

**REVISED 05-13-15 AGENDA**  
**Arkansas Legislative Council**

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**Friday, May 15, 2015**  
**09:00 AM**  
**Room A, MAC**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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- A. Call to Order.
  - B. Roll Call.
  - C. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meetings:
    - 1. December 19, 2014;
    - 2. April 22, 2015.
  - D. Presentation of the Monthly Revenue Reports — Richard Wilson, Assistant Director Bureau of Legislative Research.
    - 1. Monthly Revenue Report for March 2015;
    - 2. Monthly Revenue Report for April 2015.
  - E. Report of the Executive Subcommittee—**Rep. Branscum, Sen. Sample**, Co-Chairs.
  - F. Reports of Standing Committees:
    - 1. Administrative Rules and Regulations—**Rep. Davis, Sen. Sanders Co-Chairs**;
    - 2. Charitable, Penal & Correctional Institutions—**Rep. Fielding, Sen. Caldwell**, Co-Chairs;
    - 3. Claims Review—**Rep. Ballinger, Sen. Hutchinson**, Co-Chairs;
    - 4. Game and Fish/State Police—**Rep. Miller, Sen. Pierce**, Co-Chairs;
    - 5. Higher Education—**Rep. Leding, Sen. Rapert**, Co-Chairs;
    - 6. Hospital and Medicaid—**Rep. Farrer, Sen. Ingram**, Co-Chairs;
    - 7. Litigation Reports Oversight—**Rep. Wright, Sen. D. Johnson**, Co-Chairs;
    - 8. Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review—**Rep. D. Meeks, Sen. Maloch**, Co-Chairs;
    - 9. Policy-Making—**Rep. McGill, Sen. Clark**, Co-Chairs;
    - 10. Review—**Rep. Wardlaw, Sen. Hester**, Co-Chairs;
    - 11. Uniform Personnel Classification and Compensation Plan—**Rep. L. Fite, Sen. Lindsey**, Co-Chairs;
    - 12. Lottery Oversight Subcommittee—**Rep. Richey, Sen. Hickey**, Co-Chairs.
  - G. Reports of Interim or Special Committees.
  - H. Review of Communications:
    - 1. **Arkansas Board of Parole**, Monthly performance report on parole applications and outcome for April 2015 (reports for December 2014, January 2015, February 2015, and March 2015 retained in file), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 16-93-210;

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2. **Arkansas Building Authority:**
  - a. Monthly performance report pertaining to capital improvement activities (design review and construction) for April 2015 (reports for December 2014, January 2015, February 2015, and March 2015 retained in file), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-2-108(13);
  - b. Quarterly Report of real property and natural resources conveyances for the period ending March 31, 2015 (report for the period ending December 31, 2014 retained in file), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-6-117;
3. **Arkansas Child Death Review Panel**, Annual Report, dated December 2014, for the Arkansas Infant and Child Death Review Program, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 20-27-1707;
4. **Arkansas Code Revision Commission**, Report of proposed legislative corrections from the 2014 Fiscal Session, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 1-2-303(c)(2);
5. **Arkansas Deaf and Hearing Impaired Telecommunications Services Corporation**, 2014 Annual Activity Report, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 25-29-110;
6. **Arkansas Development Finance Authority**, Request for the Legislative Council's review of the following Program Fact Sheets, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 15-5-212(b):
  - a. Program Fact Sheet CY2015DF002, Higher Education General Obligation Bonds refunding Series 2015;
  - b. Program Fact Sheet CY2015DF003, Maumelle Foundation for Education, Inc./Academics Plus Charter School Project Capital Improvement Revenue and Refunding Bonds;
  - c. Program Fact Sheet CY2015DF004, Baptist Memorial Health Care, Health Care Revenue Bonds;
7. **Arkansas Forestry Commission**, Monthly activity report for April 2015 (reports for December 2014, January 2015, February 2015, March 2015 retained in file), submitted pursuant to Section 48 of Act 59 of the 2014 Fiscal Session;
8. **Arkansas Insurance Department**, Annual Report on Use and Impact of Credit in Personal Lines Insurance Premiums, dated May 6, 2015, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 23-67-415;
9. **Arkansas Lifeline Individual Verification Effort Board**, 2014 Annual Activity Report, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 23-16-413;
10. **Arkansas Oil and Gas Commission**, Quarterly report of regulatory and enforcement actions or activities involving the Fayetteville Shale for the period ending March 31, 2015, submitted pursuant to Section 7 of Act 174 of the 2014 Fiscal Session;
11. **Arkansas Securities Department**, Quarterly report of all funds received or any external fund transactions recognized or required through court orders or settlement agreements through March 26, 2015, submitted pursuant to Section 7 of Act 269 of the 2014 Fiscal Session;
12. **Arkansas State Police**, Monthly activity report for April 2015 (reports for December 2014, January 2015, February 2015, and March 2015 retained in file) regarding activity and condition of the Uniformed Employee Health Insurance Plan, submitted pursuant to Section 19 of Act 267 of the 2014 Fiscal Session;

