

TENTATIVE AGENDA
Senate Committee on Education
House Committee on Education
Meeting Jointly

Tuesday, November 08, 2011

10:00 AM

Room 171, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Jimmy Jeffress, Chair
Sen. Mary Anne Salmon, Vice Chair
Sen. Gilbert Baker
Sen. Kim Hendren
Sen. Gene Jeffress
Sen. Johnny Key
Sen. Joyce Elliott
Sen. Bruce Holland

Rep. Eddie L. Cheatham, Chair
Rep. Johnnie J. Roebuck, Vice Chair
Rep. Toni Bradford
Rep. Kathy Webb
Rep. Bobby J. Pierce
Rep. Donna Hutchinson
Rep. Randy Stewart
Rep. Jerry R. Brown
Rep. Duncan Baird
Rep. Tim Summers
Rep. Debra M. Hobbs
Rep. Les "Skip" Carmine
Rep. Robert E. Dale
Rep. Karen S. Hopper
Rep. Ann V. Clemmer
Rep. James McLean

Rep. Jody Dickinson
Rep. Jane English
Rep. Tracy Steele
Rep. Tommy Wren
Rep. James L. Word, Non-Voting
Rep. Andrea Lea, Non-Voting
Rep. Garry L. Smith, Non-Voting
Rep. Davy Carter, Non-Voting
Rep. Tiffany Rogers, Non-Voting
Rep. Henry "Hank" Wilkins, IV, Non-Voting
Rep. John Catlett, Non-Voting
Rep. Homer Lenderman, Non-Voting
Rep. Kelley Linck, Non-Voting
Rep. Gary Deffenbaugh, Non-Voting
Rep. Justin T. Harris, Non-Voting
Rep. Jeremy Gillam, Non-Voting

- A. Call to Order – 10:00 A.M.
- B. Remarks by the Co-Chairs
- C. Approval of the Minutes of October 11, 2011 **[Exhibit C]**
- D. Receipt and Discussion of the Annual Report of the School Leadership Coordinating Council
Dr. Mary Gunter, Chair, School Leadership Coordinating Council
- E. Discussion of the Imagination Library Program
Ms. MaryAnne Williams, Facilitator, Arkansas Partnerships for Preschool Literacy Education, and Coordinator, Imagination Library of Prairie and Woodruff Counties
- F. Preliminary Discussion of Act 593 of 2011, TO STUDY THE ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF AN EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR. **[Exhibit F]**
 - 1. Remarks by Senator Johnny Key, Sponsor
 - 2. Discussion by Committees
- G. Discussion of Motion to Refer Interim Study Proposal 2011-030 by Representative Mauch, TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MINIMUM AGE FOR ENROLLMENT IN PUBLIC SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN, to the Early Childhood Subcommittee of the House Interim Committee on Education **[Exhibit G]**

Notice: Silence your cell phones. Keep your personal conversations to a minimum. Observe restrictions designating areas as "Members and Staff Only"

- H. Discussion of Case Studies Concerning Student Achievement and School Improvement
Dr. Brent Benda, Senior Research Specialist, Bureau of Legislative Research
Ms. Nell Smith, Senior Research Specialist, Bureau of Legislative Research
- I. Discussion of Issues Related to Educator Licensure
Dr. Karen Cushman, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Human Resources, Arkansas Department of Education
- J. Discussion of Issues Related to Out-of-Area Waivers
Dr. Karen Cushman, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Human Resources, Arkansas Department of Education
- K. Discussion of Issues Related to Fiscal Distress
Mr. Tony Wood, Assistant Commissioner, Arkansas Department of Education
- L. Other Business
- M. Adjournment