

AGENDA
Arkansas Legislative Council

Friday, May 31, 2024
9:00 AM
Room A, MAC
Little Rock, Arkansas

- A. Call to Order.
- B. Roll Call.
- C. Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting, March 15, 2024.
- D. Presentation of the April 2024 Revenue Report (*Report for March 2024 retained in the file*) – Dr. Carlos Silva, Legislative Economist
- E. Report of the Executive Subcommittee — Rep. Jeff Wardlaw, Sen. Terry Rice, Co-Chairs
- F. Reports of Standing Subcommittees:
 - 1. Administrative Rules: — Rep. Brian Evans, Sen. Kim Hammer, Co-Chairs;
 - 2. Charitable, Penal & Correctional Institutions — Rep. Danny Watson, Sen. Gary Stubblefield, Co-Chairs;
 - 3. Claims Review & Litigation Reports Oversight - Rep. DeAnn Vaught, Sen. Jim Dotson, Co-Chairs;
 - 4. Employee Benefits Division Oversight — Rep. Aaron Pilkington, Sen. Jimmy Hickey, Jr., Co-Chairs;
 - 5. Game and Fish/State Police — Rep. Josh Miller, Sen. Ricky Hill, Co-Chairs;
 - 6. Higher Education — Rep. Charlene Fite, Sen. Dan Sullivan, Co-Chairs;
 - 7. Highway Commission Review and Advisory — Rep. Ron McNair, Sen. Blake Johnson, Co-Chairs;
 - 8. Hospital and Medicaid Study — Rep. Richard Womack, Sen. Missy Irvin, Co-Chairs;
 - 9. Lottery Oversight — Rep. Mindy McAlindon, Sen. Ronald Caldwell, Co-Chairs;
 - 10. Medical Marijuana Oversight - Rep. Stetson Painter, Sen. Clint Penzo, Co-Chairs;
 - 11. Occupational Licensing Review — Rep. Stephen Meeks, Sen. Jane English, Co-Chairs;
 - 12. Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review — Rep. Frances Cavanaugh, Sen. Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chairs;
 - 13. Policy-Making — Rep. Jack Ladyman, Sen. Linda Chesterfield, Co-Chairs;
 - 14. Review: — Rep. Les D. Eaves, Sen. Scott Flipppo, Co-Chairs;
 - 15. Uniform Personnel Classification and Compensation Plan — Rep. Mark H. Berry, Sen. Breanne Davis, Co-Chairs;

Note: All exhibits for this meeting are available by electronic means and are accessible on the General Assembly's website at www.arkleg.state.ar.us

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G. Reports of Interim or Special Committees: (none)

H. Review of Communications:

1. **Arkansas Code Revisor**, Report on local, special, and temporary legislation, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 1-2-303(f) for the 94th General Assembly, 2024 Fiscal Session.
2. **Arkansas Department of Emergency Management, Arkansas 911 Board**, 2023 Annual report on the review and assessment of sustainability and the feasibility of further reduction of the required number of public safety answering points resulting from the standardization of operational processes and training and the implementation of next generation 911 service, submitted pursuant to Act 660 of 2019 and A.C.A. §12-10-305;
3. **Arkansas Department of the Military**, Report to Legislative Council regarding the needs of the Military Department and the progress on high school campus recruiting efforts;
4. **Arkansas Ethics Commission**, Quarterly report for the first quarter of CY2024, concerning Citizen Complaints filed under Act 753 of 2023;
5. **Arkansas Teacher Retirement System**, Annual Comprehensive Financial report showing the financial condition of the system for FY2023, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 24-7-305 (e)(3);
6. **Commissioner of State Lands**, Report of property sold from January through March 2024 by the Commissioner of State Lands Office through the post-auction sale process, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 26-37-202(b)(3).
7. **Department of Commerce:**
 - a. **Arkansas Economic Development Commission**, Quarterly report for the 3rd quarter of FY2024 of industry training activities of the Industry Training Program, submitted pursuant to Section 36 of Act 605 of 2023.
 - b. **Arkansas Economic Development Commission**, Annual Report on the state's economic health for CY2022, in addition to the FY2023 Governors Quick Action Closing Fund Report, both submitted pursuant to A.C.A § 15-4-219 (Act 1282 of 2001).
 - c. **Arkansas Economic Development Commission, Division of Rural Services**, Request to approve the FY24, Cycle 2 Grant Funding recommendations for the Rural Community Grant (RCGP).
 - d. **Department of Workforce Services**, Quarterly Report for Special Funds and the Unemployment Insurance Integrity Report, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. §19-5-984; the Unemployment Insurance Administration Fund and the Unemployment Insurance Modernization Fund, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. §19-5-1232; and the Training Trust Fund, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. §19-5-1131, for the quarters ended March 31, 2024.

