

**SIXTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS
HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Little Rock, Arkansas
January 27, 2015

The House was called to order at 1:39 p.m. by Mr. Gillam, the Speaker. The following members answered to the roll call:

C. Armstrong, E. Armstrong, Baine, Ballinger, Baltz, Beck, Bell, Bennett, Bentley, Blake, Boyd, Bragg, Branscum, Broadaway, Brown, Collins, Copeland, Cozart, Davis, Deffenbaugh, Della Rosa, Dotson, C. Douglas, D. Douglas, Drown, Eads, Eaves, Eubanks, Farrer, D. Ferguson, K. Ferguson, Fielding, C. Fite, L. Fite, Flowers, Gates, Gonzales, Gossage, Michael Gray, Michelle Gray, Harris, Henderson, Hendren, Hickerson, Hillman, G. Hodges, M. Hodges, Holcomb, House, Jean, Jett, Johnson, Ladyman, Lampkin, Leding, Lemons, Linck, Love, Lundstrum, Magie, Mayberry, McElroy, McGill, McNair, D. Meeks, S. Meeks, Miller, Murdock, Neal, Nicks, Overbey, Payton, Petty, Pitsch, Ratliff, Richey, Richmond, Rushing, Sabin, Scott, Shepherd, Smith, Sorvillo, Speaks, Sturch, Sullivan, Talley, Tosh, Tucker, Vaught, Vines, Walker, Wallace, Wardlaw, Whitaker, Womack, Wright, Mr. Speaker.

Total98

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

Total2

A quorum was present.

Unanimous leave was granted for Representative(s) Hammer, Lowery.

The House stood and was led in prayer by House Chaplain, Reverend Tim Noel, Pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Searcy, 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.

COMMITTEE REPORT

EDUCATION	January 27, 2015
	BRUCE COZART
	CHAIRPERSON
HOUSE BILL NO. 1011	DO PASS
BY REPRESENTATIVE BELL	CONCUR IN SENATE
	AMENDMENT #1
HOUSE BILL NO. 1086	DO PASS
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRANSCUM	

COMMITTEE REPORT

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR	January 27, 2015
	KELLEY LINCK
	CHAIRPERSON
HOUSE BILL NO. 1159	DO PASS
BY REPRESENTATIVE BALTZ	

COMMITTEE REPORT

REVENUE AND TAXATION	January 27, 2015
	JOE JETT
	CHAIRPERSON
SENATE BILL NO. 6	DO PASS
BY SENATOR DISMANG	AS AMENDED #1

Upon motion of Representative Bell, **HOUSE BILL NO. 1054** was placed back on second reading for the purpose of amendment.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1054

Amend **HOUSE BILL NO. 1054** as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 28 through 31 and substitute the following:

"(20) A recording of an executive session under § 25-19-106(d) and unpublished memoranda, working papers, and correspondence of proper law enforcement authorities who request the recording of an executive session in connection with an investigation of the legality of an executive session."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 33 through 36 and substitute the following:

"SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 25-19-106(c)(2), concerning the persons who may attend an executive session of a governing body, board, commission, or other public body, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) Only the person holding the top administrative position in the public agency, department, or office involved, the immediate supervisor of the employee involved, and the employee may be present at the executive session when so requested by the governing body, board, commission, or other public body holding the executive session.

(B) Any person being interviewed for the top administrative position in the public agency, department, or office involved may be present at the executive session when so requested by the governing body, board, commission, or other public body holding the executive session.

(C)(i) The governing body, board, commission, or other public body holding an executive session may request the attendance of its legal counsel at the executive session to:

(a) Monitor compliance with this chapter during the executive session; and

(b) Provide legal advice concerning the employment, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or resignation of a public officer or employee.

(ii) Legal counsel requested to be present at an executive session under subdivision (c)(2)(C)(i) of this section shall not:

(a) Participate in the executive session in a manner other than allowed under subdivision (c)(2)(C)(i) of this section; and

(b) Discuss any other matters with the governing body, board, commission, or other public body during the executive session, including without limitation pending litigation affecting the governing body, board, commission, or other public body.

