

TENTATIVE AGENDA (Revised 07/17/2013, 9:00 AM)
Senate Committee on Education
House Committee on Education
Meeting Jointly

Monday, July 22, 2013
10:00 AM
Room A, MAC
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Johnny Key, Chair
Sen. Joyce Elliott, Vice Chair
Sen. Jason Rapert
Sen. Bruce Holland
Sen. Uvalde Lindsey
Sen. Alan Clark
Sen. Jim Hendren
Sen. Eddie Cheatham

Rep. James McLean, Chair
Rep. Ann V. Clemmer, Vice Chair
Rep. Debra M. Hobbs
Rep. Les "Skip" Carnine
Rep. Robert E. Dale
Rep. Karen S. Hopper
Rep. Jody Dickinson
Rep. John Charles Edwards
Rep. Mark Biviano
Rep. John Catlett
Rep. Homer Lenderman
Rep. Gary Deffenbaugh
Rep. Jon S. Eubanks
Rep. Sheilla E. Lampkin
Rep. James Ratliff
Rep. Bruce Cozart

Rep. Charlotte Vining Douglas
Rep. Mark Lowery
Rep. Charles L. Armstrong
Rep. Brent Talley
Rep. Stephen Meeks, Non-Voting
Rep. Lane Jean, Non-Voting
Rep. Fredrick J. Love, Non-Voting
Rep. Reginald Murdock, Non-Voting
Rep. Justin T. Harris, Non-Voting
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw, Non-Voting
Rep. Andy Mayberry, Non-Voting
Rep. David Fielding, Non-Voting
Rep. Harold Copenhaver, Non-Voting
Rep. Randy Alexander, Non-Voting
Rep. Chris Richey, Non-Voting
Rep. Jim Dotson, Non-Voting

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- A. Call to Order – 10:00 A.M.
- B. Remarks by the Co-Chairs
- C. Approval of the Minutes of June 10, 2013 and June 11, 2013 **[Exhibits C1 and C2]**
- D. Reports from Members Who Attended Recent Meetings Concerning Public or Higher Education
- E. Initial Discussion of Interim Study Proposal 2013 – 118 by Senator Key, TO LIMIT STUDENT ATHLETE TRAVEL DURING THE SCHOOL WEEK. **[Exhibit E]**
Dr. Lonnie Myers, Superintendent, Mountain Home School District
Mrs. Janet Wood, Athletic Director, Mountain Home School District
- F. Discussion Regarding the Implementation of Act 1469 of 2013, AN ACT TO ALLOW HOME-SCHOOLED STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. **[Exhibit F]**
- G. Discussion of Curriculum Frameworks and Educational Adequacy
Ms. Nell Smith, Administrator, Policy Analysis and Research Section, Bureau of Legislative Research

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- H. Overview of the Historical Development and Implementation of the Common Core State Standards Initiative (Common Core) in Arkansas
Dr. Tom Kimbrell, Commissioner, Arkansas Department of Education
- I. Discussion of Legal Issues Related to Adequacy and the Development and Implementation of Common Core in Arkansas
Mr. Scott Richardson, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General
- J. Testimony Concerning the Implementation of Common Core in Arkansas
 - 1. Overview of Concerns Regarding Common Core [**Exhibits J1-1 and J1-2**]
Ms. Joy Pullmann, Research Fellow and Managing Editor of *School Reform News*, The Heartland Institute, Chicago, IL (*via call-in*)
 - 2. Overview of Policy Issues Related to Common Core
Dr. Neal McCluskey, Associate Director, Center for Educational Freedom, CATO Institute, Washington, D.C. (*via call-in*)
 - 3. Overview of Concerns Regarding the English Language Arts (ELA) Component of Common Core [**Exhibit J3**]
Dr. Sandra Stotsky, Professor of Education Reform, 21st Century Chair in Teacher Quality, Department of Education Reform, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville (*via call-in*)
 - 4. Overview of Concerns Regarding the Mathematics Component of Common Core
Dr. James Milgram, Emeritus Professor of Mathematics, Stanford University, Stanford, California (*via call-in*)
 - 5. Policy Concerns Regarding Common Core
Ms. Grace Lewis, Parent, Mount Vernon, Arkansas
 - 6. Parental Concerns Regarding Common Core
Ms. Virginia Wyeth, Parent and Educator, Little Rock, Arkansas
 - 7. Educator Concerns Regarding Common Core
Ms. Betty Yerger, Retired Educator, Heber Springs, Arkansas
 - 8. Student Concerns Regarding Common Core
Mr. Patrick Richardson, Student, Quitman High School, Quitman, Arkansas
- K. Other Business
- L. Adjournment