

AGENDA (Revised 3/15/17 @ 1:00 p.m. Added Referred Bills)
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Rep. Dwight Tosh
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RE-REFERRED

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB373	Hester	TO EXEMPT ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATIONS AND ATTORNEY WORK PRODUCT FROM THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967.

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1622	Johnson	TO CREATE A PROCEDURE FOR ADDRESSING BURDENSOME REQUESTS FOR DISCLOSURE; TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO CREATE AN AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1623	Johnson	TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC GUIDANCE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB377	Hickey	CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY OF AN INMATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO PARTICIPATE IN A WORK-RELEASE PROGRAM OR UNDER ACT 309 OF 1983.
HB1707	M. Gray	TO AMEND THE DATES OF THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION AND PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION; TO AMEND THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILING AS A CANDIDATE FOR A PRIMARY ELECTION; AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR THE FISCAL SESSION.
HB1004	Blake	TO CREATE THE DEMOCRACY ACT; TO REQUIRE AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION; AND TO AMEND AMENDMENT 51 OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION.
HB1008	Tucker	TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR TAKING CAMPAIGN FUNDS AS PERSONAL INCOME; AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996.
HB1005	Tucker	TO REQUIRE REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE OF ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS; AND TO RESTRICT THE AMOUNT OF MONEY SPENT ON CAMPAIGN COMMUNICATIONS PRODUCED IN COORDINATION WITH A CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE.
HB1739	C. Douglas	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PRIMARY ELECTIONS, RUNOFF ELECTIONS, AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS.
HB1766	D. Douglas	TO CREATE "THE NONPARTISAN BLANKET PRIMARY ACT"; TO INSTITUTE THE NONPARTISAN BLANKET PRIMARY ELECTION SYSTEM; AND TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ELECTION CODE.
SB38	A. Clark	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS AND BALLOTS.
HB1807	Collins	TO ENSURE THE FUTURE FUNDING OF THE STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUILDING AND LOCAL GRANT TRUST FUND.
HB1819	K. Hendren	CONCERNING BALLOT TITLES AND POPULAR NAMES OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
HB1823	Collins	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PAPERWORK EFFICIENCY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO

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		PERMIT ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT SUBMISSIONS AND PUBLICATIONS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE INSPECTION OF PUBLIC RECORDS.
HB1832	House	TO ALLOW THE EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL BY A STATE OFFICIAL OR ENTITY IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND TO REQUIRE SPECIAL COUNSEL TO OBTAIN APPROVAL BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL BEFORE ENTERING INTO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.
HB1866	Lundstrum	TO EXEMPT CERTAIN INFORMATION PERTAINING TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FROM THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; AND CONCERNING PUBLIC RECORD WEBSITES.
HB1893	M. Gray	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW; AND TO AMEND THE VENDOR REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE CONTRACTS.
HB1931	Gillam	CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF BALLOT TITLES AND POPULAR NAMES OF PETITIONS PRIOR TO CIRCULATION.
HB1932	Gillam	CONCERNING THE REVIEW OF RULES PROMULGATED BY THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.
HB1944	C. Douglas	TO ESTABLISH A GRANT ADVISORY BOARD; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DISBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED BY THE STATE.
HB1988	Lundstrum	CONCERNING COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT FOR HOUSING STATE INMATES.
HB2035	D. Douglas	TO AMEND THE DATES FOR PROCESSING ABSENTEE BALLOTS.
HB2055	Hammer	CONCERNING REMEDIES AVAILABLE TO PERSONS TERMINATED IN VIOLATION OF THE ARKANSAS WHISTLE-BLOWER ACT.
HB2074	Leding	TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING INITIATIVES AND REFERENDA.
HB2095	G. Hodges	TO ESTABLISH VOTE CENTERS ON THE CAMPUSES OF STATE-SUPPORTED POSTSECONDARY AND HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTE CENTERS.
HB2096	G. Hodges	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF PROCUREMENT LAW TO REFLECT THE IMPACT OF INFLATION ON THE COST OF GOODS AND SERVICES AND TO ENCOURAGE MORE PARTICIPATION BY SMALL BUSINESSES.
HB2162	Gonzales	TO PROMOTE VOTER TURNOUT; TO AMEND THE LAW TO LIMIT THE DATES ON WHICH CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTIONS CAN BE HELD; TO AMEND THE LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1942.
HB2183	Lowery	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS WHISTLE-BLOWER ACT; AND TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "WHISTLEBLOWER".
HB2195	Shepherd	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC GUIDANCE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967.
HB2196	Henderson	TO AMEND LANGUAGE CONCERNING THE SPORT OF PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING; AND TO CREATE AN EXEMPTION FOR CHARTABLE EVENTS.
HB2200	M. Hodges	TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "SMALL PROCUREMENTS"; TO INCREASE THE ABILITY OF THE STATE TO CONTRACT WITH CERTIFIED MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES; AND TO ELIMINATE BURDENSOME DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS.
HB2242	Davis	TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967 CONCERNING DATA RELATED TO A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM OR MUNICIPALLY OWNED UTILITY SYSTEM.
HB2259	Walker	TO REQUIRE THE PASSAGE OF THE CIVICS PORTION OF THE NATURALIZATION TEST USED BY UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES BEFORE A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY VOTE FOR OR AGAINST A BILL OR RESOLUTION.
HB2260	Walker	TO REQUIRE THE PASSAGE OF THE CIVICS PORTION OF THE NATURALIZATION TEST USED BY UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES BEFORE A PERSON MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO SERVE AS A DIRECTOR OR HEAD OF A STATE AGENCY.
HB2261	Walker	TO REQUIRE THE PASSAGE OF THE CIVICS PORTION OF THE NATURALIZATION TEST USED BY UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES BEFORE A PERSON MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO SERVE AS A CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICER OF THIS STATE.
HCR1014	V. Flowers	REQUESTING AND PETITIONING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PROPOSE FOR SUBMISSION TO THE STATES FOR CONTINUED RATIFICATION AN EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT.

