

**AGENDA (Revised 3-6-2019, 5:15 p.m.)**  
**House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor**

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**Thursday, March 7, 2019**  
**10:00 AM**  
**Room 130, State Capitol**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Rep. Jack Ladyman, Chair  
Rep. Deborah Ferguson, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Fredrick J. Love  
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw  
Rep. Chris Richey  
Rep. Stephen Magie  
Rep. Josh Miller

Rep. Richard Womack  
Rep. John Payton  
Rep. Mary Bentley  
Rep. Michelle Gray  
Rep. Justin Gonzales  
Rep. Kenneth B. Ferguson  
Rep. Justin Boyd

Rep. Karilyn Brown  
Rep. Austin McCollum  
Rep. Bruce Coleman  
Rep. Clint Penzo  
Rep. Mark Perry  
Rep. Lee Johnson

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**REGULAR AGENDA**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">HB1433</a>	Rushing	TO AUTHORIZE INDIVIDUALS WITH PRIOR DRUG-RELATED OFFENSES TO WORK WITH INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT AS PEER SUPPORT SPECIALISTS OR SIMILAR POSITIONS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
<a href="#">SB273</a>	Bledsoe	TO CLARIFY THAT AN EXPERT WITNESS ACTING ON BEHALF OF A BOARD OF ANY PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION CLASSIFIED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AS A PROFESSION OF THE HEALING ARTS HAS IMMUNITY; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
<a href="#">HB1060</a>	Lynch	TO ESTABLISH AND REQUIRE CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION LICENSEES.
<a href="#">HB1536</a>	D. Douglas	TO CREATE THE COMPASSIONATE CARE END-OF-LIFE OPTION ACT; AND TO EXEMPT THE COMPASSIONATE CARE END-OF-LIFE OPTION ACT FROM THE DEFINITION OF "PHYSICIAN-ASSISTED SUICIDE".
<a href="#">HB1527</a>	Cozart	TO CREATE THE RED TAPE REDUCTION SUNRISE AND SUNSET ACT OF 2019; AND TO REQUIRE LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF OCCUPATIONAL AUTHORIZATIONS AND OCCUPATIONAL ENTITIES.
<a href="#">HB1547</a>	Perry	TO ENSURE THAT PERSONS LICENSED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OR ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT RESCUE SERVICES MAINTAIN CONTINUAL NATIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CERTIFICATION.
<a href="#">HB1552</a>	Godfrey	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING NURSING LICENSURES.
<a href="#">SB275</a>	Bledsoe	TO CLARIFY LAW REGARDING OUT-OF-STATE PHYSICIANS WHO PRACTICE PATIENT CARE SERVICES INITIATED IN THIS STATE THROUGH THE USE OF ANY MEDIUM.
<a href="#">SB340</a>	Irvin	TO AMEND LAWS CONCERNING CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT TO AUTHORIZE A LIAISON UNDER THE FEDERAL MCKINNEY-VENTO HOMELESS ASSISTANCE ACT TO CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR A HOMELESS MINOR; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
<a href="#">HB1555</a>	A. Collins	TO INCREASE COVERAGE FOR MEDICATIONS APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION FOR TOBACCO CESSATION IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.