13. **Arkansas Teacher Retirement System:**
  - a. Request for the Legislative Council's retrospective review of the imminent need partial equity ownership investments, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 19-11-1303, with the following:
    - (1) EnCap Energy Capital Fund X, L.P.; and
    - (2) Lone Star Real Estate Fund IV, L.P.;
  - b. Request for the Legislative Council's review of the partial equity ownership investments, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 19-11-1302 with the following:
    - (1) Circumference Group Core Value Fund, L.P.;
    - (2) Circumference Group Concentrated Positions Fund, L.P.; and
    - (3) Franklin Park Co-Investment Fund, L.P.;
  - c. 2014 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2014, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 24-7-305(e)(3);
14. **Capitol Zoning District Commission**, Monthly activity report for April 2015 (reports for December 2014, January 2015, February 2015, and March 2015 retained in file), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-3-311;
15. **Department of Community Correction**, Monthly report on the Community Correction Centers' population totals and Parole and Probation Services' caseload information as of May 4, 2015 (reports for January 5, 2015, February 9, 2015, March 9, 2015, and April 6, 2015 retained in file);
16. **Department of Correction**, Monthly Statewide Population Report as of May 4, 2015 (reports for January 5, 2015, February 9, 2015, March 9, 2015, and April 6, 2015 retained in file);
17. **Department of Environmental Quality:**
  - a. Quarterly report of regulatory and enforcement actions or activities involving the Fayetteville Shale for the period ending March 31, 2015, submitted pursuant to Section 43 of Act 274 of the 2014 Fiscal Session;
  - b. Quarterly report of permits, permit fees, enforcement actions, and pending rulemaking activities and justifications for the period ending March 31, 2015 (report for period ending December 31, 2014 retained in file), submitted pursuant to Section 38 of Act 274 of the 2014 Fiscal Session;
18. **Department of Finance and Administration,**
  - a. Monthly General Revenue Report for April 2015 (reports for December 2014, January 2015, and February 2015, and March 2015 retained in file);
  - b. Annual Alternative Fuel Vehicle Report for the period of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 19-11-217(c)(2)(B);
  - c. State Procurement Semiannual Report of Contracts with Minority-Owned Businesses ending December 31, 2014, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 25-36-104(b);
  - d. Semi-Annual Report on the Child Support Enforcement Program for the period ending December 31, 2014, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 25-10-118;
  - e. Request for the Legislative Council's review of the contract between the Arkansas State Police and JSJ Ford, DBA Allison Ford Lincoln Co., submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 19-11-264;
  - f. Employee-Relative Disclosure Report for quarter ending 03-31-15, submitted pursuant to Executive Order 98-04.

19. **Arkansas Department of Health**, Request, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 21-1-402(b), for the Legislative Council's approval to employ spouse of a member of the General Assembly for the following positions:
  - a. James H. Bledsoe for the part-time position of Chief Physician Specialist to become the Medical Consultant for the Emergency Medical Services Section; and
  - b. ShaRhonda Love for the position of School Health Director, Section Chief III;
20. **Arkansas Department of Health, Department of Human Services, and State Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board**, Report on the Outcomes Measurements Plan for the Home Visiting Program, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 20-78-907(b)(1);
21. **Department of Higher Education**, Request for the Legislative Council's review of the distribution of \$299,374.96 from the Research Development Fund to the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville for expenses associated with the Arkansas Research and Education Optical Network (ARE-ON), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 6-61-808;
22. **Department of Human Services:**
  - a. **DHS Division of Children and Family Services**, Monthly report of out-of-state placements for April 2015 (reports for December 2014, January 2015, February 2015, and March 2015 retained in file), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 20-46-106;
  - b. **DHS Division of Medical Services**, Monthly report of Medicaid in-state and out-of-state inpatient psychiatric placements for April 2015 (reports for December 2014, January 2015, February 2015, and March 2015 retained in file), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 20-46-105;
  - c. **DHS Director's Office**, Semi-Annual Voter Registration Report for the period ending December 31, 2014, submitted pursuant to Section 8(b) of Amendment 51 to the Arkansas Constitution;
23. **Department of Information Systems:**
  - a. Semi-Annual report of the activities and operations of the State Broadband Manager for the period ending December 31, 2014, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 25-4-125(b)(4)(B);
  - b. Quarterly Advice and Recommendations Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2015, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 25-4-106;
24. **Department of Workforce Services**, Quarterly Reports for the quarter ending December 31, 2014 on the Unemployment Insurance Administration Fund, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 19-5-1232, the Workforce Services Training Fund, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 19-5-1131, and the Special Fund, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 19-5-984;
25. **Governor's Mansion**, Annual Fixed Housing Allowance Report for 2014 submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-3-802;
26. **Office of Medicaid Inspector General**, April 2015 accountability statement of referrals, audits, investigations, and recoveries, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 20-77-2509(e);
27. **Public Service Commission:**
  - a. Quarterly Report of Rate Cases for the quarter ending March 31, 2015 (report for the quarter ending December 31, 2014 retained in file), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 23-4-420;
  - b. Quarterly report of the Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund (ETFF) for the quarter ending March 31, 2015 (report for the quarter ending December 31, 2014 retained in file), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 23-17-404;

