

**REVISED AGENDA**  
**Senate Committee on Education**  
**87th General Assembly**  
**Regular Session, 2009**

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**Wednesday, April 01, 2009**

**10:00 AM**

**Room 207, State Capitol**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Sen. Jimmy Jeffress, Chair  
Sen. Steve Bryles, Vice Chair  
Sen. Kim Hendren  
Sen. Shane Broadway

Sen. Gene Jeffress  
Sen. Mary Anne Salmon  
Sen. Johnny Key  
Sen. Joyce Elliott

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**REVISED March 31, 2009 6:30 PM**

**RE-REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">SB858</a>	Broadway	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS GOVERNMENT WORKER LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM.

**CONCUR IN HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">SB847</a>	Broadway	TO ALLOW A STUDENT TO CONTINUE ATTENDANCE AT A NONRESIDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT IN SOME CIRCUMSTANCES.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS 11:30 AM**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">SB736</a>	Laverty	TO ENSURE HUMANE CONSIDERATION FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN CERTIFIED ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH SPECIAL GEOGRAPHIC CIRCUMSTANCES.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">SB304</a>	Crumbly	TO ENSURE THAT STUDENTS MAKE SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
<a href="#">SB319</a>	Laverty	TO REMOVE THE MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS RECEIVED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT FROM THE CALCULATION OF STATE FUNDING ASSISTANCE.
<a href="#">SB337</a>	Faris	TO PROVIDE FACILITIES FUNDING FOR THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.
<a href="#">HB1372</a>	J. Roebuck	TO GRANT SUBPOENA POWER TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE STANDARDS BOARD.
<a href="#">SB358</a>	G. Jeffress	TO ALLOW REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION FOR A STUDENT WHO HAS DIFFICULTY WITH SENSORY PROCESSING WHEN TAKING STATE REQUIRED TESTS.
<a href="#">SB452</a>	Salmon	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON THE STATUS OF ARKANSAS HISTORY EDUCATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
<a href="#">SB459</a>	Broadway	TO IMPROVE DATA COLLECTION BY THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPUTER NETWORK.
<a href="#">SB740</a>	Laverty	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE RELATING TO FUNDING FOR ISOLATED SCHOOLS.

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<a href="#">SB817</a>	Laverty	TO PROHIBIT THE CONSOLIDATION OR ANNEXATION OF AN ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICT IF THE RESULTING SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL BE LARGER THAN ONE THOUSAND SQUARE MILES (1,000 SQ. MI.).
<a href="#">SB828</a>	J. Jeffress	TO AMEND THE TEACHER FAIR DISMISSAL ACT.
<a href="#">SB838</a>	Bryles	TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS REWARDING EXCELLENCE IN ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM.
<a href="#">SB840</a>	Salmon	TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE ARKANSAS COMMISSION FOR COORDINATION OF EDUCATIONAL EFFORTS.
<a href="#">SB860</a>	Broadway	TO ALLOW THE COMMISSION FOR ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION TO DEVELOP RULES GOVERNING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS.
<a href="#">SB862</a>	Broadway	TO AMEND PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING AMOUNTS.
<a href="#">SB865</a>	Madison	TO REGULATE THE ADMINISTRATION AND USE OF STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS.
<a href="#">SB877</a>	D. Wyatt	TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING STUDENT RECORDS.
<a href="#">SB886</a>	Broadway	TO AMEND THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY USE THE ANNUAL SAVINGS PRODUCED BY PARTICIPATING IN THE STATE'S BONDED DEBT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
<a href="#">SB887</a>	Broadway	AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE RENEWAL OF A TEACHING LICENSE FOR RETIRED TEACHERS.
<a href="#">SB888</a>	Broadway	CONCERNING THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS ASSIGNED TO ONE (1) LICENSED ART TEACHER FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN GRADES ONE THROUGH SIX (1-6).
<a href="#">SB890</a>	Bryles	TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING SCHOOL ELECTIONS.
<a href="#">SB899</a>	Madison	TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF CERTAIN CUSTOMIZED TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE MATERIALS FOR UNDERGRADUATE COURSES AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TO MINIMIZE THE COST OF TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE MATERIALS.
<a href="#">SB900</a>	Madison	TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF CERTAIN SINGLE-USE TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE MATERIALS FOR UNDERGRADUATE COURSES AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TO MINIMIZE THE COST OF TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE MATERIALS.
<a href="#">SB910</a>	Salmon	TO CLARIFY THE RATE OF PAYMENT FOR TEACHERS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULED OUTSIDE OF THE NORMAL BASE CONTRACT PERIOD.
<a href="#">SB935</a>	D. Wyatt	TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ESTABLISH RANDOM DRUG TESTING POLICIES FOR ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES.
<a href="#">SB956</a>	Crumbly	TO ALLOW STUDENTS IN GRADE TEN (10) OR ABOVE TO PARTICIPATE IN COSMETOLOGY COURSES OFFERED IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
<a href="#">SB971</a>	Teague	TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CALCULATING AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION OF SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
<a href="#">SB979</a>	Crumbly	TO ALLOW THE RESULTING OR RECEIVING DISTRICT IN A REORGANIZATION OF HIGH-PRIORITY SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE HIGH-PRIORITY DISTRICT FINANCIAL INCENTIVES.
<a href="#">SB998</a>	J. Jeffress	AN ACT CONCERNING CLASSIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL POLICIES.
<a href="#">SB999</a>	J. Jeffress	AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSED PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL POLICIES.
<a href="#">HB1555</a>	Betts	TO CLARIFY STUDENT GROWTH FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
<a href="#">HB1606</a>	Saunders	TO PROVIDE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY FOR EDUCATION SERVICE COOPERATIVES.
<a href="#">HB1940</a>	Cook	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 RELATED TO SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS.
<a href="#">HB1956</a>	Word	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PROJECT GRADUATION COMMISSION.
<a href="#">HB1959</a>	Abernathy	TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL END-OF-COURSE ASSESSMENTS.
<a href="#">HB1999</a>	Lea	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CREDIT.
<a href="#">HB2004</a>	Hopper	TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD OR RESERVE WHO ARE TEACHERS OR ADMINISTRATORS PAY FOR THE COST OF A SUBSTITUTE EMPLOYEE WHEN THE MEMBER IS ON MILITARY LEAVE.

