

AGENDA
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Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Chair
Sen. Paul Bookout, Vice Chair
Sen. Linda Chesterfield
Sen. Stephanie Flowers

Sen. David Burnett
Sen. Missy Irvin
Sen. Jonathan Dismang
Sen. Ronald Caldwell

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB802	D. Sanders	TO REGULATE MOTOR CARRIERS IN RELATION TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS.
SB813	J. Woods	CONCERNING A PRESCRIPTION FOR A TYPE OF MUSCLE RELAXANT; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF OBJECTIVE FINDINGS ENACTED BY INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948.
SB850	J. Hendren	TO REQUIRE THAT THE UNEMPLOYMENT STABILIZATION TAX SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE SEPARATE ACCOUNT OF EACH EMPLOYER; AND TO AMEND THE STABILIZATION TAX RATES FOR THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND.
SB875	Hester	TO ADJUST WEEKLY UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT AMOUNTS TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE FEDERAL NONREDUCTION RULE ON BENEFITS.
SB894	G. Stubblefield	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A LAWFUL OCCUPATION.
SB984	D. Sanders	TO PROHIBIT SEX OFFENDERS FROM PROVIDING SERVICES THROUGH THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
SB1039	Irvin	TO CREATE THE HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND PAYMENT POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
SB1112	R. Thompson	TO RESTORE THE LANGUAGE OF THE ARKANSAS CODE AS IT EXISTED BEFORE PASSAGE ACT 1040 OF 2011 CONCERNING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.
SB1116	Caldwell	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPUTATION OF FUTURE CONTRIBUTION RATES FOR EMPLOYERS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
HB1746	Clemmer	TO REQUIRE A MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDER TO WARN AN INTENDED VICTIM AND A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OF A CREDIBLE THREAT BY A PATIENT.
HB1029	D. Altes	TO PROMOTE MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT FOR ALLEGED CHILD SEX OFFENDERS AND THE VICTIM.
HB2010	J. Edwards	TO PROMOTE ADOPTION IN ARKANSAS BY PROTECTING THE PRIVACY OF THE RELINQUISHING PARENT.
SB884	S. Flowers	TO AMEND THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW; TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITIONS UNDER ARKANSAS CODE § 11-10-210.
HB1687	Branscum	TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS FOR REVIEW OF CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND THE ARKANSAS POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY COMMISSION; AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.
HB1405	Leding	TO ENSURE SMOKING TOBACCO IS PROHIBITED IN AND ON THE GROUNDS OF ALL MEDICAL FACILITIES.
SB455	Maloch	TO CLARIFY THE HEALTH INSURANCE PAYMENT PROCESS FOR ORTHOTIC DEVICES

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AND PROSTHETIC SERVICES.

HB2196	Leding	TO CLARIFY THE RIGHT OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND AN OWNER OR OPERATOR TO ACCESS PROPERTY FOR PURPOSES OF INVESTIGATION, SITE ASSESSMENT, OR CORRECTIVE ACTION.
SB936	B. Sample	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LICENSING BY THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY.
SB1157	D. Sanders	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING VOLUNTARY AND INFORMED CONSENT FOR AN ABORTION.
HB1384	Miller	TO REQUIRE THAT IN-HOME CAREGIVERS WHO ARE PAID THROUGH MEDICAID BE TESTED FOR ILLEGAL DRUG USE AND UNDERGO CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS.
HB1901	Steel	TO PROHIBIT AN EMPLOYER FROM REQUIRING OR REQUESTING A CURRENT OR PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEE FROM DISCLOSING HIS OR HER USERNAME OR PASSWORD FOR A SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNT.
HB1935	Wardlaw	TO ADDRESS LONG-TERM CARE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.
HB1968	Westerman	TO CREATE THE ACCESS TO CARE ACT.
HB2227	H. Wilkins	TO AVOID UNNECESSARY EXPANSION IN MEDICAID COSTS AND SERVICES RELATED TO EARLY INTERVENTION DAY TREATMENT FOR CHILDREN; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1497	H. Wilkins	TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO THE DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES.
HB1691	Hobbs	AMEND THE LAW REGARDING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO A VARIETY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICE PROVIDERS.
HB1886	Lea	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CERTAIN FEES UNDER THE ARKANSAS HAZMAT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT.
HB2037	Harris	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE CHILD MALTREATMENT ACT.
HB2094	Murdock	TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON SICKLE CELL DISEASE; AND TO EXTEND THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON SICKLE CELL DISEASE.
SB1122	D. Johnson	TO AMEND THE LAW GOVERNING HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS; TO EXEMPT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FROM REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS.