(iii) A governing body, board, commission, or other public body requesting the attendance of its legal counsel at an executive session shall announce the specific purpose of the legal counsel's attendance in public before going into executive session.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 25-19-106, concerning open public meetings, is amended to add additional subsections to read as follows:

(d)(1) A governing body, board, commission, or other public body holding an executive session under this section shall:

(A) Make an audio recording of the executive session; and

(B)(i) Retain a copy of the audio recording of the executive session for one (1) year.

(ii) The custodian of the audio recording of the executive session shall erase or destroy the audio recording after one (1) year.

(2) A governing body, board, commission, or other public body holding an executive session:

(A) Shall make only one (1) official audio recording of the executive session and shall not permit unofficial recordings of the executive session; and

(B) Shall not make a transcript of an executive session recorded under subdivision (d)(1) of this section.

(3)(A) The governing body, board, commission, or other public body holding the executive session shall designate:

(i) A member of the public body as custodian of audio recordings of executive sessions; and

(ii) A member of the public body as the alternate custodian of audio recordings of executive sessions in case the member designated under subdivision (d)(3)(A)(i) of this section is unable to take possession of an audio recording of an executive session.

(B) The custodian of a recording of an executive session shall not:

(i) Listen to the recording of the executive session; or

(ii) Permit any other person to listen to the recording of the executive session, including without limitation employees of the governing body, board, commission, or other public body.

(4)(A) A recording of an executive session under this subsection (d) is confidential and exempt from disclosure except as provided in this subsection.

(B)(i) A recording of an executive session under this subsection (d) shall be provided by the custodian of the recording only to proper law enforcement authorities who request the recording in connection with an investigation of the legality of an executive session.

(ii) A recording of an executive session shall be exempt from subpoena for any purpose other than as stated in subdivision (d)(4)(B)(i) of this section.

(5) A custodian of a recording of an executive session under this subsection (d) who knowingly discloses a recording of an executive session is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor and is not immune from civil liability for his or her actions.

(6) A member or employee of a governing body, board, commission, or other public body who listens to a recording of an executive session under this subsection (d) is guilty of a Class B misdemeanor and is not immune from civil liability for his or her actions.

(e)(1) It is an affirmative defense to prosecution for participating in an illegal executive session under this section if a member of a governing body, board, commission, or other public body attending an executive session or other person authorized to attend the executive session makes an announcement on the audio recording of the executive session produced under subsection (d) of this section that the member or person:

(i) Believes the executive session is not compliant with this chapter; and

(ii) Is leaving the executive session.

(2)(A) If a member leaves an executive session under subdivision (e)(1) of this section, he or she shall be immune from liability for any violations of this chapter that occur in the executive session of the governing body, board, commission, or other public body.

(B) Subdivision (e)(2)(A) of this section does not apply if the member of a governing body, board, commission, or other public body or other person authorized to attend the executive session initiated a discussion not compliant with this chapter before leaving the executive session.

SECTION 4. This act is effective on and after January 4, 2016."

AND

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 36.

AND

Page 3, delete line 1.

/s/ Nate Bell

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

/s/ Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk

Upon motion of Representative Mayberry, **HOUSE BILL NO. 1076** was placed back on second reading for the purpose of amendment.

AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1076

Amend **HOUSE BILL NO. 1076** as engrossed,
H1/26/15 (version: 01/26/2015 9:10:54 AM)

Add Representatives Farrer, Miller, Vaught as cosponsors of the bill

/s/ Julie Mayberry

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

/s/ Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk

Upon motion of Representative Bell, **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 Ballinger, Blake, V. Flowers as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Page 1, delete line 25, and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Findings and legislative intent.

(a) The General Assembly finds that:

(1) The State of Arkansas has a very proud and distinguished southern culture and heritage; and

(2) The state should maintain and celebrate its culture and heritage, including its military leaders, while continuing to recognize and celebrate other events and days of state and federal historical significance.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly by the enactment of this act to maintain and celebrate the state southern culture, heritage, and military leaders while continuing to honor, observe, and celebrate other days and events of state and federal historical significance.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 1-5-101(a)(2), concerning official state"

AND

Page 1, delete line 28, and substitute the following:

~~Birthday~~ — the third Monday in January;

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 1-5-106(9), concerning the Jefferson Davis Birthday memorial day to be commemorated by gubernatorial proclamation, is repealed.

