

AGENDA
Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor
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Monday, March 21, 2011
11:00 AM
Room 272, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Percy Malone, Chair
 Sen. Randy Laverty, Vice Chair
 Sen. Bill Pritchard
 Sen. Jack Crumbly

Sen. Cecile Bledsoe
 Sen. David Burnett
 Sen. Missy Irvin
 Sen. Jonathan Dismang

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS - MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2011

| Number | Sponsor | Subtitle |
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| SB777 | Burnett | AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT FOR SERVICES TO CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ACT. |
| SB157 | B. Pritchard | AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT APPLICANTS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS TEST NEGATIVE FOR ILLEGAL DRUG USE. |
| SB840 | Irvin | THE ABORTION-INDUCING DRUGS SAFETY ACT. |
| HB1810 | D. Hutchinson | JONATHAN'S LAW: TO ESTABLISH SAFETY STANDARDS FOR ANCHORING SOCCER GOALS ON PLAYGROUNDS AND OTHER RECREATION AREAS. |

REGULAR AGENDA

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| SB272 | Elliott | AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF FLUCTUATING WORKWEEK CALCULATIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE. |
| SB964 | Elliott | AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE MODIFICATION OF THE TAXABLE WAGE BASE UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW. |
| SB958 | Elliott | AN ACT TO CREATE A CULTURAL COMPETENCE INTERIM STUDY. |
| SB913 | G. Baker | AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS. |
| SB807 | J. Dismang | TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING ACCOUNTABLE CARE ORGANIZATIONS AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| SB951 | J. Dismang | AN ACT TO AMEND THE ABORTION LAWS IN ARKANSAS. |
| SB295 | P. Malone | CONCERNING PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THE INVESTIGATION OF LICENSE HOLDERS AND APPLICANTS OF THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY. |
| SB759 | P. Malone | AN ACT TO AMEND THE INFORMAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS FOR LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. |
| SB790 | P. Malone | TO REGULATE CEMETERIES. |
| SB939 | P. Malone | AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ASSESS A PROVIDER FEE ON PHARMACIES THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WOULD BE DEDICATED TO THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PHARMACY PROGRAM. |
| SB973 | S. Harrelson | AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INTERSTATE RECIPROCITY FOR LICENSURE OF PHARMACISTS AND PHARMACIES. |
| SB723 | J. Key | AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT. |

