

AGENDA
Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor
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Wednesday, March 25, 2015
10:00 AM
Room 272, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Chair
 Sen. Stephanie Flowers, Vice Chair
 Sen. Missy Irvin
 Sen. Keith Ingram

Sen. Gary Stubblefield
 Sen. David J. Sanders
 Sen. John Cooper
 Sen. Scott Flippo

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS - March 25, 2015

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1355	Ladyman	AN ACT TO PROVIDE LOCAL CONTROL OVER FLUORIDE LEVELS IN WATER SYSTEMS.
HB1087	Bell	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS OF CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB78	G. Stubblefield	TO ELIMINATE PHYSICIAN SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS IN ANESTHESIA ADMINISTRATION; AND TO PROVIDE IMMUNITY IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.
SB273	Irvin	TO ENSURE THE PROVISION OF INDIVIDUALIZED CARE IN THE PROGRAM FOR INDIGENT MEDICAL CARE.
SB447	Teague	TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS OF SMOKING AND TOBACCO TO TREAT E-CIGARETTES SIMILARLY TO OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS.
SB457	Hester	TO AMEND THE LAWS RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF OPHTHALMIC DISPENSERS.
SB763	Files	TO PROMOTE TRANSPARENCY IN HEALTH CARE.
SB766	G. Stubblefield	TO KEEP CHILDREN IN THE FAMILY HOME BY INVOLVING THE WHOLE FAMILY IN DECISION MAKING.
SB829	D. Sanders	TO ENHANCE THE PUBLIC INTEGRITY OF THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT; AND TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE MEDICAID FAIRNESS ACT.
SB830	D. Sanders	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID FALSE CLAIMS ACT OF 2015.
SB831	D. Sanders	TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF MEDICAL SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO DETERMINE THAT A MEDICAID PROVIDER IS OUT OF BUSINESS AND THAT A MEDICAID OVERPAYMENT CANNOT BE COLLECTED.
SB811	Irvin	TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE CODE TO COMPLY WITH THE ARKANSAS ATTORNEY GENERAL'S STATE TASK FORCE ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING.
SR24	Irvin	TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTERS IN ARKANSAS.
SB934	Bledsoe	TO IMPROVE THE INSURANCE PANEL PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS.
SB943	Elliott	TO REQUIRE THAT COMPLETE INFORMATION REGARDING THE ARKANSAS HEALTH REFORM LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE AND ITS PURPOSE BE PROVIDED TO ENROLLEES OF THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM.
SB957	S. Flowers	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS STROKE CENTER DESIGNATION ACT.
SB984	J. Woods	TO AMEND SECTIONS OF THE LAW REGARDING THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE OF HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.
SB1002	Irvin	CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND QUALIFICATIONS TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY SERVICES.

