

AGENDA
Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor

Wednesday, March 29, 2023
15 Minutes Upon Adjournment
Room 272, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Missy Irvin, Chair
Sen. Dan Sullivan, Vice-Chair
Sen. Scott Flippo
Sen. David Wallace

Sen. Bryan King
Sen. Clint Penzo
Sen. Justin Boyd
Sen. Fredrick J. Love

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB298	K. Hammer	TO ESTABLISH SALARY BASES FOR NURSING PROGRAM FACULTY.
SB300	K. Hammer	TO CREATE A DATA REPOSITORY TO COLLECT, REPORT, TRACK, AND TREND DATA REGARDING NURSING EDUCATION AND NURSING WORKFORCES IN ARKANSAS.
SB301	K. Hammer	TO SET CERTAIN AMOUNTS OF CLINICAL HOURS FOR NURSING STUDENTS IN CERTAIN DEGREE PROGRAMS.
SB302	K. Hammer	TO CREATE THE CLINICAL NURSE EDUCATION PORTAL.
HB1189	Clowney	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS BEHAVIOR ANALYST LICENSURE ACT.
HB1452	Gonzales	TO REQUIRE HOSPITALS IN THIS STATE TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL HOSPITAL PRICING TRANSPARENCY REGULATIONS; AND TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ENFORCE COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL HOSPITAL PRICING TRANSPARENCY REGULATIONS.
HB1129	L. Johnson	TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM AND INSURANCE POLICIES TO REIMBURSE FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED IN CERTAIN SETTINGS.
SB392	B. Davis	AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BODY ART; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COSMETOLOGY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
HB1462	Scott	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING YOUTHS IN FOSTER CARE; AND TO CERTIFY UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTHS.
HB1509	J. Mayberry	TO AMEND THE NO PATIENT LEFT ALONE ACT; TO REQUIRE OUTPATIENT FACILITIES TO COMPLY WITH VISITATION AND SUPPORT PERSON REQUIREMENTS; AND TO ADD PENALTIES FOR A VIOLATION OF THE NO PATIENT LEFT ALONE ACT.
HB1565	Vaught	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE STUDY ON MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH.
HB1562	Schulz	TO AMEND THE NALOXONE ACCESS ACT; TO INCREASE AVAILABILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF AN OPIOID ANTAGONIST; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1575	Burkes	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS REEMPLOYMENT ACT.
HB1385	Vaught	TO ENSURE THAT HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS ARE PROPERLY REIMBURSED BY THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR PROVIDING LONG-ACTING REVERSIBLE CONTRACEPTION IMMEDIATELY AND DURING POSTPARTUM.

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HB1009	Pilkington	TO ESTABLISH THE NONEMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION RIDESHARE EXPANSION STUDY WORKGROUP TO STUDY EXPANDING RIDESHARE SERVICES COVERED BY THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
HB1543	Ennett	TO AMEND THE CEMETERY ACT FOR PERPETUALLY MAINTAINED CEMETERIES; AND TO MODIFY THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS, FUNERAL DIRECTORS, CEMETERIES, AND BURIAL SERVICES.
HB1006	Pilkington	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING EMPLOYMENT; AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN EMPLOYERS TO PROVIDE PAID MATERNITY LEAVE.
HB1446	Cavanaugh	TO PROVIDE STATE OVERSIGHT OF QUALITY OF CARE PROVIDED TO CHILDREN IN PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES AND OTHER REGULATED FACILITIES.
HB1580	Warren	TO EXEMPT COSMETOLOGISTS FROM LICENSING RESTRICTIONS BASED ON CRIMINAL RECORDS.

INACTIVE BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB92	K. Hammer	TO SET THE REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS WITHIN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
SB113	B. Davis	TO ENSURE THAT HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS ARE PROPERLY REIMBURSED BY THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR PROVIDING LONG-ACTING REVERSIBLE CONTRACEPTION IMMEDIATELY AND DURING POSTPARTUM.
SB130	C. Penzo	TO REMOVE THE REIMBURSEMENT CAP ON PEDIATRIC BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT SERVICES WITHIN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
SB139	J. Bryant	TO REQUIRE THAT THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM COVER AUTHORIZED PRESCRIPTION DIGITAL THERAPEUTICS.
SB278	B. King	TO TERMINATE THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME PROGRAM; AND TO TRANSFER ALL BENEFICIARIES IN THE ARKANSAS HOME AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME PROGRAM TO THE TRADITIONAL ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.

BILLS PENDING FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB465	J. Dotson	TO CREATE THE CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND TO AMEND THE LIFE CHOICES LIFELINE PROGRAM TO CLARIFY LANGUAGE AND ENSURE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1334	T. Shephard	TO CREATE THE RESTROOM ACCESS ACT; AND TO ALLOW RESTROOM ACCESS TO CUSTOMERS WITH CERTAIN ELIGIBLE MEDICAL CONDITIONS.
SB289	C. Penzo	TO AMEND THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW; AND TO AMEND AN EXCLUSION FROM THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYMENT" WITHIN THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
HB1449	K. Ferguson	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING LIFETIME LICENSES UNDER THE COSMETOLOGY ACT.

SB82	D. Sullivan	TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "OPHTHALMIC DISPENSING" TO INCLUDE THE DISPENSING OF CONTACT LENSES.
SB319	Irvin	TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE ARKANSAS HOME INSPECTOR REGISTRATION BOARD; TO MAKE CORRESPONDING TECHNICAL CHANGES; TO CLARIFY BOARD MEMBERSHIP AND SUCCESSION; AND TO PERMIT RENEWAL NOTICES TO BE SENT BY ELECTRONIC MAIL.
SB424	J. Dotson	TO AMEND THE LIFE CHOICES LIFELINE PROGRAM TO CLARIFY LANGUAGE AND ENSURE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM; AND TO CREATE THE CONTINUUM OF CARE PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.