~~(9) Jefferson Davis' Birthday — June 3;~~

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 1-5-106, concerning state memorial days to be commemorated by gubernatorial proclamation, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(12) Patrick Cleburne - Robert E. Lee Southern Heritage Day — November 30."

AND

Page 1, line 30, delete "SECTION 2." and substitute "SECTION 5."

/s/ Nate Bell

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

/s/ Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk

ENGROSSED BILL REPORTS

JEREMY GILLIAM, CHAIRPERSON

January 27, 2015

The following bill(s) reported correctly engrossed:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1054 BY REPRESENTATIVE BELL

HOUSE BILL NO. 1076 - TITLE - BY REPRESENTATIVE MAYBERRY

HOUSE BILL NO. 1113 - TITLE - BY REPRESENTATIVE BELL

HOUSE BILL ENGROSSED AS TITLE AMENDED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1076

BY: REPRESENTATIVES J. MAYBERRY, HAMMER, BENTLEY, SULLIVAN, WARDLAW, HENDERSON, BALTZ, COZART, LOWERY, D. MEEKS, LUNDSTRUM, SORVILLO, GATES, RICHMOND, HOUSE, WOMACK, BRANSCUM, BOYD, LEMONS, BRAGG, DROWN, BECK, HICKERSON, COLLINS, PAYTON, BROWN, COPELAND, TOSH, WALLACE, LADYMAN, RUSHING, BALLINGER, C. DOUGLAS, GONZALES, K. HENDREN, S. MEEKS, DOTSON, C. FITE, EAVES, FARRER, MILLER, VAUGHT

BY: SENATORS IRVIN, BLEDSOE, CALDWELL, COLLINS-SMITH, J. COOPER, J. DISMANG, J. ENGLISH, FLIPPO, J. HENDREN, HESTER, HICKEY, J. HUTCHINSON, B. JOHNSON, RAPERT, RICE, G. STUBBLEFIELD, E. WILLIAMS, B. KING, D. SANDERS, J. WOODS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE USE OF CERTAIN DRUGS USED TO INDUCE AN ABORTION; TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS; TO PROVIDE FOR DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS FOR ABORTIONS PERFORMED IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT; TO PROVIDE A CIVIL CAUSE OF ACTION FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ACT; TO REQUIRE PHYSICIAN REPORTING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

HOUSE BILL ENGROSSED AS TITLE AMENDED
HOUSE BILL NO. 1113

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BELL, *BALLINGER*, *BLAKE*, *V. FLOWERS*

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING OFFICIAL STATE HOLIDAYS; TO ELIMINATE THE DUAL STATUS OF THE STATE HOLIDAY CELEBRATING ROBERT E. LEE'S BIRTHDAY ON THE SAME DAY AS THE STATE HOLIDAY CELEBRATING THE BIRTHDAY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1003

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BALTZ

TO HONOR VETERAN WILLIAM J. STRAUSS FOR HIS MILITARY SERVICE DURING WORLD WAR II.

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ AND ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

Morning Hour Expired.

SENATE BILL NO. 73

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

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

AFFIRMATIVE: C. Armstrong, E. Armstrong, Baine, Ballinger, Baltz, Beck, Bell, Bennett, Bentley, Blake, Boyd, Bragg, Branscum, Broadaway, Brown, Collins, Copeland, Cozart, Davis, Deffenbaugh, Della Rosa, Dotson, C. Douglas, D. Douglas, Drown, Eads, Eaves, Eubanks, Farrer, K. Ferguson, Fielding, C. Fite, L. Fite, V. Flowers, Gates, Gonzales, Gossage, M. Gray, M.J. Gray, Harris, Henderson, K. Hendren, Hickerson, Hillman, G. Hodges, M. Hodges, Holcomb, House, Jean, Jett, Johnson, Ladyman, Lampkin, Leding, Lemons, Linck, Love, Lundstrum, Magie, J. Mayberry, McElroy, McNair, D. Meeks, S. Meeks, Miller, Murdock, Neal, Nicks, B. Overbey, Payton, Petty, Pitsch, Ratliff, Richey, Richmond, Rushing, Sabin, Scott, Shepherd, B. Smith, Sorvillo, Speaks, Sturch, Sullivan, Talley, Tosh, Tucker, Vaught, Vines, Walker, Wallace, Wardlaw, D. Whitaker, Womack, Wright.

