

AGENDA (Revised 3-19-2015, 8:05 a.m.)
TIME CHANGE
House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor
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Thursday, March 19, 2015
09:00 AM
Room 130, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Rep. Kelley Linck, Chair
 Rep. Deborah Ferguson, Vice Chair
 Rep. Fredrick J. Love
 Rep. Jeff Wardlaw
 Rep. Kim Hammer
 Rep. David L. Branscum

Rep. David Meeks
 Rep. Betty Overbey
 Rep. Chris Richey
 Rep. Stephen Magie
 Rep. Josh Miller
 Rep. Richard Womack
 Rep. Ken Bragg

Rep. Charlene Fite
 Rep. John Payton
 Rep. Robin Lundstrum
 Rep. Mary Bentley
 Rep. Justin Boyd
 Rep. Ken Henderson
 Rep. Dan Sullivan

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS - Thursday, MARCH 19, 2015

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1343	C. Fite	TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE LAW REGARDING HEARING INSTRUMENT DISPENSERS.
SB133	Bledsoe	TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF TELEMEDICINE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1747	Sullivan	TO INCREASE ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE AND REDUCE HEALTHCARE COSTS; TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF TELEMEDICINE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB688	Caldwell	TO AMEND THE LAWS REGARDING MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COST LISTS; AND TO CREATE ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICING.
HB1555	Harris	TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "PRESCRIPTION" UNDER THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY ACT; AND TO ENSURE THE PROTECTION OF PATIENTS WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES.

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1465	Hammer	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS STROKE CENTER DESIGNATION ACT.
HB1491	D. Whitaker	TO ALLOW A NONPROFIT HOSPITAL TO OPERATE A DENTAL CLINIC.
HB1540	Lundstrum	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
HB1566	Miller	TO ALLOW PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANTS THE OPTION OF WORKING MORE THAN FORTY (40) HOURS PER WEEK UNDER THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
HB1578	Lundstrum	TO REPEAL AND REPLACE THE WOMAN'S RIGHT TO KNOW ACT OF 2001; AND TO PROVIDE FOR VOLUNTARY AND INFORMED CONSENT FOR AN ABORTION.
HB1421	Bentley	TO ESTABLISH THE ABORTION PROVIDERS' ADMITTING PRIVILEGES ACT.
HB1396	D. Meeks	TO ESTABLISH THE HEALTH CARE COMPACT.
SB268	K. Ingram	TO PROMOTE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF STUDENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES THROUGH THE USE OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR COACHES.
HB1615	Love	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK EXEMPTIONS APPLICABLE TO A VARIETY OF HEALTHCARE SERVICE PROVIDERS.
HB1617	Love	TO TRANSFER THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS; AND TO CREATE A BARBER TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
HB1618	Copeland	TO LIMIT THE USE OF CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS INFORMATION; AND TO INCREASE OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMPLOYMENT FOR PERSONS WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS.

