AGENDA

Senate Committee on City, County, and Local Affairs House Committee on City, County, and Local Affairs Meeting Jointly

Wednesday, August 9, 2023 3:30 PM Rogers Convention Center, 3303 S Pinnacle Hills Pkwy Rogers, Arkansas

Sen. Scott Flippo, Chair	Rep. Lanny Fite, Chair	Rep. Richard McGrew
Sen. Terry Rice, Vice-Chair	Rep. Milton Nicks, Jr., Vice-Chair	Rep. David Ray
Sen. Gary Stubblefield	Rep. Mike Holcomb	Rep. Ashley Hudson
Sen. Kim Hammer	Rep. David Whitaker	Rep. Wayne Long
Sen. Dan Sullivan	Rep. Frances Cavenaugh	Rep. Bart Schulz
Sen. Matt McKee	Rep. Johnny Rye	Rep. Rebecca Burkes
Sen. Jim Petty	Rep. Carol Dalby	Rep. Mindy McAlindon
Sen. Joshua Bryant	Rep. Stan Berry	Rep. R. Scott Richardson
	Rep. Andrew Collins	Rep. DeAnna Hodges
	Rep. Tippi McCullough	Rep. Wade Andrews

- A. Call to Order
- B. Consideration to Approve the Minutes from the June 14, 2023, Meeting [Exhibit B]
- C. Welcome Remarks
 - Chris Villines, Executive Director, Association of Arkansas Counties (AAC)
- D. Local Government Response to Crypto Mining Issues
 - 1. Chris Villines, Executive Director, AAC
 - 2. Mark Whitmore, Chief Counsel, AAC
 - 3. John Wilkerson, General Counsel, Arkansas Municipal League
 - 4. Blake Gary, Legal Counsel, Arkansas Municipal League
- E. Discussion of Entergy Arkansas' Rate Schedule for Crypto Mining Facilities
 - John Bethel, Director of Public Affairs, Entergy Arkansas
- F. Discussion of Crypto Mining and Act 851 of 2023: An Act to Create the Arkansas Data Centers Act of 2023; To clarify the regulation of the digital asset of mining business; and for other purposes. **[Exhibit F]**
 - 1. Cameron Baker, Managing Member, Cryptic Farms
 - 2. Tom Harford, Founder and Board Member, Arkansas Blockchain Council
- G. Business Registration Process for Crypto Mining Facilities
 - Jaime Land, Director of Public Relations, Arkansas Secretary of State's Office
- H. Consideration for Adoption of Interim Study Proposal (ISP)
 - ISP 2023-014 by Senator Bryan King An Act to Repeal the Arkansas Data Centers Act of 2023; and for other purposes. **[Exhibit H]**

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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- I. Other Business
- J. Adjournment

Refreshments Available to All in Attendance