

REVISED AGENDA
April 5, 2009 5:00 p.m.
Senate Committee on Education
87th General Assembly
Regular Session, 2009

Monday, April 06, 2009
09:00 AM
Room 207, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

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

CONCUR IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILLS

| Number | Sponsor | Subtitle |
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| SB904 | J. Key | TO ESTABLISH THE REVIEW OF LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE FINDINGS BY THE PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE STANDARDS BOARD FOR TEACHERS. |
| SB955 | Crumbly | TO STRENGTHEN VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS. |

REGULAR AGENDA

| Number | Sponsor | Subtitle |
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| SB740 | Laverty | TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE RELATING TO FUNDING FOR ISOLATED SCHOOLS. |
| SB817 | 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.). |
| SB828 | J. Jeffress | TO AMEND THE TEACHER FAIR DISMISSAL ACT. |
| SB838 | Bryles | TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS REWARDING EXCELLENCE IN ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM. |
| SB842 | G. Baker | TO ALLOW HOME-SCHOOLED STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES. |
| SB858 | Broadway | TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS GOVERNMENT WORKER LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM. |
| SB886 | 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. |
| SB887 | Broadway | AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE RENEWAL OF A TEACHING LICENSE FOR RETIRED TEACHERS. |
| SB910 | Salmon | TO CLARIFY THE RATE OF PAYMENT FOR TEACHERS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULED OUTSIDE OF THE NORMAL BASE CONTRACT PERIOD. |
| SB971 | Teague | TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CALCULATING AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION OF SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS. |
| SB979 | 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. |

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| HB1956 | Word | TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PROJECT GRADUATION COMMISSION. |
| HB1992 | Abernathy | TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS. |
| HB2065 | Abernathy | TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF AD VALOREM TAX DATA USED FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING. |
| HB2101 | Betts | TO CLARIFY THE PURPOSES OF THE PLANNING AND PREPARATION TIME A SCHOOL DISTRICT IS REQUIRED TO PROVIDE FOR CLASSROOM TEACHERS. |
| HB2135 | Williams | THE ARKANSAS CAMPUS SECURITY ENHANCEMENT ACT. |
| HB2164 | Rainey | TO AMEND THE COMMISSION ON CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP IN ARKANSAS AND TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP IN ARKANSAS. |
| HB2263 | Lovell | TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CALCULATING AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION OF SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS. |
| HB1862 | Carnine | TO ENSURE INDIVIDUALS WITH NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS CERTIFICATION ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PAYMENTS WHILE THEY CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS OF THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM. |
| SB108 | Teague | TO PROVIDE A LIFETIME TEACHING LICENSE TO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS WHO RETIRE AFTER TEACHING FOR TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS. |
| HB2003 | Lowery | TO AMEND THE LAW PERTAINING TO RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS AND ATTENDANCE AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS. |

DEFERRED BILLS

| Number | Sponsor | Subtitle |
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| SB19 | Altes | TO MODIFY THE INCENTIVE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS TO SEEK NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS CERTIFICATION. |
| SB30 | Hendren | TO LIMIT THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS OF SUPERINTENDENTS, DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENTS, AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS TO TWO YEARS, SUBJECT TO ANNUAL RENEWAL. |
| SB249 | Teague | TO AMEND THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REORGANIZATION OF SMALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS. |
| SB411 | Madison | THE ARKANSAS FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT PROGRAM ACT. |
| SB498 | 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. |
| SB734 | Laverty | TO ENSURE GEOGRAPHIC CONSIDERATION FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN CERTIFIED ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS. |
| SB735 | Laverty | TO ENSURE HUMANE CONSIDERATION FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN CERTIFIED ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS. |
| SB766 | J. Jeffress | TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE LAWS. |
| SB793 | J. Key | AN ACT CONCERNING ARKANSAS TEACHER LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION. |
| SB794 | Hendren | TO AMEND THE TEACHER FAIR DISMISSAL ACT. |
| SB805 | Broadway | TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC FACILITIES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM. |
| SB816 | 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.). |
| SB818 | 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.). |
| SB821 | J. Jeffress | TO REQUIRE PERIODIC REPORTING FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS. |
| SB848 | Broadway | AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE LAWS IN TITLE 6. |
| SB849 | Broadway | TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CODE PERTAINING TO EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES. |
| SB851 | Broadway | TO AMEND TITLE 6 PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS WORKFORCE IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM. |
| SB865 | Madison | TO REGULATE THE ADMINISTRATION AND USE OF STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS. |
| SB888 | Broadway | CONCERNING THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS ASSIGNED TO ONE (1) LICENSED |

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| | | ART TEACHER FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN GRADES ONE THROUGH SIX (1-6). |
| SB890 | Bryles | TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING SCHOOL ELECTIONS. |
| SB891 | Bryles | TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 RELATED TO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS. |
| SB893 | Whitaker | TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITHIN THE SAME COUNTY. |
| SB899 | 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. |
| SB900 | 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. |
| SB905 | Salmon | TO ENHANCE THE EDUCATION OF ARKANSAS STUDENTS IN THE AREAS OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS. |
| SB941 | Elliott | TO ESTABLISH THE SMART CORE CURRICULUM AS THE REQUIRED CURRICULUM FOR PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION. |
| SB952 | 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. |
| SB962 | Steele | TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING STATE FINANCIAL AID TO STUDENTS ATTENDING INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. |
| SB970 | Steele | TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING THE HEALTH OF PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS. |
| SB977 | Bryles | TO AMEND TITLE 6 CONCERNING POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS. |
| SB981 | Crumbly | TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL VANS FOR STUDENT TRANSPORTATION OF CHILDREN ENROLLED IN ARKANSAS BETTER CHANCE PRESCHOOL AND PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS. |
| SB982 | Crumbly | TO PROVIDE HEALTH CLINICS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS. |
| SB1006 | J. Key | TO ALLOW A WAIVER OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT OF NONLICENSED PERSONNEL AT A PUBLIC SCHOOL. |
| SB1008 | Bryles | TO AMEND § 6-13-1601 ET SEQ., TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL OPTIONS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS UNDER THE PUBLIC EDUCATION REORGANIZATION ACT. |
| SB1009 | Bryles | TO AMEND TITLE 6 PERTAINING TO ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE. |
| HB2049 | 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. |
| HB1554 | Betts | TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PUBLISH ITS ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT BY WEBSITE POSTING. |