

REVISED AGENDA
House Committee on Education
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Thursday, March 01, 2007
10:00 AM
Room 138, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Rep. Mike Kenney, Chair
Rep. Bill Abernathy, Vice Chair
Rep. Benny Petrus
Rep. Jeff Wood
Rep. Sid Rosenbaum
Rep. Betty Pickett

Rep. James Norton
Rep. Janet Johnson
Rep. Tommy Dickinson
Rep. Shirley Walters
Rep. Eric Harris
Rep. Michael Lamoureux
Rep. Curren Everett

Rep. Nancy Duffy Blount
Rep. Mark Martin
Rep. Rick Saunders
Rep. David Rainey
Rep. David Cook
Rep. Eddie Cheatham
Rep. Toni Bradford

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CONCUR IN SENATE AMENDMENTS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1173	Anderson	AN ACT TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT THAT SCHOOL DISTRICTS MUST PROVIDE TO PARENTS AN ANNUAL BODY MASS INDEX REPORT ON EACH STUDENT.

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1346	Stewart	AN ACT TO MODIFY THE AMOUNT OF TIME REQUIRED FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE EIGHT (K-8).
HB1441	Pickett	TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL BOARDS FOR THE BENEFIT OF INDIVIDUALS EXCEPT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.
HB1468	Pickett	AN ACT TO INCREASE THE AVAILABILITY OF QUALITY SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FOR EMPLOYMENT BY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN ARKANSAS.
HB1477	Pickett	AN ACT TO PROTECT PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS FROM FIRE HAZARDS AND TO ENSURE REGULAR FIRE INSPECTIONS FOR ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.
HB1483	Lamoureux	AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS TO INTEGRATE ONLINE LEARNING EXPERIENCES INTO HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM.
HB1504	Anderson	AN ACT TO AMEND THE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL LAW.
HB1517	Cook	AN ACT TO EXPAND MONITORING BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS.
HB1519	Pickett	AN ACT TO MAKE STATE CONTRIBUTIONS AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM.
HB1521	Walters	AN ACT TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT PLANS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
HB1534	Blount	AN ACT TO CREATE THE MOBILE LEARNING COMMISSION.
HB1562	Chesterfield	AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE COLLEGE REMEDIATION RATE AND ENSURE A GENERAL, SUITABLE, AND EFFICIENT SYSTEM OF COLLEGE AND WORKFORCE READINESS FOR ALL STUDENTS.

HB1563	Pickett	TO AMEND 6-11-101 TO CLARIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
HB1649	Flowers	AN ACT TO REQUIRE ANNUAL INSPECTION OF THE PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL, AND AIR QUALITY SYSTEMS OF ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES.
HB1726	Kenney	AN ACT TO ASSIST SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH THE TRANSITION BETWEEN LEVELS OF CATEGORICAL FUNDING FOR NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH STUDENTS BY PROVIDING A METHOD OF TRANSITIONAL FUNDING DURING A THREE-YEAR PERIOD.
HB1731	Abernathy	AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 21-4-505 ALLOWING TWO-YEAR COLLEGES TO COMPENSATE ALL EMPLOYEES FOR UNUSED SICK LEAVE AT RETIREMENT.
HB1796	Hawkins	AN ACT TO PROVIDE LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES TO PARTICIPATE IN THEIR CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES.
HB1825	Harrelson	TO ALLOW PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ESTABLISH CAMPUS POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE TRAINING OF CAMPUS POLICE OFFICERS.
HB2055	Harrelson	AN ACT TO PROVIDE COLLEGE CREDIT TO ENTERING FRESHMEN WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA PROGRAM.
HB2213	J. Johnson	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING UNIFORM HOUSING ALLOWANCES FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
HB2222	Hardwick	TO ESTABLISH A GROWTH POOL OF POSITIONS FOR STATE-SUPPORTED FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN ARKANSAS.
HB2223	Hardwick	TO ESTABLISH A GROWTH POOL OF POSITIONS FOR STATE-SUPPORTED TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
HB1385	Pickett	AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR STUDENT REPRESENTATION ON THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS.

