

AGENDA
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Room 207, State Capitol
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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

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB67	J. Jeffress	TO REESTABLISH THE JOINT INTERIM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION REFORM.
SB267	D. Johnson	TO EXPAND LEARNING TIME FOR ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS BY ALLOWING SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO OPERATE A TWO-HUNDRED-DAY SCHOOL YEAR.
SB268	D. Johnson	TO ALLOW PARENTS OF MULTIPLE BIRTH SIBLINGS TO MAKE DECISIONS REGARDING PUBLIC SCHOOL CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE SIBLINGS.
SB321	P. Malone	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE PARENTAL MONITORS ON SCHOOL BUSES.
SB323	P. Malone	AN ACT TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO UPDATE SCHOOL POLICIES WHEN A LAW REGARDING CHILD ABUSE IS AMENDED OR IS ADDED TO THE ARKANSAS CODE.
SB337	L. Chesterfield	TO AMEND THE PROCESS FOR EVALUATING ARKANSAS PRESCHOOL AND PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS.
SB346	G. Baker	TO REMOVE THE LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF OPEN-ENROLLMENT CHARTER SCHOOLS AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB352	L. Chesterfield	TO INCLUDE INFORMATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REPORT ABOUT THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS PROVIDING REMEDIATION AND COLLEGE PREPARATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO TAKE THE ACT BEFORE THEIR SENIOR YEAR.
SB353	M. Lamoureux	TO CLARIFY FUNDING FOR ISOLATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
SB365	Teague	TO REPEAL THE ARKANSAS LOTTERY COMMISSION LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
SB383	J. Jeffress	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 6 CONCERNING PUBLIC EDUCATION.
HB1276	Biviano	TO ALLOW PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY DESIGNED TO PROTECT AND ENFORCE STATE LAW ON THE CAMPUS.
SB436	J. Jeffress	TO REQUIRE A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL TO SUBMIT PERIODIC REPORTS.
SB438	Laverty	TO PROHIBIT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FROM RECOUPING NET REVENUES FROM THE UNIFORM RATE OF TAX IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S NET REVENUE EXCEEDS THE FOUNDATION FUNDING AMOUNT.
HB1427	J. Brown	TO AMEND SCHOOL DISTRICT TEXTBOOK REQUIREMENTS TO INCLUDE DIGITAL RESOURCES.
SB527	J. Dismang	TO REQUIRE A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE IN-SERVICE TRAINING TO LICENSED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ON THE SIGNS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO CHILD VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE.

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SB549	Hendren	TO AMEND A TEACHER'S RIGHT TO APPEAL A SCHOOL BOARD RULING ON THE TEACHER'S TERMINATION OR NONRENEWAL OF THE TEACHER'S CONTRACT.
SB578	G. Baker	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM.
SB648	Lavery	TO ENSURE THAT ISOLATED SCHOOL FUNDING FOLLOWS THE STUDENT AFTER A CONSOLIDATION OR ANNEXATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
SB663	Crumbly	TO AMEND THE HIGH-PRIORITY SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHER INCENTIVES LAW.
SB681	J. Dismang	TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO HIRE AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT TO ADVISE THE DEPARTMENT ON METHODS OF PROVIDING STUDENT DATA TO THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH UNDER THE ARKANSAS SCHOLARSHIP LOTTERY ACT.
HB1454	J. Roebuck	TO CLARIFY WHAT INFORMATION SPECIFIC HIGHER EDUCATION RELATED REPORTS SHOULD CONTAIN; TO REQUIRE SOME HIGHER EDUCATION RELATED REPORTS TO BE UPDATED ANNUALLY.
SB719	G. Baker	CONCERNING THE TEACHER FAIR DISMISSAL ACT OF 1983.
HB1489	T. Steele	TO CLARIFY THE PURPOSES, DUTIES, AND OPERATIONS OF THE ARKANSAS STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY.
SB748	G. Baker	TO CLARIFY FUNDING FORMULA CALCULATIONS FOR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
SB766	G. Baker	TO CLARIFY FUNDING FORMULA CALCULATIONS FOR STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB787	G. Baker	CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS CHARTER SCHOOLS ACT OF 1999.
SB817	J. Jeffress	CONCERNING THE ADEQUACY OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM OF EDUCATION.
SB818	J. Jeffress	CONCERNING SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES.
SB825	J. Jeffress	CONCERNING FUNDING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
SB826	J. Jeffress	TO AMEND THE ACADEMIC FACILITIES PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM AND THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITIES PROGRAM.
SB832	G. Jeffress	CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 1989.
SB844	Rapert	TO ALLOW TRAINED AND LICENSED STAFF AND FACULTY TO CARRY A CONCEALED HANDGUN ON A UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.
SB850	Teague	CONCERNING THE BASIC MATHEMATICS REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE.
SB853	Rapert	TO IMMEDIATELY SUSPEND THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS; TO IMMEDIATELY SUSPEND THE CLOSURE OF SCHOOL CAMPUSES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB869	Lavery	TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 6 CONCERNING THE FUNDING OF TWO-YEAR COLLEGES.
SB878	Whitaker	TO ESTABLISH THE QUALIFICATIONS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.
SB884	J. Jeffress	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS.
SB888	D. Johnson	ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP REVENUE STABILIZATION ACT.
SB893	Salmon	CONCERNING ACADEMIC AND PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED BY INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
SB906	J. Key	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM -- PART 2.
SB908	J. Key	TO WITHHOLD STATE FUNDING FROM INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR FAILURE TO PROVIDE DATA TO THE BUREAU OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH UNDER THE ARKANSAS SCHOLARSHIP LOTTERY ACT.
SB914	G. Baker	CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 1989.
SB918	G. Jeffress	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE STATE BOARD OF PRIVATE CAREER EDUCATION.
SB931	Irvin	TO ENSURE THAT PARENTS AND GUARDIANS HAVE ACCESS TO ALL APPROPRIATE EDUCATIONAL RECORDS OF THEIR DEPENDENTS.
SB932	B. Pritchard	CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE FOR ARKANSAS STUDENTS.

