

**AGENDA (Revised 3/5/15 @ 3/5/15 @ 4:55 PM
Added Bills and Changed Time)
House Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs
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**Friday, March 06, 2015
10:00 AM
Room 151, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas**

Rep. Nate Bell, Chair
Rep. Richard Womack, Vice Chair
Rep. Kelley Linck
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw
Rep. Mary P. "Prissy" Hickerson
Rep. John W. Walker

Rep. Charlotte V. Douglas
Rep. Chris Richey
Rep. Stephen Magie
Rep. Jim Dotson
Rep. Eddie L. Armstrong
Rep. Josh Miller
Rep. Mike Holcomb

Rep. Bob Ballinger
Rep. Jack Ladyman
Rep. R. Trevor Drown
Rep. Michelle Gray
Rep. Dwight Tosh
Rep. Lanny Fite
Rep. Camille Bennett

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1422	Bell	TO PROMOTE VOTER TURNOUT; AND TO AMEND THE LAW TO LIMIT THE DATES ON WHICH CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTIONS CAN BE HELD.
HB1440	Dotson	TO REDUCE THE FEE FOR A CONCEALED CARRY LICENSE; AND TO CREATE A LIFETIME CONCEALED CARRY LICENSE.
SB365	Elliott	TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION AND THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION TO PAY FOR THE ACCRUED LEAVE OF AN OFFICER WHO DIES IN THE LINE OF DUTY.
HB1054	Bell	TO PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS; TO ENSURE THAT CLOSED MEETINGS HELD BY PUBLIC ENTITIES ARE CONDUCTED LAWFULLY; AND TO AMEND SECTIONS OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967.
HJR1001	House	AN APPLICATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNDER ARTICLE V OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION FOR A CONVENTION FOR PROPOSING AMENDMENTS.
HB1405	Bentley	CONCERNING FEES AND COSTS COLLECTED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.
HB1119	Love	TO ELIMINATE THE DUAL STATUS OF THE STATE HOLIDAY CELEBRATING ROBERT E. LEE'S BIRTHDAY ON THE SAME DAY AS THE STATE HOLIDAY CELEBRATING THE BIRTHDAY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
HR1031	G. Hodges	TO URGE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PROPOSE THE REGULATION FREEDOM AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.
SB476	Hickey	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES; TO AMEND THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE PROCUREMENTS; AND TO MAKE RELATED CHANGES.
HB1616	Love	TO PROVIDE FOR AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION; AND TO AMEND AMENDMENT 51 OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION.
SB723	Hickey	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT.
HB1233	Della Rosa	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE FILING OF CERTAIN REPORTS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND TO AMEND PORTIONS OF LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996.
HB1665	Bennett	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ABANDONED PROPERTY; AND TO ALTER THE METHOD BY WHICH NOTICE OF THE ABANDONMENT OF PROPERTY IS PUBLISHED.
HB1669	Womack	TO PROMOTE THE RIGHTS GUARANTEED BY THE FIRST AMENDMENT OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION; AND TO PROTECT A CITIZEN'S RIGHT TO OBSERVE AND RECORD PUBLIC EVENTS.
HB1682	Tucker	TO ALLOW A VOTER TO REGISTER TO VOTE ON THE DAY OF AN ELECTION OR DURING EARLY VOTING; AND TO AMEND AMENDMENT 51 OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION.

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HB1687	Ballinger	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING BALLOT QUESTIONS; AND TO ADD CLARITY TO THE FORMAT OF A BALLOT QUESTION.
HB1688	Ballinger	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS; AND TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR CIRCULATION OF MUNICIPAL INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM PETITIONS.
SB636	J. Woods	TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE HEADQUARTERS FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT FINANCING ACT; TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

PENDING ACTUARIAL STUDY

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1401	Love	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DEATH BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1271	Harris	TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF VARIOUS STATE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS; AND TO REQUIRE THE ELECTION OF SOME MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.
HB1425	Tucker	TO REQUIRE REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE OF ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

EDUCATION FINANCING

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HJR1013	Bell	A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF AN ADEQUATE EDUCATION TO ARKANSAS STUDENTS.

ELECTIONS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HJR1012	Bell	A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT LAWS GOVERNING ELECTIONS IN WHICH THERE IS ONLY ONE CANDIDATE FOR AN OFFICE.
HJR1020	Leding	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE USE OF VOTING BY MAIL AT ELECTIONS.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HJR1023	Hammer	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE PROSECUTION OF CERTAIN ALLEGED OFFENSES COMMITTED BY PUBLIC SERVANTS.

