

**AGENDA**  
**Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development**  
**House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development**  
**Meeting Jointly**

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**Thursday, May 24, 2018**

**10:00 AM**

**3 Statehouse Plaza, Fulton Room, Statehouse Convention Center**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Sen. Ronald Caldwell, Chair  
Sen. John Cooper, Vice-Chair  
Sen. Jonathan Dismang  
Sen. Jane English  
Sen. Bruce Maloch  
Sen. Eddie Cheatham  
Sen. Blake Johnson  
Sen. David Wallace

Rep. Dan M. Douglas, Chair  
Rep. David Hillman, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Stephen Meeks  
Rep. Lane Jean  
Rep. Matthew J. Shepherd  
Rep. Bruce Cozart  
Rep. Scott Baltz  
Rep. Mark D. McElroy  
Rep. Stephen Magie  
Rep. Ken Bragg

Rep. David Whitaker  
Rep. Ron McNair  
Rep. Mary Bentley  
Rep. Rick Beck  
Rep. Dan Sullivan  
Rep. Karilyn Brown  
Rep. Mathew W. Pitsch  
Rep. Jack Fortner  
Rep. Fred Allen

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- A. Call to Order / Remarks
  - 1. Senator Ronald Caldwell, Co-Chairman
  - 2. Representative Dan Douglas, Co-Chairman
- B. Consideration to Approve the December 5, 2017, Meeting Minutes **[EXHIBIT B]**
- C. Review of Proposed Regulations on Soil Amendment **[EXHIBIT C]**
  - Mr. Terry Walker, Director, Arkansas State Plant Board
- D. Update on Big River Steel
  - Mr. Mike Preston, Executive Director, Arkansas Economic Development Commission
- E. Presentation on Arkansas Agriculture – Issues and Concerns
  - Mr. Wes Ward, Secretary of Agriculture, Arkansas Agriculture Department
- F. Update on the University of Arkansas, Division of Agriculture, Cooperative Extension Services
  - 1. Dr. Mark Cochran, Vice President for Agriculture, Division of Agriculture, University of Arkansas
  - 2. Dr. Wayne Miller, Professor, Community and Economic Development, University of Arkansas
- G. Other Business
- H. Adjournment

*\*Refreshments available to all in attendance*

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