

AGENDA
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15 MINUTES UPON ADJOURNMENT OF SENATE
Room 272, State Capitol
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Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Chair
Sen. Eddie Cheatham, Vice-Chair
Sen. Stephanie Flowers
Sen. Missy Irvin

Sen. David J. Sanders
Sen. John Cooper
Sen. Scott Flippo
Sen. Lance Eads

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB311	B. Johnson	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT OF 2006; TO ALLOW PRIVATELY OWNED BUSINESSES THE OPTION TO PROHIBIT SMOKING.
SB355	B. King	TO TERMINATE THE MEDICAID EXPANSION PROGRAM, ALSO KNOWN AS THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM WHICH IS COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE "PRIVATE OPTION" AND THE ARKANSAS WORKS PROGRAM.
HB1183	Dotson	TO PROVIDE CONSISTENCY AND EFFICIENCY OF CHIROPRACTIC COVERAGE IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM; AND TO ALLOW MEDICAID RECIPIENTS DIRECT ACCESS TO A CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN WITHOUT REFERRAL FROM A PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN.
SB434	B. King	TO REMOVE THE ENROLLMENT CAPS IN THE LIVING CHOICES ASSISTED LIVING MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAM.
SB488	A. Clark	TO PROVIDE GRANTS FOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES IN GAMBLING DISORDER PREVENTION, TREATMENT, COUNSELING, AND EDUCATION; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1550	Davis	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING NONMUNICIPAL DOMESTIC SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS AND THE NONMUNICIPAL DOMESTIC SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS TRUST FUND.
SB285	E. Cheatham	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT OF 2006 TO INCLUDE USE OF AN ELECTRONIC CIGARETTE WITHIN THE DEFINITIONS OF SMOKING AND SECONDHAND SMOKE.
SB524	J. Hutchinson	TO AMEND THE POWERS OF THE HVACR LICENSING BOARD; AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE LICENSING OF HVACR WORKERS.
SB238	Rapert	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016; AND TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION UNTIL THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE LEGALIZATION OF MARIJUANA IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.
SB615	Bond	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BIRTH REGISTRATIONS AND NEW CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH.
SB641	Rapert	TO REQUIRE A HEALTH INSURER TO REIMBURSE FOR MEDICAL SERVICES AND MEDICAL DEVICES THAT THE FEDERAL MEDICARE PROGRAM HAS DETERMINED ARE NO LONGER EXPERIMENTAL OR INVESTIGATIONAL IN NATURE.
SB649	Teague	TO ESTABLISH AN AMBULANCE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND TIMELINESS OF MEDICAL TRANSPORTS IN ARKANSAS.
SB652	D. Sanders	TO ESTABLISH THE RIGHTS GUARANTEED TO EMPLOYERS TO DETERMINE THE MEDICAL PROVIDER FOR INJURIES UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW FROM INITIATED MEASURE 1948, NO 13.
SB654	D. Sanders	TO CREATE THE VOLUNTARY ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM TO REWARD ORGANIZATIONS THAT USE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLANS AND DEMONSTRATE EXCEPTIONAL, SUSTAINED ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE.

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[SB674](#) Irvin TO CLARIFY CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 98, ALSO KNOWN AS THE "ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016".

[SB675](#) Irvin TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PAYMENT AND REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURES UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW; AND TO CLARIFY THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE PAYMENT FOR A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER CALCULATED UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW.

[SB682](#) D. Sanders TO CLARIFY WORKERS' COMPENSATION DEATH AND PERMANENT TOTAL DISABILITY PAYMENTS UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT NO.4 OF 1948

[SB696](#) Hester TO PROVIDE FOR CLARIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 98, ALSO KNOWN AS THE "ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016".

[SB704](#) Elliott TO AMEND THE CHRONIC INTRACTABLE PAIN TREATMENT ACT, ARKANSAS CODE § 17-95-701 ET SEQ.; AND TO PROVIDE GREATER FLEXIBILITY IN TREATING SICKLE CELL DISEASE TO PHYSICIANS.

[SB717](#) Irvin TO AMEND THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW ENACTED BY INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; TO AMEND REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURES; AND TO CLARIFY THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE PAYMENT CALCULATED UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW.

[SB721](#) Rapert TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016 TO REQUIRE A DISPENSARY TO MAKE VAPORIZERS AVAILABLE FOR SALE TO QUALIFYING PATIENTS AND TO APPOINT A PHARMACIST DIRECTOR.

[SB722](#) Rapert TO ENACT CERTAIN PROHIBITIONS REGARDING MEDICAL MARIJUANA.

[SB730](#) Elliott TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BARBERS.