SHELL BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB848	J. Key	TO ALLOW THE USE OF SALINE SYSTEMS IN SWIMMING POOLS.
SB873	J. Key	TO REGULATE REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS.
SB878	Maloch	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ORTHOTICS, PROSTHETICS, AND PEDORTHICS PRACTICE ACT OF 2007.
SB888	Bledsoe	TO PROVIDE PARITY FOR MAMMOGRAPHY SERVICES REIMBURSEMENT.
SB890	Bookout	TO ADDRESS EXPANSION OF THE STATE MEDICAID PROGRAM.
SB891	Bookout	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE STATE MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND TO EXPLORE A STATE MEDICAID INSURANCE EXCHANGE.
SB893	Irvin	TO ESTABLISH THE VOLUNTEER HEALTH SERVICES ACT; AND TO ALLOW FOR LICENSED HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS TO PROVIDE VOLUNTEER SERVICES FOR A SPONSORING ORGANIZATION.
SB918	Holland	TO MANDATE ORGAN DONOR INFORMATION CONFIDENTIALITY UNLESS WAIVED BY THE DONOR; AND TO REQUIRE WAIVER OPPORTUNITY BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ORGAN DONORS AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION AS AN ORGAN DONOR.
SB937	B. Sample	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LICENSING OF THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY.
SB940	B. Sample	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LICENSING OF THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS.

SB946	J. Woods	TO CREATE A CHILD ABUSE REGISTRY WITHIN THE ARKANSAS CRIME INFORMATION CENTER.
SB954	U. Lindsey	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING SPECIALTY HOSPITALS FOR THE ASSESSMENT FEE ON HOSPITALS TO IMPROVE HEALTH CARE ACCESS LAW.
SB966	J. Dismang	TO CLARIFY THE PENALTY FOR AN INDIVIDUAL FAILING TO REPORT EMPLOYMENT OR EARNINGS WHILE RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS; AND TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR REVIEWING EARNINGS REPORTS.
SB968	Maloch	TO REGULATE PHYSICIAN DISPENSING OF LEGEND DRUGS; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD TO REGULATE PHYSICIAN DISPENSING OF LEGEND DRUGS.
SB978	J. Dismang	TO ADDRESS LONG-TERM CARE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.
SB979	J. Dismang	TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES' EMPLOYER FOLLOW-UP.
SB981	D. Sanders	PERTAINING TO THE DIVISION OF COUNTY OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.
SB982	D. Sanders	REGARDING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.
SB985	D. Sanders	TO REFORM THE STATE MEDICAID PROGRAM.
SB993	M. Lamoureux	TO CLARIFY EXCEPTIONS TO CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN PATIENTS AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.
SB994	B. Sample	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COSMETOLOGY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN LICENSES.
SB1004	A. Clark	TO REQUIRE THAT PERSONS WHO APPLY FOR OR RECEIVE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE BENEFITS TEST NEGATIVE FOR ILLEGAL DRUG USE.
SB1012	Irvin	TO ADOPT EXCEPTIONS TO CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN PATIENTS AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.
SB1019	Bookout	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW REGARDING MEDICAID.
SB1020	Bookout	CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE FOR CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.
SB1030	K. Ingram	TO ENACT THE SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS EQUITY ACT; TO PROVIDE FAIR AND APPROPRIATE TREATMENT TO VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT.
SB1036	K. Ingram	TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED §11-10-210 OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
SB1094	Elliott	CONCERNING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS; AND REGARDING TRANSFERABILITY OF CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS AND DETERMINATION LETTERS AMONG VARIOUS OPERATIONAL SECTIONS OF A SINGLE SERVICE PROVIDER.
SB1096	Elliott	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS BARBER LAW TO PROVIDE IMPROVED OVERSIGHT OF TRAINING, LICENSURE, AND RELATED ASPECTS OF THE PROFESSION.
SB1120	Hester	TO ABOLISH THE USE OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOR ENROLLMENT PURPOSES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COLLEGE OF MEDICINE.
SB1124	Irvin	CONCERNING ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAMS.
SB1128	Irvin	TO CREATE A PALLIATIVE CARE COUNCIL WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.
SB1152	D. Sanders	TO ENSURE THE INTEGRITY AND QUALITY OF MEDICAID SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.
SB1158	D. Sanders	THE ARKANSAS CONCUSSION PROTOCOL ACT.
SB1159	D. Sanders	TO REQUIRE PERSONS AND ENTITIES TO COMPLY WITH ARKANSAS TAX LAW IN ORDER TO QUALIFY AS MEDICAID PROVIDERS.
SB1161	J. Dismang	TO ADDRESS LONG-TERM CARE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.
SB1163	J. Woods	TO CREATE A PRESUMPTION THAT FIREFIGHTERS WHO DEVELOP CERTAIN FORMS OF CANCER DEVELOPED THOSE CANCERS THROUGH THEIR WORK AS FIREFIGHTERS.
SB1166	L. Chesterfield	CONCERNING THE ACCESS TO RESTROOM FACILITIES LOCATED IN PUBLIC PLACES BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

