

AGENDA (Revised 4/12/2021 @ 8:39 AM)
Moved SB492 to Deferred
Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor

Monday, April 12, 2021
2:00 PM or Upon Adjournment Whichever is Later
Room 130, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Public Comment Holding Room 138

Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Chair
Sen. Scott Flippo, Vice-Chair
Sen. Bart Hester
Sen. David Wallace

Sen. Breanne Davis
Sen. Kim Hammer
Sen. Dan Sullivan
Sen. Ben Gilmore

CONCUR IN HOUSE AMENDMENT

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
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.

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB640	K. Hammer	TO EXTEND THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR MEDICAL DEBT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.
HB1794	Vaught	TO CREATE THE LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE PATHWAY PILOT PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HCR1007	Wooten	TO RECOGNIZE JANUARY 22 AS THE DAY OF TEARS IN ARKANSAS.
HB1836	Vaught	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY; AND TO AMEND THE PENALTY FOR THE KNOWING REFUSAL OF RIGHT OF ENTRY AND INSPECTION TO DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PERSONNEL.
HB1199	Penzo	TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS CONCERNING CONTRACTS, REPORTS, AND RECORDS OF PEST CONTROL SERVICES.
HB1177	L. Johnson	TO AUTHORIZE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL TO ADMINISTER CERTAIN EMERGENCY PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS TO A PATIENT WHO HAS A SPECIFIC HEALTH CONDITION.
SB19	A. Clark	TO AUTHORIZE THE PRESENCE OF A SUPPORT PERSON FOR A PATIENT IN A HOSPITAL OR PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE; AND CONCERNING VISITATION RIGHTS OF PATIENTS IN HOSPITALS AND PHYSICIAN'S OFFICES.
SB176	D. Wallace	TO ALLOW PHARMACISTS TO TREAT CERTAIN HEALTH CONDITIONS.
SB248	B. Ballinger	TO CREATE THE FOOD FREEDOM ACT; AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN PRODUCERS OF HOMEMADE FOOD OR DRINK PRODUCTS FROM LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION, AND INSPECTION.
SB347	A. Clark	TO CREATE THE VULNERABLE CHILD PROTECTION ACT; AND TO PROHIBIT GENDER REASSIGNMENT SERVICES FOR MINORS.

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SB468	T. Garner	TO CREATE THE PRENATAL NONDISCRIMINATION ACT OF ARKANSAS.
SB477	C. Tucker	TO STREAMLINE CORONAVIRUS 2019 (COVID-19) VACCINATION SIGN-UPS IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB507	T. Garner	TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1948; AND TO CLARIFY THE TREATMENT OF DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW.
SB510	G. Leding	TO PROHIBIT CONVERSION THERAPY FOR MINORS.
SB517	B. Ballinger	TO TRANSFER OVERSIGHT OF CERTAIN DUTIES OF THE REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS; AND TO AMEND THE REQUIRED EXPERTISE OF MEMBERS OF ARKANSAS POLLUTION CONTROL AND ECOLOGY COMMISSION.
SB518	B. Ballinger	TO AMEND THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AND RECYCLING FUND ACT; AND TO TRANSFER ADMINISTRATION OF CERTAIN FUNDS AND DUTIES FROM THE DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION.
SB519	B. Davis	TO AMEND THE SEX DISCRIMINATION BY ABORTION PROHIBITION ACT.
SB520	Hester	TO CREATE THE FAIR COMPENSATION ACT.
SB539	B. Davis	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE PAYMENT OF WAGES; AND TO ESTABLISH PARAMETERS REGARDING THE RECOUPMENT OF OVERPAYMENTS BY EMPLOYERS.
SB595	D. Wallace	TO CLARIFY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES IS THE AGENCY THAT REGULATES LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES; AND TO REMOVE REFERENCES TO THE OFFICE OF LONG-TERM CARE.
SB598	Bledsoe	TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS WITHIN THE TELEMEDICINE ACT; TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT FOR TELEMEDICINE; TO PROHIBIT HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN FINANCIAL INCENTIVES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB600	G. Leding	TO ESTABLISH THE RIGHT TO KNOW AND GET YOUR PAY ACT.
SB611	D. Wallace	TO CREATE THE TASK FORCE ON ACUITY-BASED CARE; AND TO RECOMMEND PROTOCOLS AND PROCEDURES TO CREATE STANDARDIZATION AND CONSISTENCY IN NURSE STAFFING WITHIN HOSPITALS AND REHABILITATION AND LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES.
SB615	T. Garner	TO PROHIBIT THE REQUIREMENT OF VACCINE PASSPORTS IN ARKANSAS.
SB617	Rapert	TO REQUIRE WRITTEN CONSENT OF A PATIENT TO TRANSFER A PRESCRIPTION FROM A PHARMACY; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN DISCLOSURES OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST OR POSSIBLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST; AND TO PROHIBIT DATA MINING OF PATIENT INFORMATION.
SB650	J. Dismang	TO AMEND THE ASSET LIMITS FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REQUEST A BROAD-BASED CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY WAIVER.
SB663	Irvin	TO MODIFY AND DEFER THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES CONCERNING THE HOSPITALS WITHOUT WALLS PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SCR11	J. Sturch	TO ENCOURAGE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND THE UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO INTERNATIONAL RECIPROCITY AGREEMENTS FOR MEDICATIONS.
HB1439	Pilkington	TO UPDATE THE VOLUNTEER HEALTH CARE ACT; AND TO INCLUDE THERAPISTS, ADDICTION SPECIALISTS, AND COUNSELORS IN THE VOLUNTEER HEALTHCARE PROGRAM.

HB1459	Penzo	TO ENSURE THAT ALL HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS ARE REIMBURSED FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES BY THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
HB1465	Dotson	TO REQUIRE LICENSING ENTITIES TO CONSIDER THE GOOD MORAL CHARACTER OF AN INDIVIDUAL BEFORE ISSUING A LICENSE TO AN INDIVIDUAL.
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.
HB1582	M. Hodges	TO AUTHORIZE A MULTIYEAR LICENSE OR REGISTRATION FOR A PHYSICIAN BY THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD.
HB1585	Penzo	TO REQUIRE EMPLOYEES OF CERTAIN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO HAVE A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK.
HB1612	Cozart	TO REQUIRE EVALUATION AND RESTRUCTURING OF LICENSURE FEES RELATED TO THE PRACTICE OF PHYSICAL THERAPY.
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.
HB1682	L. Johnson	TO AUTHORIZE COLOCATION FOR OUTPATIENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE AGENCIES.
HB1687	Penzo	TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING LOCATIONS FOR AND GEOGRAPHIC AREAS OF A HOME HEALTHCARE SERVICES AGENCY.
HB1689	Vaught	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE STUDY ON MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH.
HB1780	Bentley	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING MEDICATION ASSISTIVE PERSONS; AND TO ALLOW EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSES IN CERTAIN FACILITIES.
HB1781	L. Johnson	TO CLARIFY AND EXPAND THE PRESCRIPTION LIMITATIONS IN THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
HB1796	Cozart	TO AMEND OCCUPATIONAL CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS.
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.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB492	J. English	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS WORK PAYS PROGRAM; AND TO AMEND THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICANTS OR PARTICIPANTS OF THE ARKANSAS WORK PAYS PROGRAM.