[SB733](#) A. Clark TO ESTABLISH THE CHILD WELFARE NETWORK HOTLINE AND CHILD WELFARE NETWORK MISCONDUCT REGISTRY.

[SB735](#) A. Clark TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF A NAME ON THE CHILD MALTREATMENT CENTRAL REGISTRY.

[SB744](#) D. Sanders CONCERNING THE REPORTING OF CERTAIN DISEASES.

[SB745](#) Flippo TO PROHIBIT THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND STATE EMPLOYEES FROM FACILITATING OR PAYING FOR ABORTIONS ON WOMEN WHO ARE IN STATE CUSTODY.

[SB755](#) J. Hendren TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTHY CENTURY TRUST FUND; AND TO AMEND INITIATED ACT 1 OF 2000, ALSO KNOWN AS THE TOBACCO SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS ACT.

[SB764](#) Irvin TO ESTABLISH A STROKE REGISTRY.

[SB779](#) Bledsoe TO AUTOMATE AND COORDINATE THE LONG-TERM CARE AND ADULT MALTREATMENT AND CHILD MALTREATMENT REGISTRIES TO CREATE GREATER EFFICIENCIES TO IMPROVE PROCESSING TIMES AND CONSISTENCY IN PROCESSES.

[SB593](#) J. Cooper TO REFORM THE HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM WITHIN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIAGNOSES AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.

[SB678](#) Irvin TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PEER REVIEW FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS.

[SB786](#) K. Ingram TO CREATE AN INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE REGARDING RESPITE CARE SERVICES IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.

[HB1613](#) Barker TO EXEMPT A LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN FROM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR ADULT MALTREATMENT, LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY RESIDENT MALTREATMENT.

[HB1851](#) Hammer TO AUTHORIZE A REGISTERED NURSE EMPLOYED BY HOSPICE TO SIGN THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATION OF DEATH AND PRONOUNCE DEATH FOR A PATIENT WHO IS RECEIVING HOSPICE SERVICES AND WHO DIES AS A HOSPICE PATIENT IN A HOSPITAL.

[HB1465](#) Miller TO CREATE THE MEDICAID EXPANSION ENROLLMENT FREEZE ACT OF 2017; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

[HB1371](#) House TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016; AND TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS CONCERNING OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN DISPENSARIES AND CULTIVATION FACILITIES.

HB1160	A. Mayberry	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A "SPECIALIST SIGN ELECTRICIAN".
HB1933	C. Fite	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP AND POWERS OF THE CHILD DEATH AND NEAR FATALITY MULTIDISCIPLINARY REVIEW COMMITTEE; AND TO AMEND THE EXPIRATION DATE OF ACTS 2015, NO. 1245.
HB2108	Johnson	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE REQUIRED FOR A CONTRACTOR.
HB2177	McCollum	TO CLARIFY THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES OF THE FEDERAL REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO POST-ELIGIBILITY TREATMENT OF INCOME OF INSTITUTIONALIZED INDIVIDUALS OF LONG- TERM CARE MEDICAID.
HB2216	McCollum	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS OF CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES.

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HB1437	D. Ferguson	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING TELEMEDICINE; AND TO CREATE THE TELEMEDICINE ACT.
SB109	J. Hutchinson	TO AMEND AND UPDATE THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS ACT.
SB171	G. Stubblefield	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY REMOVING SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS.
SB350	B. Sample	TO REQUIRE THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES TO ACCOMMODATE A PHYSICIAN REQUIRED TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATION TO MAINTAIN OR OBTAIN A SPECIALTY PRACTICE OF MEDICINE TO COUNTERACT THE PHYSICIAN SHORTAGE.
SB302	Irvin	TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM; AND TO REQUIRE PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS TO PROMULGATE RULES REQUIRING PRACTITIONERS TO ACCESS THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM.
SB603	Files	TO PROVIDE NECESSARY MEDICAID FUNDING TO COVER INCREASES IN COSTS INCURRED BY RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES AND ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB604	Files	TO ESTABLISH THE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT ADEQUACY COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE FOR REGULAR REVIEWS OF MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT METHODOLOGIES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1035	Bentley	TO RESTRICT PURCHASES USING FOOD STAMP BENEFITS; AND TO REQUIRE RECIPIENTS OF FOOD STAMPS TO SHOW IDENTIFICATION TO USE FOOD STAMP BENEFITS.
SB439	Teague	CONCERNING FUNDS RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES UNDER THE OLDER AMERICANS ACT OF 1965.
SB756	J. Cooper	TO IMPLEMENT COST SAVINGS AND MANAGE GROWTH IN OUTPATIENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS DURING THE PERIOD OF TRANSITION TO PROVIDER-LED ORGANIZED CARE.