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HB1658	J. Mayberry	TO CREATE THE TASK FORCE ON ALPHA-GAL.
HB1686	L. Fite	TO ESTABLISH A PALLIATIVE CARE PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH; AND TO CREATE THE PALLIATIVE CARE AND QUALITY OF LIFE INTERDISCIPLINARY TASK FORCE.
SB631	Hester	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COST OF WORK AND MATERIALS REQUIRING A GENERAL CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE.
HB1736	Dotson	AN ACT TO ALLOW MEDICAID RECIPIENTS DIRECT ACCESS TO A CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN WITHOUT REFERRAL FROM A PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN.
HB1749	Miller	TO REDESIGN CURRENT HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE PROGRAMS; TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS COMMUNITY FIRST CHOICE PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1277	Leding	TO CREATE THE RIGHT TO WAGES EARNED ACT.
HB1293	Leding	TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE LAW REGARDING LICENSURE OF SOCIAL WORKERS.
HB1768	Shepherd	TO AMEND THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW ENACTED BY INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948 AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1785	Baltz	AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT APPLICANTS FOR AND RECIPIENTS OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TEST NEGATIVE FOR ILLEGAL DRUG USE.
HB1868	Hammer	TO CREATE A CONTRACEPTION INCENTIVE FOR MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES.
HB1160	Hammer	TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE; AND TO CREATE AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE SUBCOMMITTEE IN THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING.
HB1192	Leding	TO AMEND THE RIGHT TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A SERVICE ANIMAL.
HB1276	Leding	TO CREATE THE RIGHT TO KNOW YOUR PAY ACT.
HB1924	Miller	TO ESTABLISH THE DRUG TESTING ACT OF 2015.
HB1953	Fielding	TO CREATE THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY.
HB2001	Womack	TO STIMULATE JOB CREATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WHILE PRESERVING HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB569	G. Stubblefield	TO BAR THE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS BY THE STATE TO CERTAIN ENTITIES.
HB1142	C. Douglas	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS SURGICAL TECHNOLOGISTS ACT.
HB1533	D. Ferguson	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PHYSICIAN ORDER FOR LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT ACT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF A PHYSICIAN ORDER FOR LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT FORM.
SB394	L. Chesterfield	TO EXPAND PUBLIC ACCESS TO AUTO-INJECTABLE EPINEPHRINE; AND TO EXPAND IMMUNITY TO INCLUDE AN AUTHORIZED ENTITY THAT PROVIDES PRESCRIBED AUTO-INJECTABLE EPINEPHRINE.
SB543	Rapert	TO CREATE THE JOSHUA ASHLEY-PAULEY ACT.
SB786	S. Flowers	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REPORT OF A DEATH OF A CHILD.
SB913	Hester	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYMENT" UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
HB1426	Tucker	TO PERMIT PAID MATERNITY LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1639	Lampkin	TO ADJUST THE POST-CLOSURE TRUST FUND.
HB1679	Gates	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS.
HB1876	Hammer	TO REQUIRE A STUDENT ENTERING INTO A MEDICAL PROFESSION EDUCATION PROGRAM TO UNDERGO A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK DURING THE APPLICATION PROCESS AND BEFORE LICENSURE.
SB145	B. Sample	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY; AND TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY.
SB600	B. Johnson	TO ESTABLISH THE DRUG SCREENING AND TESTING ACT OF 2015.
HB1711	Talley	TO REGULATE EMBALMING, CREMATING, FUNERAL DIRECTING, TRANSPORTING

HUMAN REMAINS, THE OPERATION OF FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENTS, CREMATORIUMS, TRANSPORT SERVICES, AND THE STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS.

HB1604	Magie	TO CREATE THE COMBATING PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE ACT; AND TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM.
HB1887	Lemons	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SUICIDE PREVENTION.
SB717	Irvin	TO ENHANCE THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM ACT.
SB842	D. Sanders	TO EXEMPT SERVICES PROVIDED BY CERTAIN LEGALLY ADMITTED ALIENS FROM THE DEFINITION OF EMPLOYMENT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
SB880	Rapert	TO ENHANCE THE EMERGENCY SERVICES OF FIRST RESPONDERS; TO CREATE THE NALOXONE ACCESS ACT; AND TO PROVIDE IMMUNITY FOR PRESCRIBING, DISPENSING, AND ADMINISTERING NALOXONE AND OTHER OPIOID ANTAGONISTS.
SB912	Hester	TO PROHIBIT ADVERTISEMENT OF THE RESULTS OF A SURVEY, INSPECTION, OR INVESTIGATION OF A LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY.
HB1867	Hammer	TO ESTABLISH A HOSPICE DRUG DISPOSAL PROCEDURE.
HB1877	Hammer	TO ESTABLISH A MEDICAID PROGRAM CLAIM SCRUBBING PROCESS.
HB1843	Murdock	TO PROMOTE FAIRNESS IN THE BIDDING PRACTICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLICLY FUNDED PROJECTS; AND TO REQUIRE JUSTIFICATION OF AWARDING A PUBLICLY FUNDED PROJECT TO A BIDDER OTHER THAN THE LOW BIDDER.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1055	House	TO SIMPLIFY LICENSURE PROCEDURES FOR PLUMBERS BY ENSURING THAT A PLUMBER'S LICENSE ALLOWS A PLUMBER TO PERFORM ALL PLUMBING SERVICES.
HB1172	Hammer	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW REGARDING THE PROMULGATION OF CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE RULES CONCERNING HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS.
HB1181	Copeland	TO CREATE THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE ACT EXPANSION REPEAL AND PHASE-OUT ACT OF 2015; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1262	Miller	TO TERMINATE THE MEDICAID EXPANSION PROGRAM COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE "PRIVATE OPTION"; TO TERMINATE ARKANSAS'S PARTICIPATION IN MEDICAID EXPANSION; AND TO REPEAL THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE ACT OF 2013.
HB1165	Gonzales	TO AMEND THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF AN ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE AND A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT.
HB1311	Gates	TO END ENROLLMENT IN THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM; TO RESTORE MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAMS PREVIOUSLY ENDED DUE TO THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1398	Pitsch	TO CREATE AN UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION CREDIT FOR EMPLOYERS THAT HIRE CERTAIN PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.
HB1120	Magie	TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT ACT.