

AGENDA (Revised 4-1-2019, 6:15 p.m.)
Added 3 House Bills and 3 Senate Bills
House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor

Tuesday, April 2, 2019
10:00 AM
Room 130, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

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

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB339	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.
HB1806	McCullough	TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS EQUAL PAY ACT OF 2019.
HB1696	Gonzales	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT OF 2006; AND TO ALLOW PRIVATELY OWNED BUSINESSES THE OPTION TO PROHIBIT SMOKING.
HB1761	Crawford	TO CREATE THE EGG PROVIDER PROTECTION ACT.
SB443	B. Davis	TO REQUIRE DIAPER CHANGING ACCOMMODATIONS IN CERTAIN BUILDINGS.
HB1918	K. Ferguson	TO ESTABLISH CANCER PATIENT NAVIGATION TO IMPROVE THE CARE OF CANCER PATIENTS IN THIS STATE.
HB1923	McCollum	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID WORKFORCE ACT OF 2019.
HB1929	Miller	TO CREATE THE MEDICAID EXPANSION EFFICIENCY ACT OF 2019; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1935	M. Gray	TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO COVER NONEMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY SERVICES.
HB1949	Vaught	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE STUDY ON MENTAL HEALTH.
HB1951	M. Gray	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS HEALTHCARE DECISIONS ACT.
HB1955	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.
HB1771	V. Flowers	TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS LITTER REDUCTION AND DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING ACT; TO REQUIRE THE LABELING OF DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINERS SOLD IN ARKANSAS; TO ESTABLISH THE DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING PROGRAM.

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HB1688	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.
HB1823	Ladyman	TO REQUIRE EMPLOYEES OF FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS TO BE IMMUNIZED OR VACCINATED AGAINST HEPATITIS A FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.
HB1743	Bentley	TO PROMOTE THE PURCHASE OF HEALTHY PRODUCTS WITH SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BENEFITS.
HB1966	A. Collins	TO REINSTATE COVERAGE IN THE ARKANSAS WORKS PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO LOST COVERAGE DUE TO FAILURE TO MEET THE WORK REQUIREMENTS; TO NOTIFY INDIVIDUALS OF THE FEDERAL COURT DECISION; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1967	Watson	TO CREATE THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE RESOURCE ACT.
HB1975	Boyd	TO ESTABLISH THE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT RATE REVIEW ACT OF 2019; TO PROVIDE FOR ANNUAL MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT RATE REVIEWS OF MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT RATES AND METHODOLOGIES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB542	A. Clark	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MEDICAL, NURSING, HOSPITAL, AND AMBULANCE SERVICE LIEN ACT.
SB546	K. Hammer	TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO APPLY FOR A STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO ALLOW OPIOID ADDICTION TREATMENT IN AN ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION FOR MENTAL DISEASE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB564	Irvin	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE OF ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE MEMBERS, RETURNING MILITARY VETERANS, AND THEIR SPOUSES; TO PROVIDE AUTOMATIC LICENSURE; TO REQUIRE REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF RULES SUBMITTED.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1323	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.
HB1334	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.
HB1232	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.
HB1102	Sullivan	TO ADDRESS THE UNDERSERVED STATUS OF A COUNTY AS A REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROVIDERS.
HB1528	Womack	TO INCREASE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFIT LIMIT FOR DRUG TESTING AND X-RAYS.
HB1164	Pilkington	TO AUTHORIZE A PHARMACIST TO DISPENSE ORAL CONTRACEPTIVES WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION.
HB1252	Magie	TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT ACT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR LICENSURE OF ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANTS.

HB1253	Magie	TO AUTHORIZE A LICENSED DISPENSING OPTICIAN TO REFRACT EYES AND DISPENSE EYEGLASSES IN CERTAIN CONDITIONS.
HB1283	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.
HB1284	Gonzales	TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM TO RECOGNIZE AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE AS A PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER.
HB1274	Pilkington	TO AUTHORIZE AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE WHO HAS SERVED A RURAL COMMUNITY TO PRACTICE WITHOUT A COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENT.
HB1060	Lynch	TO ESTABLISH AND REQUIRE CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION LICENSEES.
HB1275	Richey	TO CREATE THE COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER ACT.
HB1649	Sullivan	TO PROVIDE FOR OPPORTUNITIES FOR PATIENT CHOICE AND PROMOTE QUALITY OF CARE AS A REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION OF CERTAIN PROVIDERS.
HB1864	D. Ferguson	TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO PROHIBIT PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1727	Dotson	CONCERNING COVERAGE BY AN INSURER FOR INTRAOPERATIVE NEUROPHYSIOLOGICAL MONITORING.
HB1857	Womack	TO INCREASE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFIT LIMIT FOR DIAGNOSTIC TESTING.
HB1289	B. Smith	TO CREATE THE MEDICAL CONSCIENCE PROTECTION ACT.
HB1642	Warren	TO AMEND THE LAWS REGARDING COSMETOLOGY AND OTHER RELATED OCCUPATIONS; AND TO REMOVE THE CERTIFICATION FOR NATURAL HAIR BRAIDING.
HB1265	M. Gray	TO AUTHORIZE FULL INDEPENDENT PRACTICE AUTHORITY TO ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES WHO MEET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.
HB1536	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".
HB1451	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.
HB1948	Perry	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING SOLID WASTE LICENSING FOR IMPROVED OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY, MODERNIZATION, AND FLEXIBILITY CONSISTENT WITH TRANSFORMATION GOALS; AND TO CREATE THE SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING LICENSING ACT.
HB1282	Lundstrum	TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A MANDATORY COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENT FOR AN ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE TO HAVE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY.
HB1840	D. Douglas	TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS SERVED UNDER THE ASSISTED LIVING PROGRAM TO ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY (1,550); TO REMOVE THE LIMIT ON THE NUMBER OF PERSONS SERVED AT A TIME IN THE PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1882	L. Johnson	TO INCREASE ANNUAL FEES FOR ISSUANCE OF LICENSURE FOR CERTAIN HEALTHCARE FACILITIES LICENSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

[HB1946](#)

D. Ferguson TO REQUIRE REPORTING OF CERTAIN EVENTS RELATED TO OFFICE-BASED SURGERY.

[HB1952](#)

M. Gray TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHYSICIAN ORDER FOR LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT ACT.