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| SB735 | J. Key | CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY. |
| SB789 | J. Key | TO PRESERVE THE PROFESSIONAL INDEPENDENCE OF A PHARMACIST AND A PHARMACY; TO PROHIBIT INTERFERENCE WITH THE PHARMACIST-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP OR THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE. |
| SB912 | J. Key | CONCERNING THE WASTE TIRE GRANT PROGRAM. |
| SB709 | Irvin | AN ACT TO CREATE THE HEALTHCARE REFORM ACCOUNTABILITY ACT AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| SB839 | Irvin | TO PROTECT PATIENTS BY ENSURING THAT PRIOR AUTHORIZATION PROCEDURES DO NOT INTRUDE ON THE PHYSICIAN-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP OR PUT COST SAVINGS AHEAD OF OPTIMAL PATIENT CARE. |
| SB550 | Salmon | TO REQUIRE PETS ADOPTED THROUGH A POUND, SHELTER, HUMANE ORGANIZATION, OR ANIMAL RESCUE GROUP TO BE STERILIZED BEFORE THE ADOPTION IS COMPLETE. |
| SB717 | Files | TO REQUIRE CERTAIN LICENSEES OF THE HVACR LICENSING BOARD TO ACQUIRE AND MAINTAIN GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE. |
| SB874 | Files | TO EXCLUDE FROM THE TERM "EMPLOYMENT" SERVICES PERFORMED BY INDIVIDUALS IN PRIVATE HOMES FOR ELDERLY, INFIRM, OR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS WHEN THE PERSON WAS REFERRED BY A HOME-CARE REFERRAL SERVICE. |
| SB638 | Files | CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF SERVICE SINKS IN CERTAIN BUILDINGS. |
| SB747 | Teague | TO REGULATE HEALTH INSURANCE AND IMPLEMENT HEALTH CARE REFORM. |
| SB293 | J. Jeffress | AN ACT TO CREATE A PRESUMPTION THAT FIREFIGHTERS WHO DEVELOP CERTAIN FORMS OF CANCER DEVELOPED THOSE CANCERS THROUGH THEIR WORK AS FIREFIGHTERS. |
| SB566 | J. Jeffress | TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE LICENSURE OF ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS. |
| SB567 | J. Jeffress | TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING PERMIT TO CONDUCT CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, OR MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRICAL WORK. |
| SB704 | B. Pritchard | ACT TO REINSTATE THE AUTHORITY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO SEIZE THE DRIVER'S LICENSE OF DRIVERS UNDER EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE CHARGED WITH MINOR IN POSSESSION. |
| SB705 | B. Pritchard | AN ACT TO AMEND THE REPORTING REQUIREMENT UNDER GARRETT'S LAW AND TO REQUIRE PHYSICIANS TO REPORT ALCOHOL USE BY A PREGNANT WOMAN WHO IS UNDER TWENTY-ONE (21) YEARS OF AGE. |
| SB778 | B. Pritchard | AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW ENACTED BY INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948 TO RESTORE THE STATUTORY INTENT OF THE 79TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY. |
| SB794 | B. Pritchard | TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING TOBACCO TREATMENT, PREVENTION, AND CESSATION. |
| SB924 | M. Lamoureux | TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF THE DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES. |
| SB925 | M. Lamoureux | AN ACT TO PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR THE DUE PROCESS RIGHTS OF MEDICAID PROVIDERS AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| SB340 | Lavery | TO ESTABLISH A MEDICAID PROVIDER FEE FOR DEVELOPMENTAL DAY TREATMENT CLINIC SERVICES. |
| SB342 | Lavery | TO ESTABLISH A MEDICAID PROVIDER FEE FOR CHILDREN'S HEALTH MANAGEMENT SERVICES. |
| SB727 | Madison | TO PROVIDE FOR THE COMPENSABILITY OF MENTAL INJURY OR ILLNESS FOR EMERGENCY RESPONDERS AND TO AMEND A PORTION OF THE ARKANSAS CODE WHICH RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948. |
| SB350 | Madison | CONCERNING THE SALE OF CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS CONTAINING BISPHENOL-A IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS. |
| SB845 | Rapert | AN ACT TO CREATE THE ABORTION PATIENTS' ENHANCED SAFETY ACT AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| HB1593 | Allen | AN ACT TO AMEND THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF THE TRANSITIONAL EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS. |
| HB1594 | Allen | AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT. |

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| HB1909 | Allen | AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| HB2028 | Perry | TO ESTABLISH CONSISTENCY IN THE LAWS CONCERNING ENGINEERS. |
| HB1839 | Nickels | AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF MISCLASSIFYING EMPLOYEES AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS AND TO INDIRECTLY AMEND INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948. |
| HB1905 | Woods | AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. |
| HB2005 | S. Meeks | AN ACT TO REQUIRE NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND REGISTERED VOTERS WHO LIVE WITHIN THREE MILES OF A PROPOSED NEW MOTOR VEHICLE RACING FACILITY. |
| HB1796 | Patterson | CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF A REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD. |
| HB1627 | Lampkin | AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING FUND ACT. |