<a href="#">HB2066</a>	Abernathy	TO PROVIDE FOR THE TIMELY AND ACCURATE RECEIPT OF DATA NEEDED TO CALCULATE AND ADJUST FOUNDATION FUNDING AMOUNTS DISTRIBUTED TO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
<a href="#">HB2163</a>	Rainey	TO INCREASE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR ACHIEVEMENT GAPS IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND TO PROVIDE INTERVENTION AND SUPPORT TO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ADDRESS THE SEVERITY OF ACHIEVEMENT GAPS.
<a href="#">SB108</a>	Teague	TO PROVIDE A LIFETIME TEACHING LICENSE TO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS WHO RETIRE AFTER TEACHING FOR TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS.
<a href="#">HB1091</a>	Sample	TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON AN APPEAL OF THE SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION OF A STUDENT.
<a href="#">HB1408</a>	Rainey	TO RESTRICT THE ENROLLMENT OF CHILDREN SIXTEEN (16) YEARS OF AGE AND SEVENTEEN (17) YEARS OF AGE IN ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

### PENDING FISCAL IMPACT

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">SB664</a>	Bryles	TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ADVERTISE A BOND SALE BY A METHOD OTHER THAN NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION.
<a href="#">SB814</a>	Broadway	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION.
<a href="#">SB842</a>	G. Baker	TO ALLOW HOME-SCHOOLED STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES.
<a href="#">SB861</a>	Broadway	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 6 CONCERNING ACADEMIC FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION.
<a href="#">SB863</a>	Broadway	TO PROVIDE A PROCESS FOR ROUTINE INSPECTIONS AND REPORTING OF INSPECTIONS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITIES.
<a href="#">SB943</a>	Elliott	TO IMPROVE PARENTS' ACCESS TO PUBLIC SCHOOL DATA ON ACHIEVEMENT GAPS AND ON PUBLIC SCHOOL PLANS TO CLOSE ACHIEVEMENT GAPS.
<a href="#">SB987</a>	Elliott	TO PLACE LIMITS ON THE AMOUNT AND DURATION OF CARRYOVER CATEGORICAL FUNDS.
<a href="#">SB1006</a>	J. Key	TO ALLOW A WAIVER OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT OF NONLICENSED PERSONNEL AT A PUBLIC SCHOOL.
<a href="#">HB1859</a>	Abernathy	TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS AND PROCEDURES RELATING TO CODE OF ETHICS PROCEEDINGS OF THE PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE STANDARDS BOARD.

