REPORT OF THE GAME AND FISH/STATE POLICE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

March 15, 2024

Senator Rice and Representative Wardlaw, Co-Chairs:

The Game and Fish/State Police Subcommittee met Monday, March 11, 2024, at 1:00 p.m., in Room A-MAC.

The Subcommittee heard follow-up information regarding Concealed Carry Concerning Firearms from the Attorney General's office and heard a presentation from Jennifer Craun, Senior Legislative Attorney, Legal Research and Drafting, Bureau of Legislative Research (BLR), regarding the Summary of Possession and Open Carry Laws Concerning Firearms.

The Subcommittee heard testimony from the Attorney General's office.

Senator Ricky Hill made a motion to recommend A.C.A. § 15-73-103 for further study, seconded by Representative Jack Fortner, and the motion carried by voice vote.

Representative Josh Miller made the following comments regarding the upcoming meetings:

• Public Comment:

There will be an opportunity for the public to provide comments to the Subcommittee on each of the topics we take up in this study. There will be a link on the General Assembly website for public comment sign up and there will be a sign up sheet at the committee meeting. Only those members of the public who have signed up in one of those two ways will be allowed to come forward and present their comments to the Subcommittee.

• Member Participation:

I want to invite and encourage all members of the General Assembly to attend these meetings and participate as we work towards recommendations to present to the Legislative Council next year. Although only members of the Subcommittee will be permitted to make motions and vote on the recommendations during this phase, we welcome input from all members of the General Assembly.

• Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be Monday, March 25, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. in this room and we will begin hearing recommendations regarding Possession and Open Carry concerning firearms.

Respectfully submitted, Senator Ricky Hill and Representative Josh Miller