

**AGENDA**  
**Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor**  
**House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor**  
**Meeting Jointly**

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**Tuesday, June 20, 2023**  
**1:00 PM**  
**Room A, MAC**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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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

Rep. Lee Johnson, Chair  
Rep. Josh Miller, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw  
Rep. Jon S. Eubanks  
Rep. Stephen Magie  
Rep. Richard Womack  
Rep. Deborah Ferguson  
Rep. Jack Ladyman  
Rep. Mary Bentley  
Rep. Justin Gonzales

Rep. Kenneth B. Ferguson  
Rep. Fred Allen  
Rep. Aaron Pilkington  
Rep. Mark Perry  
Rep. Bart Schulz  
Rep. Kendra Moore  
Rep. Ryan A. Rose  
Rep. Zack Gramlich  
Rep. R. Scott Richardson  
Rep. Jeremy Wooldridge

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- A. Call to Order
- B. Consideration of a Motion to Authorize Chairs to Approve Special Expenses Incurred by the Committee
- C. Consideration to Adopt the December 12, 2022, Meeting Minutes **[Exhibit C]**
- D. Introduction of Arkansas Surgeon General
  - Kay Chandler, M.D., Arkansas Surgeon General
- E. Update and Timeline of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for Hospitals
  - Kristi Putnam, Secretary, Department of Human Services (DHS)
- F. Discussion of Medicaid Redetermination Process **[Handout 1]**
  - 1. Kristi Putnam, Secretary, DHS
  - 2. Janet Mann, Deputy Secretary and State Medicaid Director, DHS
  - 3. Mary Franklin, Director, Division of County Operations, DHS
  - 4. Amy Webb, Director, Medicaid Control Center, DHS
- G. Review of Tobacco Settlement Commission Quarterly Report for July-September 2022 **[Exhibit G]**  
**[Handout 2]**
  - Matt Gilmore, Boards and Commissions Coordinator, Arkansas Department of Health
- H. Consideration for Adoption of Interim Study Proposals (ISPs) **[Exhibits H1-H9]**
  - 1. ISP 2023-001 by Representative David Ray - To Refer to the House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor a Request to Conduct a Study on the Use of the E-Verify System
  - 2. ISP 2023-004 by Senator Justin Boyd - To Establish the Arkansas Kratom Consumer Protection Act; And to Remove Mitragynine and 7-Hydroxymitragynine, Also Known as Kratom, From the Controlled

**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](http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us)**

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### Substances List in Arkansas

3. ISP 2023-006 by Senator Kim Hammer - Requesting the Arkansas Legislative Council and the Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor Study the Modernization of the Arkansas Athletic Trainers Act and Recommend Changes to Update the Language to Reflect Modern Educational Standards
4. ISP 2023-012 by Representative DeAnn Vaught - To Establish the Water and Sewer Treatment Facilities Grant Program; To Transfer Funding From the Securities Reserve Fund; And to Declare an Emergency
5. ISP 2023-013 by Senator Justin Boyd - To Permit Healthcare Providers to Maintain Medical Records in an Electronic Format
6. ISP 2023-028 by Representative Jon Eubanks - To Require the Arkansas Medicaid Program to Classify Doctors of Optometry as Physicians Which is the Same as Medicare and Insurance Carriers for Reimbursement
7. ISP 2023-032 by Representative Les Warren - To Amend the Law Concerning Unenforceable Provisions in Certain Construction Contracts
8. ISP2023-057 by Senator Bart Hester - To Establish Licensure for Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Centers by the Department of Health; And to Require the Arkansas Medicaid Program to Reimburse Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Centers
9. ISP2023-070 by Senator Greg Leding - To Amend the Membership of the Board of Developmental Disabilities Services

I. Other Business

J. Adjournment