RE-REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB217	G. Jeffress	TO AMEND 6-18-207 TO LOWER THE AGE OF ENROLLMENT IN KINDERGARTEN IN PUBLIC SCHOOL.

BILLS PENDING FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1478	Pickett	THE EDUCATION SERVICE COOPERATIVE ACT OF 2007.
HB1481	Lamoureux	TO ESTABLISH THE FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHING INCENTIVE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE A SALARY SUPPLEMENT FOR TEACHING A FOREIGN LANGUAGE CLASS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWELVE.
HB1495	Lamoureux	TO ESTABLISH THE SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS TEACHER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION PROGRAM TO PROVIDE A SALARY SUPPLEMENT FOR TEACHING A SCIENCE OR MATHEMATICS COURSE IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE TWELVE (K-12).
HB1508	Saunders	AN ACT TO ADD SECONDARY AREA TECHNICAL CENTERS TO THE PROGRAMS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HOUSING CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM SUPPORTED BY THE BUILDING TRADES REVOLVING FUND.
HB1516	Cook	AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RECEIVE PROMPT AND RELIABLE INFORMATION ON SCHOOL FINANCES FROM PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
HB1730	Abernathy	AN ACT TO DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR ENDORSED CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT COURSES THAT MAY BE TAUGHT ALONG WITH ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES IN HIGH SCHOOLS AND TO REPEAL THE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT COURSE APPROVAL PANEL.
HB1751	Pickett	AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS IN THE ARKANSAS CODE TO USE THE CORRECT TERM FOR EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY.
HB1798	D. Creekmore	TO ESTABLISH THE SCHOOL BUS SAFETY AWARENESS FUND, TO IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL FINE TO FUND THE SCHOOL BUS SAFETY AWARENESS FUND, AND TO REQUIRE THE USE OF SEAT BELTS ON SCHOOL BUSES WHEN AVAILABLE.
HB1829	Bond	AN ACT TO ENSURE EFFICIENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS INVOLVED IN DESEGREGATION LITIGATION.

HB1909	J. Johnson	AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 6-18-203 TO FURTHER DEFINE SCHOOL CHOICE FOR CHILDREN OF DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION EMPLOYEES.
HB2029	Jeffrey	AN ACT TO EXEMPT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO HAVE GRADUATED EARLY FROM THE REQUIREMENT THAT THEY ATTEND A FULL SCHOOL DAY.
HB2066	Harrelson	AN ACT TO ALLOW OUT-OF-STATE NONTRADITIONAL LICENSURE APPLICANTS TO BE EMPLOYED AS TEACHER OF RECORD IN ARKANSAS.
HB2210	Pickett	AN ACT TO PROVIDE TO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS ACCESS TO EVIDENCE OF LEGISLATIVE INTENT CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING.
HB2217	Pickett	AN ACT TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS ON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT WEBSITES.
HB2234	Norton	AN ACT TO ASSIST SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO CONSTRUCT NEW BUILDINGS WITHOUT BEING IDENTIFIED AS A DISTRICT IN FISCAL DISTRESS.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1174	Anderson	TO ALLOW PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO VOLUNTARILY PROVIDE TO PARENTS STUDENT HEALTH REPORTS WITH THE BODY MASS INDEX PERCENTILE FOR THE STUDENT WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF THE REPORT.
HB1330	Breedlove	TO CREATE THE INVESTMENT IN ARKANSANS STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE LOW-INCOME ARKANSANS WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO OBTAIN A COLLEGE DEGREE.
HB1199	Cook	CONCERNING DISORDERLY CONDUCT ON PUBLIC SCHOOL PROPERTY.
HB1430	Blount	AN ACT TO INCREASE THE EARLY LITERACY SKILLS OF ARKANSAS CHILDREN BY CREATING A LITERACY SKILLS COMPONENT TO THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.
HB1482	Lamoureux	AN ACT TO PROVIDE SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH THE FULL AMOUNT OF CATEGORICAL FUNDING FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.