

**AGENDA**  
**House Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor**  
**88th General Assembly**  
**Regular Session, 2011**

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**Thursday, March 31, 2011**  
**10 MINUTES UPON ADJOURNMENT**  
**Room 130, State Capitol**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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**REGULAR AGENDA**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">SB807</a>	J. Dismang	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING ACCOUNTABLE CARE ORGANIZATIONS AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
<a href="#">SB843</a>	Rapert	AN ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HUMAN HEARTBEAT PROTECTION ACT AND TO PROTECT UNBORN CHILDREN.
<a href="#">SB845</a>	Rapert	AN ACT TO CREATE THE ABORTION PATIENTS' ENHANCED SAFETY ACT AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
<a href="#">SB901</a>	P. Malone	AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH BY REGULATING THE PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OF NONHUMAN PRIMATES.
<a href="#">SB840</a>	Irvin	THE ABORTION-INDUCING DRUGS SAFETY ACT.

**PLACED ON THE TABLE**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">SB113</a>	Bledsoe	AN ACT TO PROHIBIT HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE POLICIES FROM OFFERING COVERAGE FOR ABORTIONS EXCEPT THROUGH A SEPARATE RIDER.

**DEFERRED BILLS**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">HB1800</a>	King	TO ENACT THE AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE ACT.
<a href="#">HB1801</a>	King	TO ENACT THE MANDATED HEALTH BENEFITS REVIEW ACT.
<a href="#">HB1445</a>	Nickels	TO CREATE CRIMINAL PROCEDURES AND PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO PROVIDE WAGES, FINAL COMPENSATION, OR WAGE SUPPLEMENTS TO AN EMPLOYEE.
<a href="#">HB1600</a>	Hyde	TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE FOR INDIVIDUALS UNDER NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE.
<a href="#">HB1324</a>	Nickels	THE EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION ACT.
<a href="#">HB1325</a>	Nickels	AN ACT TO ADDRESS THE PRACTICE OF MISCLASSIFYING EMPLOYEES AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS FOR PURPOSES OF WORKER'S COMPENSATION AND TO INDIRECTLY AMEND INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948.
<a href="#">HB1247</a>	B. Wilkins	AN ACT TO ENSURE THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF EXEMPTIONS FROM THE REQUIREMENTS TO TEST NEWBORN INFANTS AND FROM THE REQUIREMENTS TO IMMUNIZE NURSING HOME RESIDENTS.
<a href="#">HB1308</a>	Allen	AN ACT TO CREATE THE MEDICAID GENERIC DRUG COMPETITION AND SAVINGS ACT

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AND TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO CREATE COMPETITIVE BID PROCESS FOR GENERIC DRUGS FOR MEDICAID RECIPIENT.

[HB1217](#) Tyler AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES TO BILL MEDICAID DIRECTLY FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES.

[HB1029](#) D. Altes AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM.

[HB1043](#) D. Altes TO ENACT THE REUSABLE SHOPPING BAG ACT; TO PROHIBIT A STORE FROM PROVIDING A SINGLE-USE CARRYOUT BAG TO A CUSTOMER; TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF REUSABLE BAGS.

[HB1054](#) D. Altes TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES TO CONDUCT REEMPLOYMENT INTERVIEWS TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.

[HB1057](#) D. Altes AN ACT TO REQUIRE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND.

[HB1058](#) D. Altes AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW CONCERNING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.

[HB1249](#) D. Altes AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW CONCERNING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.

[HB1053](#) D. Meeks AN ACT TO ENSURE FREEDOM OF CHOICE IN HEALTH CARE FOR ALL ARKANSANS; AND TO PREVENT INVOLUNTARY ENROLLMENTS IN HEALTH CARE INSURANCE PROGRAMS.

[HB1205](#) Mauch THE ARKANSAS WATER ADDITIVE ACCOUNTABILITY ACT.

[HB1932](#) T. Thompson TO MODIFY THE LAW CONCERNING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

[HB2022](#) Nickels TO BRING SOLVENCY TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND, THE UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND, AND THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY SPECIAL FUND; AND TO FUND CLAIMS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.

[HB2080](#) Hobbs TO PROMOTE COMPETITION, INCREASE QUALITY, AND DECREASE COSTS IN THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKET.

[HB2086](#) J. Burris AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE MINIMUM WAGE LAW CONCERNING BUSINESS SPECIFIC ADJUSTMENTS TO THE MINIMUM WAGE.

[HB2090](#) Shepherd TO REQUIRE THAT CERTAIN PERSONS BE GIVEN NOTICE OF BIDS ON BUILDING PROJECTS OF THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE.

[HB2091](#) Shepherd TO REQUIRE CERTAIN PERSONS WORKING ON BUILDING PROJECTS OF THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE TO DISCLOSE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.

[HB2092](#) Shepherd TO REQUIRE THE PURCHASE OF ARKANSAS PRODUCTS FOR BUILDING PROJECTS OF THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

[HB2100](#) Allen AN ACT TO CREATE AN OPT-OUT HIV SCREENING PROGRAM.