SB933	Irvin	TO PROVIDE FOR THE REUNIFICATION OF TWO SCHOOLS IN THE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION SYSTEM.
SB957	Elliott	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CHARTER SCHOOLS ACT OF 1999.
SB967	Irvin	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE DISCLOSURE OF DEMOGRAPHIC PREFERENCES IN HIGHER EDUCATION.
HB1772	J. Roebuck	TO EXPAND THE ROGER PHILLIPS TRANSFER POLICY; TO STRENGTHEN THE COURSE TRANSFER SYSTEM AND ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE COMMON COURSE NUMBERING SYSTEM FOR POSTSECONDARY COURSES.
SB246	Madison	TO MAKE VARIOUS CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 CONCERNING EDUCATION.
SB171	Salmon	TO IMPROVE ARKANSAS HISTORY EDUCATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

PENDING FISCAL IMPACT

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB81	J. Jeffress	TO IMPROVE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ALTERNATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS.
SB303	J. Key	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2004.
SB726	B. Sample	TO ALLOW A PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT TO RETAIN THE REVENUES FROM THE UNIFORM RATE OF TAX WHEN THE REVENUES EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF PER STUDENT FOUNDATION FUNDING AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB729	Crumbly	TO ENSURE THAT STUDENTS MAKE SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
SB730	Elliott	TO REQUIRE AN EDUCATIONAL ADEQUACY IMPACT STATEMENT FOR PROPOSED BILLS THAT AFFECT THE STATE'S ABILITY TO PROVIDE AN EQUITABLE OPPORTUNITY FOR AN ADEQUATE EDUCATION IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB734	Whitaker	TO ESTABLISH COUNTYWIDE PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION.
SB737	L. Chesterfield	TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE ANNUAL SCHOOL PERFORMANCE REPORT REQUIREMENTS.
SB740	S. Flowers	TO ENHANCE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT PLANS.
SB743	M. Lamoureux	TO PROVIDE THAT STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES AND WHO TRANSFER BETWEEN SCHOOLS SHALL BE PRESUMED TO HAVE TRANSFERRED FOR BONA FIDE PURPOSES.
SB749	Elliott	TO ENSURE THAT CHILDREN WITH DYSLEXIA HAVE THEIR NEEDS MET BY THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM.
SB756	J. Jeffress	TO PLACE LIMITS ON THE AMOUNT AND DURATION OF CARRYOVER CATEGORICAL FUNDS.
SB774	G. Baker	TO ALLOW HOME-SCHOOLED STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES.
SB780	Salmon	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHERS AND TEACHERS WHO TEACH STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES.
SB786	J. Key	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 6 CONCERNING ARKANSAS PUBLIC SCHOOL ACADEMIC FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION.
SB788	J. Key	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE ACT OF 2004.
SB793	Elliott	TO EXPAND THE OBJECTIVES OF TEACHERS' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS.
SB795	G. Baker	TO ESTABLISH THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS ALLOWED TO ATTEND AN OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL THAT PRIMARILY USES A VIRTUAL TECHNOLOGY TEACHING METHOD AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB821	Senate Committee on Education	TO AMEND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING AMOUNTS FOR PER-STUDENT FOUNDATION FUNDING AND CATEGORICAL FUNDING AND PROVIDE ENHANCED TRANSPORTATION FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
SB822	J. Jeffress	TO REQUIRE GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY ON THE EXPENDITURE OF NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH ACT STUDENT CATEGORICAL FUNDS.
SB829	Elliott	TO AMEND § 6-17-2403; TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM TEACHER SALARY SCHEDULE; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

SB892	D. Johnson	TO CLARIFY ARKANSAS'S ANTIBULLYING POLICIES AND PROTECT STUDENT DIGNITY.
SB894	E. Williams	TO REQUIRE THAT SCHOOL ELECTIONS ARE HELD ON THE SAME DATE AS GENERAL ELECTIONS AND AMEND THE TERM FOR A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER.
SB897	P. Malone	TO CLARIFY THAT THE PROHIBITION AGAINST HAZING INCLUDES THE INITIATION INTO OR AFFILIATION WITH SPORTS PROGRAMS AND OTHER EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.
SB956	Elliott	TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REPORT GRADE INFLATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
SB991	Laverty	TO CLARIFY ARKANSAS CODE § 6-20-2305 CONCERNING THE RECOUPMENT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FOUNDATION FUNDING.
HB1433	J. Roebuck	TO ESTABLISH PERFORMANCE RATINGS FOR EDUCATION SERVICE COOPERATIVES.
HB1778	Leding	THE JASON FLATT ACT.

DEFERRED

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB99	Madison	TO PROVIDE FOR EMPLOYEES OF STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION WHO PAY IN EXCESS OF TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00) ANNUALLY FOR PARKING AT THEIR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT TO BE REIMBURSED.
SB712	E. Williams	TO ALLOW THE PARENT OF A MILITARY DEPENDENT WHO RESIDES ON A MILITARY BASE TO CHOOSE WHICH SCHOOL THE CHILD ATTENDS.