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<a href="#">HB1435</a>	Pilkington	TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO REIMBURSE FOR RIDESHARING APPLICATIONS.
<a href="#">SB380</a>	G. Leding	TO MODIFY COVERAGE FOR SCREENING MAMMOGRAPHY AND BREAST ULTRASOUND FOR THE DIAGNOSIS OF BREAST DISEASE SUCH AS CANCER AND FOR THE EVALUATION OF DENSE BREAST TISSUE AS AN ESSENTIAL HEALTH BENEFIT.
<a href="#">HB1484</a>	Watson	TO CLARIFY THE PROCEDURE FOR DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED BODIES IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.
<a href="#">HB1621</a>	Dotson	TO CREATE THE PRIMARY PREVENTION PROGRAMS ACT.
<a href="#">HB1568</a>	L. Johnson	TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS ADVISORY COUNCIL OF HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.
<a href="#">SB341</a>	Irvin	TO AMEND THE WOMAN'S RIGHT-TO-KNOW ACT; AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON REVERSING THE EFFECTS OF ABORTION-INDUCING DRUGS.
<a href="#">HB1642</a>	Warren	TO AMEND THE LAWS REGARDING COSMETOLOGY AND OTHER RELATED OCCUPATIONS; AND TO REMOVE THE CERTIFICATION FOR NATURAL HAIR BRAIDING.
<a href="#">HB1649</a>	Sullivan	TO PROVIDE FOR OPPORTUNITIES FOR PATIENT CHOICE AND PROMOTE QUALITY OF CARE AS A REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROVIDERS.
<a href="#">HB1650</a>	Ladyman	TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW THAT RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT NO. 4 OF 1948; AND TO REVISE THIRD-PARTY LIABILITY IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW.
<a href="#">HCR1008</a>	Vaught	TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF ORGAN DONATION TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND TO SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE ORGAN DONATION AND AWARENESS.
<a href="#">SB287</a>	A. Clark	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CHILD MALTREATMENT INVESTIGATIONS AND THE PLACEMENT OF A NAME ON THE CHILD MALTREATMENT CENTRAL REGISTRY; AND TO REPEAL CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE CHILD MALTREATMENT ACT.
<a href="#">SB339</a>	Irvin	TO PROHIBIT THE REQUIREMENT OF, BARRING OF, AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST A PHYSICIAN FOR HIS OR HER DECISION TO NOT PARTICIPATE IN MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION.
<a href="#">SB446</a>	G. Leding	CONCERNING STEP THERAPY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO TREAT METASTATIC CANCER.
<a href="#">HB1687</a>	M. Gray	AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW; AND TO AMEND AN EXCLUSION FROM THE DEFINITION OF "EMPLOYMENT" WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
<a href="#">HB1688</a>	M. Gray	TO ESTABLISH COST-REPORTING FOR ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AS A CONDITION OF PARTICIPATION IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
<a href="#">HB1691</a>	M. Gray	TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO PROMULGATE RULES FOR CLOSURE, SALE, TRANSFER, AND EXPANSION OF CERTAIN FACILITIES AND SERVICES.
<a href="#">HB1696</a>	Gonzales	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT OF 2006; AND TO ALLOW PRIVATELY OWNED BUSINESSES THE OPTION TO PROHIBIT SMOKING.
<a href="#">HB1699</a>	Eaves	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING SALES OF RAW MILK TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF RAW SHEEP MILK.
<a href="#">HB1707</a>	Capp	TO AMEND THE ADULT AND LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY RESIDENT

		MALTREATMENT ACT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
<a href="#">SB342</a>	J. Cooper	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE CONTRACTORS LICENSING BOARD; AND TO AMEND THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF CONTRACTORS.
<a href="#">HB1451</a>	A. Collins	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND TO EXCLUDE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS FROM GROSS INCOME USED FOR ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION.
<a href="#">SB172</a>	G. Leding	TO AMEND THE LAWS REGARDING SOCIAL WORK LICENSING; TO CLARIFY THE LICENSING EXEMPTION FOR STUDENTS; AND TO CHANGE THE TERM "RECIPROCITY" TO "ENDORSEMENT".
<a href="#">HB1471</a>	C. Fite	TO CREATE THE MENTAL HEALTH FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING BILL OF RIGHTS ACT.
<a href="#">HB1651</a>	Ladyman	TO AMEND AND UPDATE THE LAWS REGARDING TREATMENT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES; AND TO ENSURE RESPECTFUL LANGUAGE IS USED WITHIN THE ARKANSAS CODE.
<a href="#">HB1265</a>	M. Gray	TO AUTHORIZE FULL INDEPENDENT PRACTICE AUTHORITY TO ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES WHO MEET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.
<a href="#">HB1709</a>	Lundstrum	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING NUTRIENT WATER QUALITY TRADING PROGRAMS; AND TO AMEND THE USER FEES AUTHORIZED IN ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING A NUTRIENT WATER QUALITY TRADING PROGRAM.
<a href="#">HB1710</a>	Perry	TO CREATE THE TASK FORCE ON TRANSPORTATION OF NONEMERGENCY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PATIENTS.
<a href="#">HB1711</a>	Burch	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING GUARDIANSHIP SUBSIDIES OFFERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "CASH ASSISTANCE"; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COURT-ORDERED CHILD PLACEMENTS.
<a href="#">HB1712</a>	Wardlaw	TO REPEAL THE LAW REQUIRING THAT INFORMATION OBTAINED ON HOME HEALTHCARE SERVICES BE CONFIDENTIAL.
<a href="#">HB1717</a>	M. Gray	TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS SERVED UNDER THE ASSISTED LIVING WAIVER PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
<a href="#">HB1719</a>	M. Gray	TO UPDATE THE MEDICAID FRAUD ACT AND THE MEDICAID FRAUD FALSE CLAIMS ACT TO ADDRESS FLAWS IDENTIFIED IN RECENT INVESTIGATIONS AND CHANGES RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MANAGED CARE; AND TO UPDATE THE ADULT ABUSE PENALTIES.
<a href="#">HB1727</a>	Dotson	TO MANDATE COVERAGE BY AN INSURER FOR INTRAOPERATIVE NEUROPHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING.
<a href="#">SB398</a>	Rapert	TO MODIFY THE STATUTES CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT.