[HB2104](#) Woods TO AUTHORIZE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO ENFORCE THE FEDERAL AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE.

[HB2114](#) Summers AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE ROLE OF PHARMACISTS WITH REGARD TO EPHEDRINE, PSEUDOEPHEDRINE, OR PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE.

[HB2129](#) Hyde TO REFORM THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS OF THE STATE AND TO ASSIST THE FUNDING OF UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.

[HB2133](#) Powers TO DEFINE THE RELATIONSHIP OF AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR WITH A TRUCKING COMPANY THAT HE OR SHE MAY HAVE A LEASE AGREEMENT AND ENSURE THAT THE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR HAS ACCESS TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE.

[HB2204](#) Sanders TO REGULATE THE PERFECTION, FILING, AND ENFORCEMENT OF MECHANIC'S AND MATERIALMEN'S LIENS; AND TO CLARIFY THE STATE'S LIEN LAWS.

[HB1405](#) Webb TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECOVERY AND RECYCLING OF USED COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

[HB1789](#) Tyler AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCEDURES FOR RECOUPMENT OF COSTS UNDER THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY AUDIT BILL OF RIGHTS.

[HB2187](#) Patterson TO REGULATE EXEMPTIONS OF THE REAL ESTATE LICENSING LAW.

<a href="#">HB1788</a>	Harris	TO ALLOW THE INCIDENTAL SALE OF WHOLE MILK THAT IS NOT PASTEURIZED AND TO ALLOW THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH TO MAKE RULES FOR THE SALES.
<a href="#">HB1830</a>	McLean	AN ACT TO RESTORE THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION CONCESSION FOR CHIROPRACTIC TO THE PREVIOUS LEVEL.
<a href="#">HB1938</a>	Nickels	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE JURISDICTION OF THE CONTRACTORS LICENSING BOARD.
<a href="#">HB2132</a>	Clemmer	AN ACT TO EXTEND THE THIRTY-DAY DISQUALIFICATION PERIOD FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS AFTER DISCHARGE FOR MISCONDUCT.
<a href="#">HB1840</a>	Rice	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.
<a href="#">HB2212</a>	Powers	TO REGULATE MOTOR CARRIERS IN RELATION TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS.
<a href="#">HB1987</a>	Allen	TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF CONSUMER CREDIT INFORMATION FOR EMPLOYMENT PURPOSES.
<a href="#">HB2009</a>	Hubbard	THE ARKANSAS LEGAL WORKER'S ACT.
<a href="#">SB408</a>	P. Malone	AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT CONSUMERS ARE NOTIFIED WHEN HAMBURGER MEAT IS NOT HEATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STANDARDS.
<a href="#">HB1940</a>	Nickels	TO REESTABLISH FAIRNESS, TRANSPARENCY, AND COMPETITION IN THE BIDDING PRACTICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLICLY FUNDED BUILDINGS, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND FACILITIES.
<a href="#">HB1728</a>	Carter	AN ACT TO SPECIFY MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS AND TO AMEND REQUIREMENTS FOR RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS FOR DISCHARGE FOR ABSENTEEISM, MISCONDUCT, AND FAILURE TO ACCEPT SUITABLE WORK.
<a href="#">HB1831</a>	McLean	AN ACT TO ALLOW MEDICAID RECIPIENTS DIRECT ACCESS TO A CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN WITHOUT REFERRAL FROM A PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN.
<a href="#">HB1475</a>	McLean	AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE ASSISTANCE THAT CHIROPRACTIC AIDES PROVIDE TO LICENSED CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIANS.
<a href="#">HB2218</a>	Catlett	CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN RESPONDING TO HIGHWAY EMERGENCIES, THE RECOVERY OF COSTS IN RESPONDING TO EMERGENCIES, AND CLARIFYING ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION.
<a href="#">HB1939</a>	Nickels	TO ENHANCE THE REGULATION OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS; TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS THAT ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.
<a href="#">HB2152</a>	Nickels	TO PROVIDE PROTECTION TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMANTS AGAINST RETALIATORY DISCRIMINATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
<a href="#">HB1872</a>	Collins-Smith	AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS OF ARKANSAS CONCERNING ABORTION.
<a href="#">HB1444</a>	Wright	AN ACT TO ELIMINATE A GROWING EPIDEMIC IN THE PURCHASE OF PSEUDOEPHEDRINE AND SIMILAR DRUGS.
<a href="#">HB1887</a>	Mayberry	AN ACT TO CREATE THE PAIN-CAPABLE UNBORN CHILD PROTECTION ACT AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
<a href="#">HB2159</a>	Stubblefield	TO ESTABLISH THE PREGNANT WOMAN'S PROTECTION ACT.
<a href="#">HB1979</a>	Westerman	AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ABORTIONS IN STATE-OWNED HEALTHCARE FACILITIES.
<a href="#">HB1983</a>	D. Meeks	AN ACT TO CREATE THE HEALTHCARE FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE ACT.
<a href="#">HB2210</a>	Murdock	REGULATE THE FAIRNESS AND COMPETITION IN CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT.