

REPORT OF THE
CHARITABLE, PENAL AND CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE
ARKANAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

August 17, 2018

Senator Sample and Representative Dotson, Co-Chairs:

The Charitable, Penal and Correctional Institutions Subcommittee met jointly with the House and Senate Committees on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs on Thursday, July 19, 2018, at the Arkansas Department of Correction, Ouachita River Unit, in Malvern, Arkansas. The Subcommittee heard testimony from the following:

1. Dr. Nathaniel Smith, Director and State Health Officer Department of Health and Sherri Woodus, Retail Food Program Section Chief, Department of Health, discussed the Department of Correction - Food Establishment Inspection Reports;
2. Wendy Kelley, Director, Department of Correction and Tiffanye Compton, Research & Planning Administrator, Department of Correction, presented the 2013 Recidivism Report;
3. Rory Griffin, Deputy Director, Department of Correction and Dona Gordon, Regional Vice President, Correct Care Solutions provided an overview of the medical care within the Arkansas Department of Correction; and
4. Mark Cashion, Assistant Director, Department of Correction, Kathleen Lowery, Instructor, Willis H. Sargent Training Academy and Carl Lewis, Lieutenant, Department of Correction, presented and discussed the Blue Courage Law Enforcement Training Program.

Respectfully submitted by Subcommittee Co-Chairs, Senator Joyce Elliott and Representative David Fielding