

REVISED AGENDA (March 19, 2015 @ 5:30 p.m.)

Added Bills

**Senate Committee on Education
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Friday, March 20, 2015

09:00 AM

Room 207, State Capitol

Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Jane English, Chair
Sen. Uvalde Lindsey, Vice Chair
Sen. Eddie Joe Williams
Sen. Alan Clark

Sen. Bobby J. Pierce
Sen. Jim Hendren
Sen. Eddie Cheatham
Sen. Blake Johnson

RE-REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1241	Lowery	TO DELAY THE USE OF THE PARTNERSHIP FOR ASSESSMENT OF READINESS FOR COLLEGE AND CAREERS (PARCC) ASSESSMENT.

CONCUR IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB211	A. Clark	TO REQUIRE AN ECONOMIC SECURITY REPORT OF EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS OUTCOMES FOR DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES EARNED AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND TO ALLOW STUDENTS AND PARENTS TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS.
SB342	Irvin	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL RECOGNITION AND REWARD PROGRAM.

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB212	Elliott	TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE REENGAGEMENT PROGRAM; TO INCREASE HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION THROUGH THE DIFFERENTIATED PATHWAY TO A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA PROGRAM.
SB218	A. Clark	TO ESTABLISH THE STUDENT DATA ACCESSIBILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT.
SB374	Elliott	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TESTING AND ASSESSMENTS USED IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
SB546	J. English	TO CHANGE REFERENCES TO GENERAL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE ARKANSAS CODE TO HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY.
SB774	Elliott	TO MODIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARDING THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM — PART 2 IF THERE ARE INSUFFICIENT FUNDS.
SB776	Elliott	TO PROVIDE FOR IN-STATE, IN-COUNTY, IN-DISTRICT, LOCAL, OR RESIDENT TUITION FOR VETERANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, REGARDLESS OF RESIDENCE.
SB812	B. Johnson	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS PROGRAM.
SB813	B. Johnson	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING NORM-REFERENCED ASSESSMENTS.
SB832	L. Chesterfield	TO CREATE A CENTER FOR WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND STRATEGIC ECONOMIC PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.
HB1395	Gossage	TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH DIABETES BY AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL PERSONNEL TO BE TRAINED IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF INSULIN AND GLUCAGON.
SB851	Elliott	TO AMEND THE PURPOSES FOR NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH STATE CATEGORICAL FUNDING; AND TO SUPPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL PROGRAMS THAT IMPROVE THE

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		HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.
SB857	E. Cheatham	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF VEHICLES FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB859	E. Cheatham	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PROVISIONAL POSITIONS FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB870	J. Hendren	TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.
SB891	J. English	TO ESTABLISH THE WORKFORCE INITIATIVE ACT OF 2015.
SB926	J. Cooper	TO REPEAL THE POSITION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT COORDINATOR.
SB930	L. Chesterfield	TO ESTABLISH THE FAIR DISMISSAL ACT FOR EMPLOYEES AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
SB944	A. Clark	TO ALLOW THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND THE ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF TO RECEIVE FUNDS FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND, INCLUDING PER-STUDENT FOUNDATION FUNDING.
SB955	J. Hutchinson	TO AMEND THE FREE TEXTBOOK ACT OF 1975; AND TO ADD A DEFINITION OF "DEPOSITORY".
SB958	Files	TO ADOPT THE MANPOWER SPORTS STUDENT PROTECTION ACT.
HB1381	Bell	TO REPEAL PROVISIONS OF STATE LAW THAT REQUIRE TESTING OF HOME-SCHOOLED STUDENTS.
HB1495	D. Douglas	TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT THE OPTION OF ALLOWING ADVERTISING ON SCHOOL BUSES.
HB1485	Lampkin	TO ESTABLISH THE LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON THE BEST PRACTICES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION.
HB1597	C. Douglas	TO REQUIRE SICK LEAVE THAT IS TRANSFERRED WHEN AN EMPLOYEE CHANGES SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO BE USED FIRST.
HB1750	D. Ferguson	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING GOVERNING BOARDS OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES.
HB1377	Murdock	TO ALLOW A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO BE GRANTED THE SAME WAIVERS THAT ARE GRANTED TO AN OPEN-ENROLLMENT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL THAT DRAWS STUDENTS FROM THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.
HB1408	Cozart	TO MODIFY THE PERSONNEL POLICY REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOLS DISTRICTS.
HB1526	Gossage	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS.
HB1527	Gossage	TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY TO SCHOOL DISTRICT IN SCHEDULING ART, MUSIC, AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION.
HB1722	D. Ferguson	TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF E-CIGARETTES ON EACH CAMPUS OF STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
HB1836	Cozart	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM.
HB1539	Della Rosa	TO PROVIDE FOR PETITION FOR EARLY ADMISSION TO KINDERGARTEN UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1653	Baltz	TO CREATE THE 2015 SCHOOL SAFETY ACT.
HB1611	Ratliff	TO CLARIFY LAWS CONCERNING VACANCIES ON A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
HB1663	Cozart	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING AMOUNTS; TO ESTABLISH ENHANCED TRANSPORTATION FUNDING; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1596	C. Douglas	TO REQUIRE A SCHOOL DISTRICT TO PROVIDE UP TO TEN (10) LEGISLATIVE DAYS PER SCHOOL YEAR PER SCHOOL DISTRICT.
HB1892	G. Hodges	TO PROVIDE A RIGHT OF COUNSEL FOR STUDENTS DURING DISCIPLINARY APPEAL PROCEEDINGS AT STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
HB1256	Broadaway	TO ESTABLISH THE BUILDING BETTER FUTURES HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM.