SB419	Irvin	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CIVIL WAR SESQUICENTENNIAL COMMISSION, THE ARKANSAS NATURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION, THE PUBLIC ART PROGRAM OF THE ARKANSAS ARTS COUNCIL, THE DELTA CULTURAL CENTER AND THE MOSAIC TEMPLE CULTURAL CENTER.
SB252	B. King	TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO SUBMIT MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.
HB1386	Lemons	TO REQUIRE THE FILING OF FINAL AGENCY RULES WITH THE ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY; AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.
HB1861	Ballinger	CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF BALLOT TITLES AND POPULAR NAMES OF PETITIONS PRIOR TO CIRCULATION.
HB2201	Della Rosa	TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS HERITAGE TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CIVIL WAR MUSEUM IN ARKANSAS.
HB2064	Hammer	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILING DEADLINES FOR ELECTIONS INVOLVING AN INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE.
SB449	Hester	TO CLARIFY THE RESOLUTION OF PROTESTED SOLICITATIONS AND AWARDS UNDER THE ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW.
SB513	Hester	TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC ENTITIES FROM CONTRACTING WITH AND INVESTING IN COMPANIES THAT BOYCOTT ISRAEL.
SB584	E. Williams	CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SCR9	E. Williams	URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PROPOSE THE REGULATION FREEDOM AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.
HB1992	Lundstrum	CONCERNING COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT FOR HOUSING STATE INMATES.
HB2029	Sabin	TO AMEND THE UNIFORM ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE POLICY ACT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR CAREGIVER LEAVE.
HB2128	Lowery	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF STATE AGENCY RULES.
HJR1003	Gillam	AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION CONCERNING PROPOSED MEASURES AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS CONSIDERED BY VOTERS AT AN ELECTION.
HB1880	Dotson	TO ESTABLISH A SUNSET DATE FOR STATE AGENCY RULES; AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A STATE AGENCY RULE TO EXIST BEYOND THE SUNSET DATE.
HB1881	Dotson	CONCERNING A REQUIRED REPORT OF STATE AGENCY RULES; AND CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT.
HB1946	Tucker	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION; AND TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967.
HB1977	Dotson	TO REQUIRE A VOTER TO DECLARE HIS OR HER POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION BEFORE THE VOTER MAY CAST A VOTE IN A PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION OR A GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION.
HB1980	Dotson	THE NATIONAL MOTTO, "IN GOD WE TRUST", DISPLAY ACT.
HB2008	Sturch	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RESTRICTIONS ON PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS.
HB2018	M. Gray	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INTERNAL AUDITS OF STATE AGENCIES; AND TO ESTABLISH THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF INDEPENDENCE FOR INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIVITIES WITHIN CERTAIN STATE AGENCIES.
HB2132	Rushing	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT TASK FORCE IN ORDER TO EVALUATE AND RECOMMEND CHANGES TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967.
HB2169	V. Flowers	TO TRANSFER OVERSIGHT OF THE ARKANSAS ENTERTAINERS HALL OF FAME TO THE ADVERTISING AND TOURIST PROMOTION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS.
HB2231	Rushing	TO REGULATE THE ADMINISTRATION OF REAL PROPERTY OF THE STATE AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE.
SB426	D. Sanders	TO AMEND THE DISCLOSURE ACT FOR PUBLIC INITIATIVES, REFERENDA, AND MEASURES REFERRED TO VOTERS; CONCERNING REGISTRATION AND REPORTING

REQUIREMENTS; AND CONCERNING FILING DEADLINES.

SB448	Hester	TO EXPAND THE ABILITY OF THE STATE TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACTS; TO DEFINE "COLLUSION" UNDER ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW; AND TO REQUIRE REVIEW OF A CONTRACT BEFORE IT IS RATIFIED OR AFFIRMED.
SB624	E. Williams	TO CREATE THE STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS, FUNERAL DIRECTORS, CEMETERIES, AND BURIAL SERVICES; AND TO ABOLISH THE STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS, THE BURIAL ASSOCIATION BOARD, AND THE ARKANSAS CEMETERY BOARD.
SB670	Hester	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS APPRAISER LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION BOARD.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1046	Tucker	TO PERMIT PAID MATERNITY LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES.
HJR1001	Ballinger	APPLYING TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CALL A CONVENTION FOR PROPOSING AMENDMENTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE V OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.
HB1011	Sabin	TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE CONTRIBUTIONS; AND TO PROHIBIT DIRECT CONTRIBUTIONS BETWEEN POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES.
HB1012	Sabin	TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES; AND TO PROHIBIT DIRECT CONTRIBUTIONS FROM POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES TO CANDIDATES.
HB1179	Ballinger	TO AMEND PROVISIONS PROVIDING DEATH BENEFITS TO DESIGNATED BENEFICIARIES OR SURVIVORS OF POLICE OFFICERS.
HB1009	Leding	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING APPROVED POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES; AND TO PREVENT A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM FORMING MORE THAN ONE (1) APPROVED POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE.
HB1289	Ballinger	TO PROMOTE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AND QUALITY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND TO REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.
HB1447	M. Gray	TO TRANSFER THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPLAINTS OF ELECTION LAW VIOLATIONS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1151	Davis	TO REQUIRE THAT REGISTERED VOTERS BE NOTIFIED BY MAIL OF THE DATES FOR CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTIONS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SPECIAL ELECTIONS.
HB1741	Vaught	TO ESTABLISH A BLUE ALERT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM; AND CONCERNING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT.