

AGENDA
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL - JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE BUDGET HEARINGS

Tuesday, October 27, 2020
9:00 AM
Room A, MAC
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Co-Chair	Rep. Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chair	Rep. Dan M. Douglas
Sen. Joyce Elliott	Rep. Stephen Meeks	Rep. Les Eaves
Sen. Larry Teague	Rep. Lane Jean	Rep. Ron McNair
Sen. Linda Chesterfield	Rep. Fredrick J. Love	Rep. Jack Ladyman
Sen. Jason Rapert	Rep. Reginald Murdock	Rep. Robin Lundstrum
Sen. Stephanie Flowers	Rep. Matthew J. Shepherd	Rep. Michelle Gray
Sen. Missy Irvin	Rep. Gary Deffenbaugh	Rep. Dwight Tosh
Sen. Jonathan Dismang	Rep. Jon S. Eubanks	Rep. Jana Della Rosa
Sen. Bill Sample	Rep. David Fielding	Rep. Rick Beck
Sen. Ronald Caldwell	Rep. Bruce Cozart	Rep. Kenneth B. Ferguson
Sen. Jane English	Rep. Douglas House	Rep. Justin Boyd
Sen. Alan Clark	Rep. Mark Lowery	Rep. Laurie Rushing
Sen. Bruce Maloch	Rep. Stephen Magie	Rep. Dan Sullivan
Sen. Keith Ingram	Rep. Jim Dotson	Rep. Lanny Fite
Sen. Jim Hendren	Rep. Josh Miller	Rep. DeAnn Vaught
Sen. Gary Stubblefield	Rep. Joe Jett	Rep. Marcus E. Richmond
Sen. Jimmy Hickey, Jr	Rep. Richard Womack	Rep. Austin McCollum
Sen. Bart Hester	Rep. Ken Bragg	Rep. Frances Cavanaugh
Sen. Eddie Cheatham	Rep. Mike Holcomb	Rep. Bruce Coleman
Sen. John Cooper	Rep. Charlene Fite	Rep. Roger D. Lynch
Sen. Scott Flipppo	Rep. Andy Davis	Rep. Sarah Capp
Sen. Terry Rice	Rep. David Whitaker	Rep. Clint Penzo
Sen. Blake Johnson	Rep. Deborah Ferguson	Rep. Jim Wooten
Sen. Lance Eads	Rep. John Payton	Rep. Denise Garner
Sen. David Wallace	Rep. Monte Hodges	Rep. Tippi McCullough
Sen. Will Bond		
Sen. Breanne Davis		
Sen. Bob Ballinger		
Sen. Mark Johnson		
Sen. Greg Leding		
Sen. Kim Hammer		

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A. Call to Order

B. Reports and Communications

1. ALC/JBC Personnel Subcommittee Report dated October 21, 2020
--Senator Lance Eads or Representative Les Eaves

C. Presentation of Budget Requests

Note: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means and are accessible on the General Assembly's website at www.arkleg.state.ar.us

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Institutions of Higher Education Overview

1. Dr. Maria Markham, Director, Department of Education-Arkansas Division of Higher Education – presentation
2. Mr. Henry Rice, BLR Staff – Summary of Institutions budget requests for 2021-2023 biennium [**Exhibit C.2**]
3. Audit Finding for Institutions of Higher Education

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