

AGENDA
Senate Committee on Education

Wednesday, March 20, 2019
10:00 AM
Room 207, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Jane English, Chair
Sen. Joyce Elliott, Vice-Chair
Sen. Linda Chesterfield
Sen. Jim Hendren

Sen. Eddie Cheatham
Sen. Lance Eads
Sen. Mark Johnson
Sen. James Sturch

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REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB232	K. Hammer	TO CREATE THE FREEDOM OF CONTRACT IN HIGHER EDUCATION ACT.
SB349	A. Clark	TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH STATE CATEGORICAL FUNDING A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT OR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL RECEIVES IF ITS OVERALL READING READINESS IS BELOW A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE.
SB392	B. Ballinger	TO REPEAL THE EXEMPTION TO CERTAIN LAWS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS THAT RECOGNIZE IN THEIR POLICIES ORGANIZATIONS THAT REPRESENT TEACHERS IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF NEGOTIATING EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.
SB449	Irvin	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE WITH RESPECT TO THE COMPOSITION OF THE SAFE SCHOOLS COMMITTEE.
SB452	B. Davis	TO PREVENT A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM USING PUBLIC FUNDS TO PAY THE PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP DUES OF A TEACHER OR A CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE.
SB483	J. English	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND REPORTING.
SB490	K. Hammer	TO EXPAND THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE SUCCEED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.
HB1404	Speaks	TO AMEND PROVISIONS REGARDING THE PUBLICATION IN A NEWSPAPER OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BUDGET.
HB1508	A. Davis	TO ALLOW A HOME-SCHOOLED STUDENT APPROVED TO PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY AT A PRIVATE SCHOOL TO BEGIN PARTICIPATING IN AN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY IMMEDIATELY UPON BEING APPROVED.
SB508	B. Davis	TO AMEND THE MEANS BY WHICH FUNDING IS DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE PRODUCTIVITY-BASED FUNDING MODEL.
SB509	B. Davis	TO DISTRIBUTE FUNDS FROM THE EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE TRUST FUND TO CERTAIN FOUR-YEAR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION BASED ON AN INSTITUTION'S IN-STATE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT.

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HB1018	Sorvillo	TO AMEND THE POPULATION REQUIREMENTS THAT CONTROL THE NUMBER OF DIRECTORS WHO SERVE ON A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
HB1569	Dotson	TO ALLOW EXCESS FOOD DISTRIBUTION BY A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO A STUDENT WHO IS ENROLLED IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL OR OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL.
HB1537	Evans	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING STUDENT RESIDENCY, COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE, AND MINIMUM ENROLLMENT AGE.
HB1600	G. Hodges	TO CONSIDER AN INDIVIDUAL WHO EARNS A TEACHING LICENSE UPON THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF AN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT UNDER THE STATE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM.
SB522	J. English	TO CREATE A COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM; TO COORDINATE VARIOUS WORKFORCE PROGRAMS; TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE CAREER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB526	A. Clark	TO REQUIRE THE PRESENCE OF A FINANCIAL COUNSELOR UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS WHEN A STUDENT OF A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SIGNS A DOCUMENT TO BORROW A STUDENT EDUCATION LOAN.
SB528	J. Dismang	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A "STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION" WITH RESPECT TO THE FORMING OPEN AND ROBUST UNIVERSITY MINDS ACT.
HB1398	S. Meeks	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING STUDENT ATTENDANCE AND DISCIPLINE.
HB1657	Vaught	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING EDUCATOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.
SB538	J. Sturch	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE CODE WITH RESPECT TO OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AND TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL WAIVERS; AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING SCHOOLS OF INNOVATION
SB549	J. English	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE WITH RESPECT TO PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITIES.
SB553	Bond	TO AMEND THE LAW TO ALLOW A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO BE RETURNED TO LOCAL CONTROL UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.
HB1558	Lowery	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ADULT EDUCATION PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS TO ENSURE THAT MORE THAN ONE (1) ADULT EDUCATION PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL MAY OPERATE IN THIS STATE.
SB387	Elliott	TO REQUIRE THAT A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE OF LOTTERY PROCEEDS BE NET PROCEEDS THAT ARE USED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS; AND TO REQUIRE THAT THE PERCENTAGE OF NET PROCEEDS USED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS INCREASE YEAR BY YEAR.

PENDING FISCAL IMPACT

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1409	Della Rosa	TO ALLOW FOR EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH UNSTRUCTURED SOCIAL TIME; TO REQUIRE A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME FOR RECESS; AND TO CONSIDER SUPERVISION DURING UNSTRUCTURED SOCIAL TIME AS INSTRUCTIONAL.

SB535	B. Johnson	TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH THE ACADEMIC FACILITIES WEALTH INDEX IS CALCULATED.
SB591	Elliott	TO PROMOTE TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION AMONG ARKANSANS; TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS COMMUNITY REMEMBRANCE COMMISSION; AND TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE.
SB593	G. Leding	CONCERNING TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS ON CHILD TRAFFICKING.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB118	K. Hammer	TO REQUIRE CAMPUS FREE SPEECH POLICIES.
HB1020	Warren	TO ALLOW OUT-OF-STATE TEACHING EXPERIENCE TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN DETERMINING A TEACHER'S SALARY SCHEDULE.