

AGENDA (Revised 09/23/14, 8:15 A.M.)
State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Program Legislative Task Force

Tuesday, September 23, 2014

01:30 PM

**Hot Springs Convention Center, Room 207, 134 Convention Boulevard
Hot Springs, Arkansas**

Sen. Jim Hendren, Chair
Sen. Cecile Bledsoe
Sen. Linda Chesterfield
Sen. Jason Rapert
Sen. David J. Sanders
Sen. Eddie Cheatham

Rep. Harold Copenhaver, Vice Chair
Rep. James McLean
Rep. Allen Kerr
Rep. Tommy Wren
Rep. George B. McGill
Rep. Bill Gossage

- A. Call to Order – 1:30 P.M.
- B. Remarks by the Chair and Vice Chair
- C. Approval of the Minutes from the August 26, 2014 Meeting [**Exhibit C**]
- D. Preliminary Discussion of Long-Term Options for Ensuring the Fiscal and Programmatic Stability of the Arkansas State Employee (ASE) Health Insurance Plan and the Public School Employee (PSE) Health Insurance Plan
 - Option 2 – Allowing School Districts to Operate Their Own Health Insurance Plans*
 - 1. Discussion of Legal Issues
Ms. Alix Stephens, Staff Attorney, Bureau of Legislative Research
 - 2. Discussion of Financial Issues
Mr. Bob Alexander, Executive Director, Employee Benefits Division, Department of Finance and Administration
 - 3. Comments from Stakeholders
Dr. Richard Abernathy, Executive Director, Arkansas Association of Educational Administrators
Ms. Brenda Robinson, President, Arkansas Education Association
Mr. Tom Dooher, Executive Director, Arkansas Education Association
Dr. Tony Prothro, Executive Director, Arkansas School Boards Association
Dr. Michele Ballentine-Linch, Executive Director, Arkansas State Teachers Association
Mr. Danny James, Executive Director, Arkansas State Employees Association
Ms. Donna Morey, Executive Director, Arkansas Retired Teachers Association
Mr. Bill Abernathy, Executive Director, Arkansas Rural Education Association
- E. Other Business
- F. Adjournment

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