28. **State Highway and Transportation Department**, Quarterly Expenditures Status Report for the period ending March 31, 2015 (report for the period ending December 31, 2014 retained in file), submitted pursuant to Section 12 of Act 277 of the 2014 Fiscal Session;
29. **Treasurer of State**, Semi-Annual report of liquidity, return on investment, financial transactions, and safekeeping items for the State Treasury for the period ending December 31, 2014, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 19-3-504(b)(2) (complete 350-page report submitted in CD format and retained in file).
30. **University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS)**, Annual Report for 2014 to the Governor on the Arkansas Rural Medical Practice Student Loan and Scholarship Program and the Community Match Physicians Recruitment Program, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 6-81-711.

I. New Business:

1. Report to the Legislative Council of the emergency review and approval of the Arkansas Department of Rural Services' Rural Community Development Grants and County Fair Building Grants for Cycle III of Fiscal Year 2015;
2. Report to the Legislative Council of the emergency review and approval of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality's request for Special Entry Rates for Candidates for the Air Division Manager and the Assistant Air Division Manager;
3. Report to the Legislative Council of the emergency review and approval of the consultant services contract between IHS Global, Inc. and the Bureau of Legislative Research.
4. Discussion of live streaming of the meeting of the Health Reform Legislative Task Force.

J. New Interim Study Proposals and Interim Resolutions:

1. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-001, by Senator Jeremy Hutchinson**, requesting that the Arkansas Legislative Council refer to the Senate State Agencies Committee an interim study to evaluate the current occupational licensing practices within existing state boards and commissions and the feasibility of consolidating existing practices in order to create a single state licensing agency;
2. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-005, by Representative James Sturch**, requesting the Legislative Council direct the House Committee on Education to conduct a study of the need for and benefit of having a school psychology specialist employed in school districts;
3. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-009, by Senator Jon Woods**, that the Arkansas Legislative Council study the possibility of state regulation of interscholastic activities in lieu of regulation by the AAA, including without limitation the possibility of charging the Department of Education with regulating interscholastic activities;
4. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-030, by Representative David Whitaker**, that the Arkansas Legislative Council refer to the House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor this proposal to encourage antibiotic stewardship programs throughout the state;
5. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-047, by Representative Donnie Copeland**, that the Arkansas Legislative Council refer to the House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor this proposal to study immunization requirements for adult employees of a private hospital, medical facility, or private employer and make recommendations for future legislation;

6. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-104 (H. B. 1619), by Representative Brent Talley**, an act permitting the operation of a 911 emergency response system by a private entity.
7. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-113 (H. B. 1734), by Representative Jim Dotson**, to promote the free market competition of student course materials; and to prohibit the cost of student course materials from being added to a student's billing account.
8. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-127 (H. B. 1142), by Representative Charlotte V. Douglas**, an act to create the Arkansas Surgical Technologists Act and to establish the registration of surgical technologists;
9. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-128 (H. B. 1451), by Representative Charlotte V. Douglas**, an act to amend definitions used for purposes of sales and use taxes and to exclude manufacturer rebates on motor vehicles from the definitions used for purposes of determining sales and use taxes;
10. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-129 (H. B. 1631), by Representative Charlotte V. Douglas**, an act concerning the award of alimony and modification of an award of alimony in a divorce case where domestic abuse has occurred;
11. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-130 (H. B. 1632), by Representative Charlotte V. Douglas**, an act to regulate insurance claim practices involving domestic abuse;
12. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-131 (H. B. 1684), by Representative Charlotte V. Douglas**, an act to establish a public database for persons convicted of a serious domestic offense and to create a criminal offense for noncompliance with certain requirements;
13. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-132 (H. B. 1741), by Representative Charlotte V. Douglas**, an act concerning the Governor's ability to pardon, commute a sentence, or grant clemency when a convicted felon has a terminal medical diagnosis;
14. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-133 (H. B. 1929), by Representative Charlotte V. Douglas**, an act concerning the sentences of life and life without the possibility of parole for the commission of a criminal offense;
15. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-134 (H. B. 1933), by Representative Charlotte V. Douglas**, an act concerning medical release of an inmate from the Department of Correction;
16. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-135, by Representative Justin Boyd**, that the Arkansas Legislative Council refer to the House Committee on Judiciary a request to study the circumstances concerning and procedures for fingerprinting and photographing a juvenile for law enforcement purposes, as well as the requirements and process for sealing or expunging those records;
17. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-136, by Senator Bryan King**, to transfer the administration of rice assessments to the Secretary of the Arkansas Agriculture Department and to allow for the employment or retention of auditors to monitor rice assessments;
18. **Interim Study Proposal 2015-137, by Senator Bryan King**, an act to transfer the Division of County Operations from the Department of Human Services;

**19. Interim Resolution 2015-002, by Representative Greg Leding**, that the Arkansas Legislative Council designate the Month of May 2015 as "Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month" in Arkansas.

K. Adjournment.