Total	95
NEGATIVE:	
Total	0
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Hammer, Lowery, G. McGill, Mr. Speaker.	
Total	4
VOTING PRESENT: D. Ferguson.	
Total	1
Total number of votes cast.....	96
Total number voting in the affirmative	95
Necessary to the passage of the bill	75

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

There being an Emergency Clause attached to **SENATE BILL NO. 73**, the Speaker ordered the clerk to call the roll upon the adoption of the Emergency Clause. The vote was as follows:

EMERGENCY CLAUSE

AFFIRMATIVE: C. Armstrong, E. Armstrong, Baine, Ballinger, Baltz, Beck, Bell, Bennett, Bentley, Blake, Boyd, Bragg, Branscum, Broadway, Brown, Collins, Copeland, Cozart, Davis, Deffenbaugh, Della Rosa, Dotson, C. Douglas, D. Douglas, Drown, Eads, Eaves, Eubanks, Farrer, K. Ferguson, Fielding, C. Fite, L. Fite, V. Flowers, Gates, Gonzales, Gossage, M. Gray, M.J. Gray, Harris, Henderson, K. Hendren, Hickerson, Hillman, G. Hodges, M. Hodges, Holcomb, House, Jean, Jett, Johnson, Ladyman, Lampkin, Leding, Lemons, Linck, Love, Lundstrum, Magie, J. Mayberry, McElroy, McNair, D. Meeks, S. Meeks, Miller, Murdock, Neal, Nicks, B. Overbey, Payton, Petty, Pitsch, Ratliff, Richey, Richmond, Rushing, Sabin, Scott, Shepherd, B. Smith, Sorvillo, Speaks, Sturch, Sullivan, Talley, Tosh, Tucker, Vaught, Vines, Walker, Wallace, Wardlaw, D. Whitaker, Womack, Wright.

Total.....	95
NEGATIVE:	
Total.....	0
ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Hammer, Lowery, G. McGill, Mr. Speaker.	
Total.....	4
VOTING PRESENT: D. Ferguson.	
Total.....	1
Total number of votes cast.....	96
Total number voting in the affirmative.....	95
Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....	67

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

SENATE BILL NO. 74

BY: JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

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

AFFIRMATIVE: C. Armstrong, E. Armstrong, Baine, Ballinger, Baltz, Beck, Bell, Bennett, Bentley, Blake, Boyd, Bragg, Branscum, Broadway, Brown, Collins, Copeland, Cozart, Davis, Deffenbaugh, Della Rosa, Dotson, D. Douglas, Drown, Eads, Eaves, Eubanks, D. Ferguson, K. Ferguson, Fielding, C. Fite, L. Fite, V. Flowers, Gates, Gonzales, Gossage, M. Gray, M.J. Gray, Harris, Henderson, K. Hendren, Hickerson, Hillman, G. Hodges, M. Hodges, Holcomb, House, Jean, Jett, Johnson, Ladyman, Lampkin, Leding, Lemons, Linck, Love, Lundstrum, Magie, J. Mayberry, McElroy, G. McGill, McNair, D. Meeks, S. Meeks, Murdock, Neal, Nicks, B. Overbey, Petty, Pitsch, Ratliff, Richey, Richmond, Rushing, Sabin, Scott, Shepherd, B. Smith, Sorvillo, Speaks, Sturch, Sullivan, Talley, Tosh, Tucker, Vaught, Vines, Walker, Wallace, Wardlaw, D. Whitaker, Womack, Wright.

Total 93

NEGATIVE:

Total 0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: C. Douglas, Farrer, Hammer, Lowery, Payton, Mr. Speaker.

Total 6

VOTING PRESENT: Miller.

