

AGENDA
Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor
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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
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.
SB439	Teague	CONCERNING FUNDS RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES UNDER THE OLDER AMERICANS ACT OF 1965.
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.
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.
SB674	J. Hutchinson	TO CLARIFY CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016 REGARDING FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF CULTIVATION FACILITIES.
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.
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.

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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.
SB722	Rapert	TO ENACT CERTAIN PROHIBITIONS REGARDING MEDICAL MARIJUANA.
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.
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.
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.
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.
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.
HB2150	Penzo	TO CREATE AN INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP).
HB2011	M. Gray	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016; AND TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN SECURITY AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR CULTIVATION FACILITIES LICENSED IN THIS STATE.
HB2016	Brown	TO EXEMPT WHEELCHAIR TRANSPORTATION FROM LICENSURE AS AN AMBULANCE; AND TO PRESERVE AND ENHANCE ACCESS TO TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FOR THE STATE'S MEDICAL PATIENTS.
HB2178	McCollum	TO ADOPT THE FEDERAL RESOURCE LIMITS FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP).
HB2190	Penzo	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 CONSULTANT.
HB1714	Petty	ACT TO PERMIT THE OPERATION OF MOBILE SALONS; AND TO CREATE A LICENSING PROCEDURE CONCERNING MOBILE SALONS.
HB1991	Lundstrum	TO ENACT CERTAIN PROHIBITIONS REGARDING MEDICAL MARIJUANA; AND TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016 REGARDING THE RULES INVOLVING PACKAGING, LABELING, AND DOSING OF USABLE MARIJUANA.

HB2004	G. Hodges	TO REQUIRE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND THE OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT REGARDING SNAP ELIGIBILITY.
HB2083	Petty	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR A LONG-TERM CARE EMPLOYEE TO CLARIFY THAT EXPUNGED, PARDONED, OR OTHERWISE SEALED OFFENSES WILL NOT DISQUALIFY AN INDIVIDUAL FROM EMPLOYMENT IN A LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY.
HB2159	Womack	TO PROVIDE FOR OVERSIGHT OF STATE OCCUPATIONAL REGULATIONS; AND TO CREATE THE OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE.
SB488	A. Clark	TO PROVIDE GRANTS FOR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES IN GAMBLING DISORDER PREVENTION, TREATMENT, COUNSELING, AND EDUCATION; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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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.
SB311	B. Johnson	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT OF 2006; TO ALLOW PRIVATELY OWNED BUSINESSES THE OPTION TO PROHIBIT SMOKING.
SB696	Hester	TO PROVIDE FOR CLARIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 98, ALSO KNOWN AS THE "ARKANSAS MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT OF 2016".