REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

May 18, 2018

Senator Bill Sample, Co-Chair
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Senator Jonathan Dismang
Senator Jim Hendren

Representative Jim Dotson, Co-Chair
Representative Jon S. Eubanks, Vice Chair
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Representative George B. McGill

We, the Executive Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council, met at 11:00 a.m. on May 17, 2018 in Committee Room A of the Big Mac Building, Little Rock, Arkansas. Co-Chair Jim Dotson called the meeting to order and saw a quorum of members present. The members present are listed on the sign-in sheet.

Review of Department of Human Services Emergency Rule

Co-Chair Dotson recognized the following to provide the subcommittee with an explanation of the emergency rule entitled, AR Choices 1-18 – Resource Utilization Groups (RUGS) Overview, which was submitted by the Arkansas Department of Human Services: Mr. Kelley Linck, Chief of Governmental and Legislative Affairs; Jim Brader, Chief Deputy Counsel; and Craig Cloud, Director, Division of Provider Services and Quality Assurance.

Following discussion of the rule, Senator Bill Sample moved that without objection, the proposed emergency rule is reviewed and approved, and approval of the emergency rule will be effective upon adjournment of the Legislative Council meeting on Friday, May 18, 2018.

Director's Report

Director Marty Garrity delivered her Director's Report and stated that the practice of the Legislative Council is to not meet during the month when most legislative conferences are scheduled. The Legislative Council meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2018 and legislative conferences will meet as follows: the Southern Legislative Conference (SLC) on July 21 through July 25, 2018; National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) on July 30 through August 2, 2018; and American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) on August 8, 2018 through August 10, 2018.

Following discussion, Senator Bill Sample moved that the Legislative Council will not meet during the month of July 2018, and that the actions of the Legislative Council subcommittees that would normally be reported at the July 2018 meeting of the Legislative Council will be considered final and shall be reported to the Legislative Council at its meeting scheduled for August 17, 2018. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Bill Sample and Representative Jim Dotson, Executive Subcommittee Co-Chairs

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