Total 1

Total number of votes cast..... 94

Total number voting in the affirmative 93

Necessary to the passage of the bill 75

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

There being an Emergency Clause attached to **SENATE BILL NO. 74**, the Speaker ordered the clerk to call the roll upon the adoption of the Emergency Clause. The vote was as follows:

EMERGENCY CLAUSE

AFFIRMATIVE: C. Armstrong, E. Armstrong, Baine, Ballinger, Baltz, Beck, Bell, Bennett, Bentley, Blake, Boyd, Bragg, Branscum, Broadway, Brown, Collins, Copeland, Cozart, Davis, Deffenbaugh, Della Rosa, Dotson, D. Douglas, Drown, Eads, Eaves, Eubanks, D. Ferguson, K. Ferguson, Fielding, C. Fite, L. Fite, V. Flowers, Gates, Gonzales, Gossage, M. Gray, M.J. Gray, Harris, Henderson, K. Hendren, Hickerson, Hillman, G. Hodges, M. Hodges, Holcomb, House, Jean, Jett, Johnson, Ladyman, Lampkin, Leding, Lemons, Linck, Love, Lundstrum, Magie, J. Mayberry, McElroy, G. McGill, McNair, D. Meeks, S. Meeks, Murdock, Neal, Nicks, B. Overbey, Petty, Pitsch, Ratliff, Richey, Richmond, Rushing, Sabin, Scott, Shepherd, B. Smith, Sorvillo, Speaks, Sturch, Sullivan, Talley, Tosh, Tucker, Vaught, Vines, Walker, Wallace, Wardlaw, D. Whitaker, Womack, Wright.

Total.....93

NEGATIVE:

Total.....0

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: C. Douglas, Farrer, Hammer, Lowery, Payton, Mr. Speaker.

Total.....6

VOTING PRESENT: Miller.

Total.....1

Total number of votes cast.....94

Total number voting in the affirmative.....93

Necessary to the adoption of the emergency clause.....67

So the Emergency Clause was adopted.

The House stood in recess at 1:56 p.m. until 1:59 p.m.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1002

BY: REPRESENTATIVE COZART

TO CONGRATULATE THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR MATHEMATICS, SCIENCES, AND THE ARTS ON BEING RANKED NUMBER TEN (10) IN THE COUNTRY BY THE DAILY BEAST IN ITS 2014 SURVEY OF "AMERICA'S TOP HIGH SCHOOLS".

THE RESOLUTION WAS READ AND ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

SENATE BILLS ORDERED RETURNED TO THE SENATE AS PASSED

SENATE BILL NO. 73

BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

SENATE BILL NO. 74

BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARKANSAS SENATE

HOUSE BILLS RETURNED FROM THE SENATE AS PASSED

HOUSE BILL NO. 1085

BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

ARKANSAS SENATE

SENATE BILLS RECEIVED FROM SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 47

BY SENATOR B. PIERCE

ENROLLED AND DELIVERY TO GOVERNOR REPORTS

Little Rock, Arkansas

January 27, 2015

MR. SPEAKER:

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1085

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 3:00 p.m. delivered them to the Governor for his approval.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jeremy Gillam

Chairperson

RECEIPT FROM THE GOVERNOR

RECEIVED FROM THE HOUSE:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1085

BY JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE

/s/ Asa Hutchinson - Governor

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

By: Angie Dover

STATE OF ARKANSAS
ASA HUTCHINSON
GOVERNOR

January 26, 2015

TO THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Dear Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that on January 26, 2015, I approved the following measures from the Regular Session of the Ninetieth General Assembly:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1018 - ACT 004
HOUSE BILL NO. 1021 - ACT 005
HOUSE BILL NO. 1033 - ACT 006
HOUSE BILL NO. 1034 - ACT 007
HOUSE BILL NO. 1037 - ACT 008

HOUSE BILL NO. 1039 - ACT 009
HOUSE BILL NO. 1046 - ACT 010
HOUSE BILL NO. 1058 - ACT 011
HOUSE BILL NO. 1060 - ACT 012

Sincerely,

/s/ Asa Hutchinson

AH:ad/es

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1173

BY: REPRESENTATIVE WOMACK

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE COUNTY AND REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY ACT; TO EXTEND THE TAX CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THE COUNTY AND REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY ACT; 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. 1174

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 HEALTH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016; 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. 1175

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BRANSCUM

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND AND UPDATE THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS ACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time. Speaker Gillam declared **HOUSE BILL NO. 1175** a shell bill and referred the bill to the Committee on Journal, Enrolled, and Engrossed Bills.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1176

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BALLINGER, RUSHING, VAUGHT, BENTLEY, HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS, SURVIVING SPOUSES, AND MINOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN; 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. 1177