HB1419	McNair	CONCERNING THE PARTICIPATION OF A MEMBER OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WHEN THE MEMBER IS NOT PHYSICALLY PRESENT AT THE MEETING.
HB1545	Sabin	TO CLARIFY THAT THE TEACHER COMPENSATION SCHEDULE, NOT THE STATE GRADE CLASSIFICATION SCALE, AND LOW-INCOME SCHOOL STATUS ARE APPLICABLE TO THE C-STEP PROGRAM AND THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD YOUTH CHALLENGE PROGRAM.
HB1600	C. Douglas	TO PROMOTE EFFICIENCY IN REPORTING BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PUBLIC SCHOOL.
HB1685	C. Douglas	AN ACT TO INCLUDE DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS IN THE CURRICULUM FOR HEALTH.
HB1713	Eubanks	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC EDUCATION.
SB895	Files	ACT TO AMEND THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ARKANSAS ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM — PART 2.

PENDING FISCAL IMPACT

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB788	Elliott	TO MODIFY THE REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING SCREENING FOR DYSLEXIA; AND TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO SCREEN STUDENTS FOR DYSLEXIA.
SB858	E. Cheatham	AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC EDUCATION.
SB951	Elliott	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING A SYSTEM-WIDE ASSESSMENT OF UNDERSERVED GEOGRAPHIC AREAS.
SB961	E. Cheatham	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS STANDARDS FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

DEFERRED

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB3	Hickey	TO MODIFY THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ACADEMIC CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - PART 2; AND TO CLARIFY FUNDING AMOUNTS AND PROVISIONS.
SB176	A. Clark	TO MODIFY THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR A PERSON TO SERVE AS THE COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION.
SB369	J. English	TO REMOVE THE DUTY OF THE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD TO DETERMINE SERVICE AREAS FOR TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ELIMINATE SERVICE AREAS FOR TWO-YEAR COLLEGES AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.
SB370	J. English	TO ALLOW SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO USE CERTAIN CATEGORICAL FUNDS FOR PARTNERSHIPS WITH STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO OFFER CONCURRENT COURSES OR OTHER TECHNICAL EDUCATION OPTIONS.
SB372	J. English	TO REMOVE THE DUTY OF THE ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD TO DETERMINE SERVICE AREAS FOR TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO ELIMINATE SERVICE AREAS FOR TWO-YEAR COLLEGES AND TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.

SHELL BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB715	Maloch	TO MODIFY THE FUNDING FORMULA MODEL FOR UNIVERSITIES.
SB799	Rapert	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING CLASSIFIED AND NON-CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES OF STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
SB876	B. Johnson	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION.
SB884	B. Pierce	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TRAINING

		REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCOUNTANTS WHO WORK WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
SB890	J. English	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION.
SB919	G. Stubblefield	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO PROVIDE THAT EMERGENCY AND SECURITY PLANS FOR POSTSECONDARY INSTITUTIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967.
SB921	A. Clark	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL ASSESSMENT AND TESTING.
SB922	A. Clark	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING MATHEMATICS STANDARDS AND CURRICULUM FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS.
SB923	B. Pierce	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCOUNTANTS WHO WORK WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS.
SB929	L. Chesterfield	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS AND QUALITY; TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ACT 1467 OF 2003.
SB940	Irvin	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING PUBLIC SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS.
SB945	A. Clark	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS FOR WORLD HISTORY AND AMERICAN HISTORY.
SB968	Burnett	TO AMEND TITLE 6, CHAPTER 14, OF THE ARKANSAS CODE.
SB971	Hester	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZER.
SB979	Burnett	TO AMEND TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE.
SB981	Collins-Smith	CONCERNING SCHOOL SECURITY AND SCHOOL CRISIS RESPONSE TRAINING; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB1007	Collins-Smith	TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING UNITED STATES HISTORY COURSES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
SB1020	L. Chesterfield	TO PROVIDE VARIOUS OPTIONS FOR PARENTS, STUDENTS, PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHEN A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR SCHOOL DISTRICT IS TAKEN OVER OR OTHERWISE RECONFIGURED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.
SB1051	L. Chesterfield	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE CONCERNING THE PUBLIC EDUCATION SCHOOL SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.