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HB1453	Miller	TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE STATE KIDNEY DISEASE COMMISSION.
SB804	B. Sample	CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN RETIRED STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES FOR HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE.
SB950	J. Hutchinson	TO LIMIT THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ISSUE OR ADOPT RULES CONCERNING TRANSPORTATION OF MEDICAL WASTE THAT ARE MORE STRINGENT OR LIMITING THAN FEDERAL LAW.
HB1719	Petty	TO ALLOW THE AWARD OF FLAGS UPON THE DEATH OF AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES LICENSEE.
HB1452	Baine	TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO WAIVE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR OPERATORS OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES; AND TO AUTHORIZE WITHDRAWAL OF THE WAIVERS FOR JUST CAUSE.
HB1218	Baine	TO REQUIRE AN EMPLOYEE OF A NONPROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION TO REPORT CHILD MALTREATMENT.
HB1162	D. Ferguson	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS GRADUATE REGISTERED PHYSICIAN ACT.
HB1673	Broadaway	CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF "DEPENDENT JUVENILE" IN THE ARKANSAS JUVENILE CODE.
HB1671	Broadaway	CONCERNING FOSTER YOUTH TRANSITIONS.
SB845	J. Cooper	TO INCREASE ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE AND REDUCE HEALTHCARE COSTS; TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF TELEMEDICINE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1292	Leding	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE REAL-TIME ELECTRONIC LOGBOOK; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB1047	J. Cooper	TO PROVIDE FOR ANNUAL RATE INCREASES FOR PRIVATE INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WITH FIFTEEN (15) BEDS OR FEWER.
HB1636	Eaves	TO AMEND THE EXEMPTION OF A STUDENT, INTERN, OR RESIDENT PRACTICING MEDICINE IN AN OSTEOPATHIC RESIDENCY FROM LICENSURE UNDER THE ARKANSAS MEDICAL PRACTICES ACT; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB1050	Flippo	TO AMEND LAWS CONCERNING UNLAWFUL ABORTIONS; TO AMEND LAWS CONCERNING THE PROCEDURE OF DENIAL, SUSPENSION, OR REVOCATION OF A HEALTH FACILITIES SERVICE LICENSE; AND TO AMEND THE LAWS REGARDING ABORTION CLINICS.
SB927	Teague	TO REGULATE PEDIATRIC DENTAL BENEFITS; AND TO CLARIFY REASONABLE ASSURANCE FOR OFF-EXCHANGE PEDIATRIC DENTAL-ESSENTIAL HEALTH BENEFITS.
SB1012	Irvin	TO IMPLEMENT THE FINDINGS OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S TASK FORCE ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING.
HB1589	Della Rosa	TO EXEMPT THE BOWEN THERAPY OR BOWEN TECHNIQUE FROM LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY.
HB1612	J. Mayberry	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH MONITORING SYSTEM.
HB1637	Bennett	TO ALLOW EMPLOYER REFERENCES TO BE DELIVERED IN VARIOUS MEDIA; AND TO CLARIFY THE TIMELINESS OF AN EMPLOYMENT REFERENCE CONSENT FORM FOR AN EMPLOYEE WHO REMAINS WITH AN EMPLOYER FOR LESS THAN SIX MONTHS.
HB1705	Ballinger	AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE REPARATION OF LANDFILLS; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO USE LANDFILL CLOSURE FUNDS FOR THE CLOSURE OF WASTE TIRE FACILITIES
HB1424	Harris	TO ESTABLISH THE PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT ENHANCEMENT ACT; AND TO REPEAL THE PARENTAL NOTIFICATION PROVISIONS.
HB1957	G. Hodges	TO DETERMINE A TIME FRAME FOR A PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE TO OPT IN OR OPT OUT OF MEMBERSHIP IN A LABOR ORGANIZATION.
HB1284	D. Whitaker	TO PROTECT THE IDENTITY AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF CHILDREN; AND TO CREATE AN EXEMPTION TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

HB1343	C. Fite	TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE LAW REGARDING HEARING INSTRUMENT DISPENSERS.
HB1491	D. Whitaker	TO ALLOW A NONPROFIT HOSPITAL TO OPERATE A DENTAL CLINIC.
HB1562	D. Meeks	TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE LAW REGARDING MASSAGE THERAPISTS.
HB1540	Lundstrum	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES LAW.
SB1009	Files	TO REMOVE THE MORATORIUM ON RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL CARE FOR PERSONS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS.
SB1010	Files	TO MAKE A RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR PERSONAL CARE SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
SB1023	A. Clark	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AN INVESTIGATION OF CHILD MALTREATMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
HB1658	J. Mayberry	TO CREATE THE TASK FORCE ON ALPHA-GAL.
HB1887	Lemons	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SUICIDE PREVENTION.

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Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB142	J. Hutchinson	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ATHLETIC TRAINERS ACT.
SB143	J. Hutchinson	TO CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING DENTAL PRACTICE.
SB135	J. Cooper	TO PROMOTE OVERALL EFFICIENCY AND DELIVERY OF HEALTHCARE SERVICES OF THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM.
SB144	Collins-Smith	TO TERMINATE THE MEDICAID EXPANSION DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE "PRIVATE OPTION"; TO TERMINATE ARKANSAS'S PARTICIPATION IN MEDICAID EXPANSION; AND TO REPEAL THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE ACT OF 2013.
SB178	A. Clark	TO END ENROLLMENT IN THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM; TO RESTORE MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAMS PREVIOUSLY ENDED DUE TO THE HEALTH CARE INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB758	B. King	TO CREATE THE WELFARE FRAUD PROTECTION ACT.
SB846	Bledsoe	CONCERNING TELEMEDICINE.
SB868	E. Williams	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CHILD SAFETY CENTERS.
SB914	D. Sanders	TO INCREASE HEALTHCARE TRANSPARENCY IN ARKANSAS.
SB1019	Irvin	TO AMEND THE ACCESS TO CARE ACT, § 20-77-129; AND TO LOWER THE COST OF CARE AND INCREASE ACCESS TO CARE FOR MEDICAID PATIENTS.
SB1026	Irvin	TO AMEND THE AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTER STATUTE.
SB1043	Hester	TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE IN DISCLOSURE OF NONCONFIDENTIAL HOSPITAL DATA AND RECORDS.
SB1052	Collins-Smith	TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE UNDER THE COSMETOLOGY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.