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BALLINGER, BENTLEY, RUSHING, WOMACK, VAUGHT, GONZALES, HARRIS

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE NATURAL HAIR BRAIDING PROTECTION ACT; TO EXEMPT HAIR BRAIDING FROM THE COSMETOLOGY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE; 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. 1178

BY: REPRESENTATIVES PITSCH, WARDLAW, BOYD, DEFFENBAUGH, D. DOUGLAS, EUBANKS, GOSSAGE, HICKERSON, HOLCOMB, JETT, LAMPKIN, MCELROY, G. MCGILL, MURDOCK, NEAL, RATLIFF

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR A LESSEE OF AN INTERMODAL AUTHORITY IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; 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. 1179

BY: REPRESENTATIVES RATLIFF, BELL, BENNETT, COZART, D. DOUGLAS, GOSSAGE, HARRIS, HILLMAN, JETT, LAMPKIN, MCELROY, D. MEEKS, B. OVERBEY, SCOTT, TALLEY, VINES, WARDLAW

BY: SENATOR B. PIERCE

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT REGARDING THE ENGINE HORSEPOWER OF MOTORBOATS OPERATING ON THE ELEVEN POINT RIVER; 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. 1180

BY: REPRESENTATIVE VINES

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF BATTERY IN THE SECOND DEGREE; 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. 1181

BY: REPRESENTATIVE COPELAND

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE ACT EXPANSION REPEAL AND PHASE-OUT ACT OF 2015; TO REPEAL THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE ACT OF 2013; TO PROVIDE A TEMPORARY PHASE-OUT PERIOD FOR EXISTING HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE ACT ENROLLEES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; 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. 1182

BY: REPRESENTATIVE BALLINGER

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RETIREMENT AND PENSIONS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time. Speaker Gillam declared HOUSE BILL NO. 1182 a shell bill and referred the bill to the Committee on Journal, Enrolled, and Engrossed Bills.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1183

BY: REPRESENTATIVES GOSSAGE, C. ARMSTRONG, BALTZ, BELL, COZART, DEFFENBAUGH, C. DOUGLAS, EUBANKS, D. FERGUSON, M.J. GRAY, HARRIS, G. HODGES, LAMPKIN, LEDING, LINCK, LOWERY, MCELROY, MURDOCK, RATLIFF, SABIN, SORVILLO, WALKER

BY: SENATOR IRVIN

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE EACH PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL AND PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO OFFER A COURSE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE; TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW AND RECOMMEND COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSES, STANDARDS, AND PATHWAYS FOR STUDENTS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY 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. 1184

BY: REPRESENTATIVE NEAL

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING THE RATIO OF PHARMACY TECHNICIANS TO SUPERVISING PHARMACISTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Was read the first time. Speaker Gillam declared **HOUSE BILL NO. 1184** a shell bill and referred the bill to the Committee on Journal, Enrolled, and Engrossed Bills.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1005

BY: REPRESENTATIVES BOYD, BENTLEY, MAGIE, D. FERGUSON, G. HODGES

TO ENCOURAGE CONTINUED COLLABORATION BETWEEN HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, LAW ENFORCEMENT, EDUCATORS, PUBLIC OFFICIALS, AND THE ARKANSAS COMMUNITY IN BATTLING THE ABUSE OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS IN ARKANSAS.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 47

BY: SENATOR B. PIERCE

BY: REPRESENTATIVES SHEPHERD, BAINE

A BILL FOR AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING BRINE PRODUCTION; TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS OIL AND GAS COMMISSION TO FORM BRINE EXPANSION UNITS CONTAINING ONE (1) OR MORE PRODUCTION WELLS OR BRINE INJECTION WELLS; TO PROTECT THE CORRELATIVE RIGHTS OF BRINE PRODUCTION OWNERS IN BRINE EXPANSION UNITS; TO CLARIFY THAT THE FORMULA TO MAKE THE ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT TO THE IN-LIEU ROYALTY PAYMENT FOR THE PRODUCTION OF BRINE SHALL BE BASED ON THE PRODUCER PRICE INDEX FOR PROCESSED GOODS FOR INTERMEDIATE DEMAND AS PUBLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; 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.

Upon motion of Representative S. Meeks, the House adjourned at 4:41 p.m. until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 28, 2015.

ATTEST:

Jeremy Gillam
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Sherri Stacks
Chief Clerk