

**AGENDA**  
**Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development**  
**House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development**  
**Meeting Jointly**

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**Wednesday, May 20, 2015**

**10:00 AM**

**Pope Room, Statehouse Convention Center, 100 E. Markham Street**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Sen. Ronald Caldwell, Chair  
Sen. Alan Clark, Vice Chair  
Sen. Bruce Maloch  
Sen. Gary Stubblefield  
Sen. David J. Sanders  
Sen. Eddie Cheatham  
Sen. John Cooper  
Sen. Blake Johnson

Rep. Dan M. Douglas, Chair  
Rep. David Hillman, Vice Chair  
Rep. Stephen Meeks  
Rep. Lane Jean  
Rep. Matthew J. Shepherd  
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Rep. David L. Branscum  
Rep. Sheilla E. Lampkin  
Rep. James Ratliff  
Rep. Douglas House

Rep. Mark D. McElroy  
Rep. Charles L. Armstrong  
Rep. Ken Bragg  
Rep. Andy Davis  
Rep. David Whitaker  
Rep. John Payton  
Rep. Kim Hendren  
Rep. Ron McNair  
Rep. Rick Beck  
Rep. Mathew W. Pitsch

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- A. Call to Order
- B. Welcoming Remarks by Chairs
  - 1. Representative Dan Douglas
  - 2. Senator Ronald Caldwell
- C. Overview of the Arkansas Department of Rural Services
  - Alex Johnston, Director
- D. Discussion on Current and Upcoming Agriculture Issues
  - Wes Ward, Secretary, Arkansas Agriculture Department
- E. Update on the Implementation of Act 601 “The Arkansas Grain Dealers Act” (**Exhibit E**)
  - Darryl Little, Director, Arkansas State Plant Board
- F. Discussion on Future Economic Development Projects (Amendment 82)
  - Danny Games, Deputy Director, Arkansas Economic Development Commission
- G. Introduction of the Agri Arkansas Series
  - 1. Tony Brooks, Executive Deputy Director, AETN
  - 2. Kevin Clark, Producer, AETN
  - 3. Stephanie Malone, Professional Relations Director, AETN
- H. Other Business
- I. Adjournment

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