

AGENDA (Revised 3/17/2021 @ 10:49 AM)
Added Bills
House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor

Thursday, March 18, 2021
2:00 PM or Upon Adjournment Whichever is Later
Room C, MAC
Little Rock, Arkansas

Public Comment Holding Room 4th Floor MAC

Rep. Jack Ladyman, Chair
Rep. Deborah Ferguson, Vice-Chair
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw
Rep. Jon S. Eubanks
Rep. Stephen Magie
Rep. Jim Dotson
Rep. Josh Miller

Rep. John Payton
Rep. Mary Bentley
Rep. Michelle Gray
Rep. Justin Gonzales
Rep. Justin Boyd
Rep. Fred Allen
Rep. Bruce Coleman

Rep. Aaron Pilkington
Rep. Carlton Wing
Rep. Clint Penzo
Rep. Mark Perry
Rep. Marsh Davis
Rep. Joe Cloud

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1582	M. Hodges	TO AUTHORIZE A MULTIYEAR LICENSE OR REGISTRATION FOR A PHYSICIAN BY THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD.
SB85	Bledsoe	TO AMEND THE RIGHT TO VIEW ULTRASOUND IMAGES BEFORE AN ABORTION; AND TO CREATE THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW-AND-SEE ACT.
HB1687	Penzo	TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING LOCATIONS FOR AND GEOGRAPHIC AREAS OF A HOME HEALTHCARE SERVICES AGENCY.
SB410	Irvin	TO AMEND TITLE 23 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE TO ENSURE THE STABILITY OF THE INSURANCE MARKET IN ARKANSAS; AND TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME ACT OF 2021 AND THE ARKANSAS HEALTH AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ME PROGRAM.
HB1564	Hawks	TO AMEND THE TEACHER MANAGER INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION RELATING TO BARBERS.
HB1547	Lundstrum	TO PROHIBIT MANDATORY COVID-19 IMMUNIZATIONS OR VACCINATIONS FOR STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES AND A REQUIREMENT FOR A VACCINATION OR IMMUNIZATION FOR COVID-19 EXCEPT IN CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1664	Vaught	TO AMEND THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE RESOURCE ACT; AND TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE OFFICER, ENVIRONMENTAL VIOLATIONS CITED, AND THE JUDICIAL VENUE WHERE CITATIONS ARE FILED.
HB1689	Vaught	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE STUDY ON MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH.
SB378	K. Hammer	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING UNANTICIPATED DISCRETIONARY FEDERAL FUNDS RELATED TO A STATEWIDE STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY RELATED TO PUBLIC HEALTH; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1676	McCollum	TO AMEND LAWS RELEVANT TO UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS UNDER THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.

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[HCR1003](#) Gonzales TO TERMINATE THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND DISASTER EMERGENCY AND DECLARATION OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AS A DISASTER AREA UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-37 AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-51.

CONSENT AGENDA *Bills in Red added 03-18-2021

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HCR1010	Haak	TO ENCOURAGE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ESTABLISH A MAXIMUM LIMIT OF OPIATE ALKALOID CONTAMINATION OF POPPY SEEDS AND ENSURE THE SAFETY OF IMPORTED POPPY SEEDS AND TO ISSUE IMPORT REQUIREMENTS AND CONDUCT TESTING.
HB1612	Cozart	TO REQUIRE EVALUATION AND RESTRUCTURING OF LICENSURE FEES RELATED TO THE PRACTICE OF PHYSICAL THERAPY.
SB27	T. Garner	TO ENSURE THAT THE SUICIDE PREVENTION HOTLINE EMPLOYS INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH VETERANS.
HB1520	F. Allen	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING OCCUPATIONAL CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS; AND TO ENSURE THAT LICENSEES WHO WERE LICENSED PRIOR TO THE ENACTMENT OF ACTS 2019, NO. 990, ARE ALLOWED TO MAINTAIN THEIR LICENSES.
HB1179	Gonzales	TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL PERMANENT DISQUALIFYING OFFENSE ON CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS.
HB1659	Perry	TO AMEND THE DEATH CERTIFICATE REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR THE SIGNATURE OF THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.
HB1545	M. Davis	TO UPDATE THE ARKANSAS CODE REGARDING LANGUAGE ASSOCIATED WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS.
SB259	Bledsoe	TO AUTHORIZE THE LICENSURE OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION INSPECTORS; AND TO CORRECT REFERENCES TO THE APPROPRIATE CABINET-LEVEL DEPARTMENT.
HB1709	Payton	TO REQUIRE A PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURER OR A WHOLESALE PHARMACY DISTRIBUTOR THAT SELLS OR DISTRIBUTES INSULIN TO OFFER ENTITIES IN THIS STATE THE LOWEST WHOLESALE PRICE FOR INSULIN.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1247	Gonzales	TO MODIFY PHYSICIAN DISPENSING; AND TO ALLOW DELEGATION OF PHYSICIAN DISPENSING.
HB1644	Bentley	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE CHILDCARE FACILITY LICENSING ACT; AND TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "CHILDCARE FACILITY" AS IT RELATES TO THE CHILDCARE FACILITY LICENSING ACT.
HB1266	M. Gray	TO CLARIFY THE PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIP REGARDING COSMETIC AESTHETIC SERVICES.
SB143	Irvin	TO ENSURE THAT BENEFICIARIES OF THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM HAVE ACCESS TO NEW PRODUCTS AND LABEL EXPANSIONS APPROVED BY THE UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION.
HB1233	Penzo	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIAN LICENSURE ACT.

HB1378	Penzo	TO AUTHORIZE OCCUPATIONAL OR PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE MIGRANTS FROM THE COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION ISLANDS.
HB1366	Penzo	TO REQUIRE EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO HAVE A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK; AND TO CREATE A RAPBACK PROGRAM UNDER THE DIVISION OF ARKANSAS STATE POLICE.
HB1016	Rye	ALEX'S LAW: TO IMPROVE RESIDENTIAL SWIMMING POOL SAFETY TO PREVENT CHILD DROWNINGS.