DEFERRED BILLS

| Number | Sponsor | Subtitle |
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| SB830 | Elliott | AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE DENIAL OF HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PREEXISTING CONDITIONS. |
| SB808 | J. Dismang | TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING PEER REVIEW COMMITTEES. |
| SB813 | Bledsoe | TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN CONDUCT TO CONTROL THE PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT OR INDEPENDENT PRACTICE OF A HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| SB987 | Bledsoe | AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE'S MEDICAID PROGRAM. |
| SB880 | P. Malone | TO ENSURE THE CONTINUED LOCAL REGULATION OF HEALTH INSURANCE; TO IMPLEMENT ALL STATE-LAW ASPECTS OF FEDERAL HEALTHCARE REFORM; AND TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HEALTH BENEFITS EXCHANGE. |
| SB900 | P. Malone | AN ACT TO PROHIBIT SOLICITING, RECEIVING, OFFERING, OR PAYING ANYTHING OF VALUE TO INDUCE REFERRALS OF HEALTHCARE ITEMS OR SERVICES. |
| SB904 | P. Malone | TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HEALTH BENEFITS EXCHANGE; AND TO MAKE RELATED CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE ARKANSAS CODE. |
| SB988 | P. Malone | AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PROPER ANTIPSYCHOTIC USE ACT OF 2011. |
| SB1003 | P. Malone | AN ACT TO CREATE A BILL OF RIGHTS FOR ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN. |
| SB944 | S. Harrelson | TO CLARIFY THE ARKANSAS ACUPUNCTURE PRACTICES ACT, § 17-102-101 ET SEQ., AND RELATED TECHNIQUES. |
| SB865 | S. Harrelson | TO REQUIRE AN ASBESTOS SURVEY BEFORE A PERMIT MAY BE ISSUED FOR THE RENOVATION OR DEMOLITION OF A PUBLIC OR COMMERCIAL BUILDING AND TO REGULATE THE SURVEYING AND REMOVAL OF ASBESTOS IN BUILDINGS. |
| SB980 | J. Key | AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY WATER REGULATIONS. |
| SB87 | J. Key | CONCERNING QUALIFICATIONS AND DISQUALIFICATION FROM UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFITS WHEN BEING DISCHARGED FOR MISCONDUCT. |
| SB934 | Irvin | TO PROMOTE COMPETITION, INCREASE QUALITY, AND DECREASE COSTS IN THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKET. |
| SB983 | Irvin | AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE STATE'S MEDICAID PROGRAM. |
| SB989 | Burnett | TO REGULATE ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS; TO PROVIDE RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY FOR § 23-99-418, AS AMENDED BY ACT 196 OF 2011. |
| SB919 | Salmon | CONCERNING THE REAL-TIME ELECTRONIC LOG BOOK FOR A PHARMACY TO RECORD PURCHASES OF EPHEDRINE, PSEUDOEPHEDRINE, AND PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE. |
| SB959 | Salmon | REGARDING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR NURSES. |
| SB960 | Salmon | TO REQUIRE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT CONCERNING THE IMPACT OF ANY STATE ACTION THAT MAY IMPACT OR HARM THE ENVIRONMENT AND TO REGULATE STATE ACTIONS THAT MAY IMPACT OR HARM THE ENVIRONMENT. |
| SB824 | J. Jeffress | TO REQUIRE EMPLOYERS OF FIREFIGHTERS TO PROVIDE CANCER POLICIES FOR CERTAIN FORMS OF CANCER DEVELOPED THROUGH THEIR WORK AS FIREFIGHTERS. |

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| SB7 | G. Jeffress | TO REVISE ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION WORKERS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. |
| SB928 | M. Lamoureux | AN ACT TO DEFINE "DILIGENT ENFORCEMENT" FOR PURPOSES OF THE TOBACCO SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS ACT; § 19-12-101 ET SEQ. |
| SB929 | M. Lamoureux | TO REGULATE THE REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES. |
| SB978 | M. Lamoureux | AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE MEDICAID PROGRAM TO PROCESS DENTAL REVIEWS THROUGH ONLINE OR CLOUD-BASED SYSTEMS. |
| SB843 | Rapert | TO PROTECT UNBORN CHILDREN. |
| SB971 | Rapert | TO ESTABLISH A REASONABLE RESPONSE TIME FOR THE LAST EMPLOYER TO RESPOND TO THE NOTICE OF CLAIM FORM FILED WHEN A FORMER EMPLOYEE APPLIES FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| SB209 | E. Williams | AN ACT TO REQUIRE A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA, A GED, OR ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES TOWARD A GED WHILE RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS. |
| SB968 | Holland | TO SET ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR A PERSON TO RECEIVE A STATE BENEFIT AND TO ALLOW A PERSON WHO MIGHT NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A STATE BENEFIT TO DO SO ONLY IN INSTANCES OF EMERGENCY OR WHEN LIFE-SAVING MEASURES ARE REQUIRED. |
| SB98 | D. Wyatt | AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES TO ENTER INTO COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS. |