## SCOPE OF PRACTICE BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
<a href="#">HB1274</a>	Pilkington	TO AUTHORIZE AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE WHO HAS SERVED A RURAL COMMUNITY TO PRACTICE WITHOUT A COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENT.
<a href="#">HB1275</a>	Richey	TO CREATE THE COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER ACT.
<a href="#">HB1289</a>	B. Smith	TO CREATE THE MEDICAL CONSCIENCE PROTECTION ACT.
<a href="#">HB1282</a>	Lundstrum	TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A MANDATORY COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENT FOR AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE TO HAVE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY.

<a href="#">SB184</a>	G. Stubblefield	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY REMOVING SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS.
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**DEFERRED BILLS**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">HB1323</a>	D. Douglas	TO REQUIRE THE OFFICE OF LONG-TERM CARE NOT TO ADOPT RULES OR STANDARDS THAT ARE STRICTER THAN THE FEDERAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED NURSING AIDES OR ASSISTANTS AND CERTIFIED NURSING AIDE OR ASSISTANT INSTRUCTORS.
<a href="#">HB1334</a>	Maddox	TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS SERVED UNDER THE ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM; TO REMOVE A LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF PERSONS SERVED AT A TIME IN THE ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
<a href="#">HB1232</a>	Lowery	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING AUTHORIZED PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS OF UNION DUES FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES TO ALLOW DEDUCTIONS ONLY FOR FIREFIGHTERS, POLICE OFFICERS, AND EMERGENCY FIRST RESPONDERS; AND TO PROHIBIT DEDUCTIONS FOR TEACHERS.
<a href="#">HB1309</a>	S. Meeks	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS NIGHTTIME ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ACT.
<a href="#">HB1102</a>	Sullivan	TO ADDRESS THE UNDERSERVED STATUS OF A COUNTY AS A REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROVIDERS.
<a href="#">HB1528</a>	Womack	TO INCREASE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFIT LIMIT FOR DRUG TESTING AND X-RAYS.
<a href="#">HB1164</a>	Pilkington	TO AUTHORIZE A PHARMACIST TO DISPENSE ORAL CONTRACEPTIVES WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION.
<a href="#">HB1252</a>	Magie	TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT ACT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR LICENSURE OF ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANTS.
<a href="#">HB1220</a>	Sullivan	TO AMEND THE TELEMEDICINE ACT; TO ENSURE THAT TELEMEDICINE IS THE LEAST RESTRICTIVE METHOD TO DELIVER HEALTHCARE SERVICES REMOTELY; AND TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION OF "PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIP".
<a href="#">HB1253</a>	Magie	TO AUTHORIZE A LICENSED DISPENSING OPTICIAN TO REFRACT EYES AND DISPENSE EYEGLASSES IN CERTAIN CONDITIONS.
<a href="#">HB1283</a>	Gonzales	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PRACTICE OF CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHESIA"; TO CLARIFY THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF A CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST; AND TO REMOVE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS.
<a href="#">HB1284</a>	Gonzales	TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO RECOGNIZE AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE AS A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER.
<a href="#">HB1281</a>	Ladyman	TO AMEND AND UPDATE THE LAWS REGARDING TREATMENT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES; AND TO ENSURE RESPECTFUL LANGUAGE IS USED REGARDING INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.
<a href="#">HB1257</a>	Boyd	TO AUTHORIZE AND CLARIFY THE METHOD OF RELEASING CLAIMS AND ENROLLMENT DATA BY HEALTH INSURERS THAT PROVIDE HEALTHCARE COVERAGE TO ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS IN THE ARKANSAS WORKS PROGRAM.