SB1167	Bledsoe	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW REGARDING PROGRAMS OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.
SB1173	Rapert	CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF EPINEPHRINE TO CHILDREN EXPERIENCING A LIFE-THREATENING ANAPHYLACTIC REACTION DUE TO FOOD ALLERGIES.
SB1186	D. Sanders	TO REQUIRE PERSONS AND ENTITIES TO COMPLY WITH ARKANSAS TAX LAW IN ORDER TO QUALIFY AS MEDICAID PROVIDERS.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB95	J. Key	AN ACT TO CERTIFY EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDERS.
SB141	Irvin	TO CLARIFY THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES OF EXISTING HOSPICE AGENCY SERVICE AREAS.
SB149	Files	TO REGULATE THE SUBSTITUTION OF BIOSIMILAR BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS FOR CERTAIN PRESCRIBED PRODUCTS.
SB750	Bookout	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HEART DISEASE AND STROKE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT TASK FORCE.
SB244	J. Dismang	TO REQUIRE MEDICAID RECIPIENTS OF SERVICES TO PROVIDE A COPY OF A CURRENT INCOME STATE INCOME TAX RETURN.
SB38	J. Hutchinson	TO REQUIRE THAT APPLICANTS FOR AND RECIPIENTS OF UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS BE TESTED FOR ILLEGAL DRUG USE.
SB248	D. Sanders	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FRAUD PREVENTION PROGRAM AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FRAUD PREVENTION PROGRAM.
SB912	L. Chesterfield	CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO MENTAL OR PHYSICAL ABUSE, WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.
HB1356	Scott	TO REQUIRE REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF A CHIROPRACTOR CONVICTED OF A SEX CRIME; TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF PATIENTS OF CHIROPRACTORS FOUND GUILTY OF SEX CRIMES BY REQUIRING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS.
SB386	Burnett	TO REQUIRE THAT THERAPEUTICALLY EQUIVALENT DRUG SUBSTITUTIONS BE AUTHORIZED ON EACH PRESCRIPTION.
SB255	B. King	THE ARKANSAS WATER ADDITIVE ACCOUNTABILITY ACT.
HB1772	D. Douglas	TO INCREASE THE INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL PERMIT FEE.
SB913	Irvin	TO REGULATE THE USE OF CERTAIN DRUGS USED TO INDUCE AN ABORTION; AND TO PROVIDE FOR DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS FOR ABORTIONS PERFORMED IN VIOLATION OF THIS ACT.