FISCAL SESSIONS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HJR1002	D. Douglas	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO ABOLISH THE FISCAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEET EVERY TWO (2) YEARS.

JUDICIAL

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HJR1005	Shepherd	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE PROCESS FOR SELECTING A JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT; AND AMENDING PROVISIONS CONCERNING SERVICE ON THE SUPREME COURT.
HJR1006	Branscum	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO DEFINE THE TERM "INFAMOUS CRIME" AS USED IN ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 9.

[HJR1015](#) Dotson A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING THE ELECTION OF JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Number **Sponsor** **Subtitle**
[HJR1008](#) Gates AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO DETERMINE THE MANNER OF PUBLISHING NOTICES REQUIRED BY VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION.

PROPERTY TAX

Number **Sponsor** **Subtitle**
[HJR1021](#) Leding PROPOSING TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO EXEMPT CERTAIN TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM THE AD VALOREM TAX.
[HJR1022](#) C. Armstrong PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAXES FOR CERTAIN VETERANS.

STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AND GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

Number **Sponsor** **Subtitle**
[HJR1017](#) Dotson AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION SHALL BE GOVERNED IN THE SAME MANNER AS ALL OTHER STATE AGENCIES.
[HJR1018](#) Dotson AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE GOVERNANCE OF STATE AGENCIES.
[HJR1019](#) Dotson AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION SHALL BE GOVERNED IN THE SAME MANNER AS ALL OTHER STATE AGENCIES.

TERM LIMITS

Number **Sponsor** **Subtitle**
[HJR1027](#) Ladyman PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS.

TORT REFORM

Number **Sponsor** **Subtitle**
[HJR1009](#) Davis A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT LAWS CONCERNING RULES OF PLEADING, PRACTICE, AND PROCEDURE IN CIVIL CASES.
[HJR1010](#) Davis A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING COURT RULES AND PROCEDURES APPLICABLE TO CIVIL CLAIMS.
[HJR1011](#) Davis A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT LAWS REGULATING THE AWARD OF DAMAGES IN CIVIL CASES.
[HJR1014](#) Dotson AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING JUDICIAL PROCEDURES PERTAINING TO CIVIL LITIGATION.
[HJR1016](#) Davis AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF STATE GOVERNMENT.

VOTER IDENTIFICATION

Number **Sponsor** **Subtitle**
[HJR1007](#) Lowery AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION REQUIRING THE PRESENTATION OF CERTAIN IDENTIFICATION WHEN CASTING A BALLOT.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Number **Sponsor** **Subtitle**
[SJR1](#) E. Williams AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING CIVIL CLAIMS AND COURT PROCEDURES.

SJR2	A. Clark	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING TERM LIMITS FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
SJR3	E. Williams	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW THE GOVERNOR TO RETAIN HIS OR HER POWERS AND DUTIES WHEN ABSENT FROM THE STATE.
SJR4	J. Hendren	A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROVIDING THAT AMENDMENT 33, SECTION 2, DOES NOT APPLY TO A BOARD OR COMMISSION CHARGED WITH THE MANAGEMENT OR CONTROL OF A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
SJR5	B. King	PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS.
SJR6	A. Clark	A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO ALLOW LOTTERY PROCEEDS TO BE USED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS TO VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOLS, TECHNICAL INSTITUTES, AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES LOCATED WITHIN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.
SJR7	B. King	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING VOTER IDENTIFICATION WHEN CASTING A BALLOT IN PERSON.
SJR8	B. King	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING COURT PROCEDURES APPLICABLE TO CIVIL LITIGATION.
SJR9	K. Ingram	A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF DAYS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS IN SESSION; AND REPEALING THE FISCAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
SJR10	K. Ingram	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING RETIREMENT SALARY AND PENSION FUNDS FOR MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS AND MUNICIPAL FIREFIGHTERS.
SJR11	B. King	A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING THE SELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS STATE GAME AND FISH COMMISSION.
SJR12	E. Williams	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE POWER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT CERTAIN LAWS PERTAINING TO THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT.
SJR13	Hester	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION PROVIDING THAT PERSONS ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF SHALL SERVE A TERM OF FOUR (4) YEARS.
SJR14	J. Hutchinson	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING LIMITATIONS ON THE AWARD OF PUNITIVE DAMAGES IN CIVIL CASES.
SJR15	D. Johnson	A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING COURT PROCEDURES PERTAINING TO CIVIL CLAIMS.
SJR16	J. Woods	THE ARKANSAS JOB CREATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT OF 2016.