8. Department of Corrections:

- a. **Arkansas Post-Prison Transfer Board (formerly Arkansas Parole Board)**, Monthly performance report on parole applications and outcomes for April 2024 (*Report for March 2024 retained in the file*), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 16-93-210;
- b. **Division of Community Correction**, Report on the Community Correction Centers' population totals and Parole and Probation Services' caseload information as of May 7, 2024 (*Report for April 2024 retained in the file*);
- c. **Division of Correction**, Statewide Population Report as of May 6, 2024 (*Report for April 2024 retained in the file*);

9. Department of Finance and Administration:

- a. **Economic Analysis & Tax Research**, Monthly General Revenue Report for April 2024 (*Report for March 2024 retained in the file*);
- b. **Office of Child Support Enforcement**, Semi-annual report concerning the performance and progress of the Child Support Enforcement Program for the period of July 1 – December 31, 2023, submitted pursuant to ACA § 25-10-118.

10. Department of Human Services:

- a. **Office of the Secretary**, Monthly report on assisted living facility reimbursement rates under the Living Choices Assisted Living Waiver, submitted pursuant to Section 15 of Act 213 of 2022;

11. Department of Inspector General:

- a. **Office of Medicaid Inspector General**, Report providing a statistical profile of the referrals made to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the office of the Attorney General, audits, investigations, and recoveries for the 3rd quarter of FY24, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 20-77-2509(e).

12. Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism:

- a. **Capitol Zoning District Commission**, Monthly activity report for April 2024 (*Report for March 2024 retained in the file*), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-3-311;
- b. **Division of State Parks**, Request for approval for the special maintenance program funding appropriation, submitted pursuant to Section 18 of Act 25 of 2024.

13. Department of Public Safety:

- a. **Arkansas State Police**, Quarterly report that identifies by month and budget category the expenses incurred by the Executive Protection Detail for services provided to the Arkansas Governor, submitted pursuant to Act 7 of the 2023 First Extraordinary Session.
- b. **Arkansas State Police**, Monthly activity report for April 2024 regarding activity and condition of the Uniformed Employee Health Insurance Plan, submitted pursuant to Section 47 of Act 803 of the 2023 Regular Session;
- c. **Department of Public Safety**, Report of the DPS Right to Worship Safely Grant Program (RTWSGP), submitted for the first quarter of 2024.

14. Department of Transformation and Shared Services:

- a. **Division of Building Authority**, Monthly performance report pertaining to capital improvement activities (design and construction) for April 2024 (*Report for March 2024 retained in the file*), submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-2-108(13);
- b. **Division of Building Authority**, Quarterly report pertaining to leasing of State owned real property to non-state entities and the transfer of DBA's property to non-state entities from Jan - Mar 2024, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-6-117.

15. **Office of the Attorney General**, Quarterly report of the number of complaints submitted under the Arkansas Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Act (AUFDDPA); the number of the submitted complaints that were settled or prosecuted; and the amount of fines collected during the previous quarter, from March 24, 2023 - June 30, 2023, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 14-271-104(g).

16. Public Service Commission:

- a. Quarterly Report of Rate Cases for the quarter ending March 31, 2024, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 23-4-420.
- b. Quarterly Report concerning operation of the Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund (ARETFF) for the 4th Quarter CY23, ending December 2023, and the 1st quarter of CY24, ending March 2024, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 23-17-404(e)(7)(A)(i).

17. **University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS)**, 2022-2023 Annual Report on the Arkansas Rural Medical Practice Student Loan and Scholarship Program, submitted pursuant to A.C.A. § 6-81-711.

I. **New Business:** (*none*)

J. **New Interim Study Proposals and Interim Resolutions:**

- 1. **ISP 2023-109, by Representative Frances Cavanaugh**, Requesting the Arkansas Legislative Council refer to the House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, and Economic Development, a Study concerning the benefits of county fairs, district fairs, and youth livestock shows.

K. **Business Carried Over:** (*none*)

L. **Adjournment.**