

AGENDA (Revised 03/26/15 @ 6:00 p.m.)

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(Added and Deleted Bills)

**Senate Committee on Education
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UPON ADJOURNMENT OF SENATE
Room 207, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas**

Sen. Jane English, Chair
Sen. Uvalde Lindsey, Vice Chair
Sen. Eddie Joe Williams
Sen. Alan Clark

Sen. Bobby J. Pierce
Sen. Jim Hendren
Sen. Eddie Cheatham
Sen. Blake Johnson

RE-REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB615	G. Stubblefield	TO ESTABLISH THAT THE EMERGENCY OR SECURITY PLAN FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTION IS EXEMPT FROM THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

CONCUR IN HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB894	Files	TO PROMOTE PARTICIPATION IN INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB999	Maloch	TO CREATE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT CONCERNING WORKING PAPERS RELATED TO AUDIT REPORTS FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB218	A. Clark	TO ESTABLISH THE STUDENT DATA ACCESSIBILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT.
SB774	Elliott	TO MODIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARDING THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM — PART 2 IF THERE ARE INSUFFICIENT FUNDS.
SB776	Elliott	TO PROVIDE FOR IN-STATE, IN-COUNTY, IN-DISTRICT, LOCAL, OR RESIDENT TUITION FOR VETERANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, REGARDLESS OF RESIDENCE.
SB851	Elliott	TO AMEND THE PURPOSES FOR NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH STATE CATEGORICAL FUNDING; AND TO SUPPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAMS THAT IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.
SB870	J. Hendren	TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.
SB930	L. Chesterfield	TO ESTABLISH THE FAIR DISMISSAL ACT FOR EMPLOYEES AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
SB951	Elliott	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING A SYSTEM-WIDE ASSESSMENT OF UNDERSERVED GEOGRAPHIC AREAS.
SB955	J. Hutchinson	TO AMEND THE FREE TEXTBOOK ACT OF 1975; AND TO ADD A DEFINITION OF "DEPOSITORY".
SB958	Files	TO ADOPT THE MANPOWER SPORTS STUDENT PROTECTION ACT.
HB1539	Della Rosa	TO PROVIDE FOR PETITION FOR EARLY ADMISSION TO KINDERGARTEN UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

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HB1545	Sabin	TO CLARIFY THAT THE TEACHER COMPENSATION SCHEDULE, NOT THE STATE GRADE CLASSIFICATION SCALE, AND LOW-INCOME SCHOOL STATUS ARE APPLICABLE TO THE C-STEP PROGRAM AND THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD YOUTH CHALLENGE PROGRAM.
HB1663	Cozart	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING AMOUNTS; TO ESTABLISH ENHANCED TRANSPORTATION FUNDING; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1596	C. Douglas	TO REQUIRE A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE UP TO TEN (10) LEGISLATIVE DAYS PER SCHOOL YEAR PER SCHOOL DISTRICT.
HB1892	G. Hodges	TO PROVIDE A RIGHT OF COUNSEL FOR STUDENTS DURING DISCIPLINARY APPEAL PROCEEDINGS AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
HB1586	C. Douglas	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONSOLIDATION LIST FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
HB1623	Cozart	TO AMEND THE MINIMUM TEACHER COMPENSATION SCHEDULE.
HB1650	Ratliff	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR LICENSED PERSONNEL AND CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
HB1651	Ratliff	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TEACHER LICENSURE, TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS, AND EDUCATOR ETHICS VIOLATIONS.
HB1652	Ratliff	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE TEACHER EXCELLENCE AND SUPPORT SYSTEM.
HB1583	Gossage	TO AMEND THE LAWS PERTAINING TO A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER; TO AMEND THE LAWS PERTAINING TO JURISDICTION TO MAKE AN ARREST OR ISSUE A CITATION; TO PERMIT THE ISSUANCE OF A CITATION BY A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER ON A SCHOOL TRIP.
HB1694	C. Fite	TO ALLOW SCHOOL DISTRICT ENROLLMENT BY FOSTER CHILDREN; TO ALLOW THE PAYMENT OF STATE FOUNDATION FUNDING; AND TO ENSURE CONTINUITY OF EDUCATION.
HB1778	Tosh	TO REQUIRE A STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT REQUIRES COMPLETION OF AN ESSAY FOR AN INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIP TO RETAIN THE ESSAY FOR ONE (1) YEAR.
HB1791	Vines	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING HAZING.
HB1552	House	TO ESTABLISH THE SUCCEED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES.
HB1664	G. Hodges	TO PRESERVE COMPETITION IN SELLING GROUP INSURANCE POLICIES TO INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
HB1991	C. Douglas	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING DUTY-FREE LUNCH PERIODS FOR CLASSIFIED SCHOOL EMPLOYEES.
SB895	Files	ACT TO AMEND THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM — PART 2.

DEFERRED

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB3	Hickey	TO MODIFY THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - PART 2; AND TO CLARIFY FUNDING AMOUNTS AND PROVISIONS.
SB176	A. Clark	TO MODIFY THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR A PERSON TO SERVE AS THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION.
SB369	J. English	TO REMOVE THE DUTY OF THE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD TO DETERMINE SERVICE AREAS FOR TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ELIMINATE SERVICE AREAS FOR TWO-YEAR COLLEGES AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.
SB370	J. English	TO ALLOW SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO USE CERTAIN CATEGORICAL FUNDS FOR PARTNERSHIPS WITH STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO

SB372	J. English	OFFER CONCURRENT COURSES OR OTHER TECHNICAL EDUCATION OPTIONS. TO REMOVE THE DUTY OF THE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD TO DETERMINE SERVICE AREAS FOR TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ELIMINATE SERVICE AREAS FOR TWO-YEAR COLLEGES AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.
SB374	Elliott	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TESTING AND ASSESSMENTS USED IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

SHELL BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB715	Maloch	TO MODIFY THE FUNDING FORMULA MODEL FOR UNIVERSITIES.
SB799	Rapert	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING CLASSIFIED AND NON-CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES OF STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
SB884	B. Pierce	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCOUNTANTS WHO WORK WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
SB890	J. English	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION.
SB919	G. Stubblefield	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO PROVIDE THAT EMERGENCY AND SECURITY PLANS FOR POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967.
SB921	A. Clark	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL ASSESSMENT AND TESTING.
SB922	A. Clark	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING MATHEMATICS STANDARDS AND CURRICULUM FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS.
SB923	B. Pierce	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCOUNTANTS WHO WORK WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
SB929	L. Chesterfield	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS AND QUALITY; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ACT 1467 OF 2003.
SB940	Irvin	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS.
SB945	A. Clark	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS FOR WORLD HISTORY AND AMERICAN HISTORY.
SB971	Hester	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZER.
SB979	Burnett	TO AMEND TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE.
SB981	Collins-Smith	CONCERNING SCHOOL SECURITY AND SCHOOL CRISIS RESPONSE TRAINING; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB1007	Collins-Smith	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING UNITED STATES HISTORY COURSES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
SB1020	L. Chesterfield	TO PROVIDE VARIOUS OPTIONS FOR PARENTS, STUDENTS, PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHEN A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR SCHOOL DISTRICT IS TAKEN OVER OR OTHERWISE RECONFIGURED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
SB1051	L. Chesterfield	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE PUBLIC EDUCATION SCHOOL SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.