### DEFERRED BILLS

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">SB19</a>	Altes	TO MODIFY THE INCENTIVE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS TO SEEK NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS CERTIFICATION.
<a href="#">SB30</a>	Hendren	TO LIMIT THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS OF SUPERINTENDENTS, DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENTS, AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS TO TWO YEARS, SUBJECT TO ANNUAL RENEWAL.
<a href="#">SB249</a>	Teague	TO AMEND THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION OF SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
<a href="#">SB411</a>	Madison	THE ARKANSAS FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT PROGRAM ACT.
<a href="#">SB430</a>	Crumbly	TO PROVIDE INCENTIVES FOR TEACHER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION AND EQUALIZE TEACHER SALARIES IN HIGH-PRIORITY SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
<a href="#">SB498</a>	Hendren	TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO HAVE PRINTED ON THE EXTERIOR OF ITS SCHOOL BUSES A NOTICE REGARDING THE ILLEGALITY OF PASSING A SCHOOL BUS.
<a href="#">SB734</a>	Laverty	TO ENSURE GEOGRAPHIC CONSIDERATION FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN CERTIFIED ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
<a href="#">SB735</a>	Laverty	TO ENSURE HUMANE CONSIDERATION FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN CERTIFIED ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
<a href="#">SB766</a>	J. Jeffress	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE LAWS.
<a href="#">SB793</a>	J. Key	AN ACT CONCERNING ARKANSAS TEACHER LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION.
<a href="#">SB794</a>	Hendren	TO AMEND THE TEACHER FAIR DISMISSAL ACT.

<a href="#">SB805</a>	Broadway	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC FACILITIES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM.
<a href="#">SB816</a>	Laverty	TO PROHIBIT THE CONSOLIDATION OR ANNEXATION OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT IF THE RESULTING SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL HAVE AN AREA LARGER THAN NINE HUNDRED ONE SQUARE MILES (901 SQ. MI.).
<a href="#">SB818</a>	Laverty	TO PROHIBIT THE CONSOLIDATION OR ANNEXATION OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IF THE RESULTING DISTRICT WILL HAVE AN AREA LARGER THAN ONE THOUSAND FIFTY-FOUR SQUARE MILES (1,054 SQ. MI.).
<a href="#">SB821</a>	J. Jeffress	TO REQUIRE PERIODIC REPORTING FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS.
<a href="#">SB848</a>	Broadway	AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE LAWS IN TITLE 6.
<a href="#">SB849</a>	Broadway	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CODE PERTAINING TO EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES.
<a href="#">SB851</a>	Broadway	TO AMEND TITLE 6 PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS WORKFORCE IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM.
<a href="#">SB891</a>	Bryles	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 RELATED TO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS.
<a href="#">SB893</a>	Whitaker	TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITHIN THE SAME COUNTY.
<a href="#">SB905</a>	Salmon	TO ENHANCE THE EDUCATION OF ARKANSAS STUDENTS IN THE AREAS OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS.
<a href="#">SB941</a>	Elliott	TO ESTABLISH THE SMART CORE CURRICULUM AS THE REQUIRED CURRICULUM FOR PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.
<a href="#">SB952</a>	Hendren	TO ENSURE THAT EACH HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT IS PROVIDED ADEQUATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE.
<a href="#">SB962</a>	Steele	TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING STATE FINANCIAL AID TO STUDENTS ATTENDING INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
<a href="#">SB970</a>	Steele	TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING THE HEALTH OF PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.
<a href="#">SB977</a>	Bryles	TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS.
<a href="#">SB981</a>	Crumbly	TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL VANS FOR STUDENT TRANSPORTATION OF CHILDREN ENROLLED IN ARKANSAS BETTER CHANCE PRESCHOOL AND PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS.
<a href="#">SB982</a>	Crumbly	TO PROVIDE HEALTH CLINICS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
<a href="#">SB1008</a>	Bryles	TO AMEND § 6-13-1601 ET SEQ., TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL OPTIONS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS UNDER THE PUBLIC EDUCATION REORGANIZATION ACT.
<a href="#">SB1009</a>	Bryles	TO AMEND TITLE 6 PERTAINING TO ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE.
<a href="#">HB2049</a>	Hobbs	TO ENSURE THAT STUDENTS ENROLLED IN SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INFORMED OF GUARDIANSHIP OPTIONS AVAILABLE UPON THE STUDENT'S REACHING EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE.
<a href="#">HB1554</a>	Betts	TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PUBLISH ITS ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT BY WEBSITE POSTING.