REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE

COUNCIL

October 1, 2020

Senator Cecile Bledsoe, Co-Chair Senator Terry Rice, Vice Co-Chair Senator Jim Hendren Senator Bill Sample

Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Co-Chair Representative Jim Dotson, Vice Co-Chair Representative Matthew J. Shepherd Representative Kenneth B. Ferguson

October 1, 2020 Meeting

We, the Executive Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council, met at 8:30 a.m. on October 1, 2020 in Room B of the Big MAC Building, Little Rock, Arkansas. Co-Chair Cecile Bledsoe called the meeting to order and saw a quorum of members present.

Reconsideration of An Emergency Rule

Department of Commerce, Arkansas Insurance Department – Mr. Booth Rand, Managing Attorney, AID:

1) Rule 121: Declaratory Orders - This proposed regulation implements Ark. Code Ann. §25-15-206 which states that each agency shall provide by rule for the filing and prompt disposition of petitions for declaratory orders as to the applicability of any rule, statute, or order enforced by it.

Co-Chair Bledsoe recognized Mr. Booth Rand, Managing Attorney, AID, Mr. Jim Brader, General Counsel, AID, and Mr. Alan McClain, Commissioner, Arkansas Insurance Department to answer questions regarding the request for review and approval of the emergency rule. Co-Chair Blesoe recognized members for questions.

Following discussion, Co-Chair Bledsoe stated that without objection, the proposed emergency rule is reviewed and approved, and the review and approval is effective upon adjournment of Arkansas Legislative Council, October 1, 2020.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Cecile Bledsoe and Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Executive Subcommittee Co-Chairs CB/JW/MG:sla