

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE  
SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE  
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

**June 17, 2022**

Senator Terry Rice, Co-Chair  
Senator Missy Irvin, Vice Co-Chair  
Senator Cecile Bledsoe  
Senator Jimmy Hickey, Jr

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

**June 14, 2022 Meeting**

We, the Executive Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council, met Tuesday, June 14, 2022, in Room B of the Big MAC Building, Little Rock, Arkansas. Co-Chair Jeff Wardlaw called the meeting to order and saw a quorum of members present.

**Department of Human Services:**

Co-Chair Wardlaw recognized Mr. Mark White, Chief of Staff, Department of Human Services (DHS), and Ms. Elizabeth Pitman, Director, DHS, Division of Medical Services (DMS) to present the request for review and approval of the following emergency rule:

- **Department of Human Services – Division of Medical Services:** Acute Crisis Units - Hospital Provider Manual.

Changes were suggested to the proposed emergency rule by members. The agency will resubmit the rule, considering the suggestions.

**Department of Commerce:**

Co-Chair Wardlaw then recognized Mr. Booth Rand, Managing Attorney, Arkansas Insurance Department (AID), and Mr. Jim Brader, Deputy Commissioner, General Counsel, AID to present the request for review and approval of the following emergency rule:

- **Department of Commerce – Arkansas Insurance Department:** Rule 118 - Pharmacy Benefit Managers Regulation.

The emergency rule was reviewed and approved, and the review and approval will be effective at 12:01 a.m., Thursday, June 16, 2022.

**ALC July Meeting Dates:**

After discussion of the proposed July Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC) meeting dates, Co-Chair Wardlaw stated, without objection, the July 2022 meeting of ALC will be moved to Friday, July 22, 2022 at 9:00 a.m., with ALC Subcommittees holding meetings as needed, Monday, July 18th through Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup>.

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

## **June 16, 2022 Emergency Rule**

On June 16, 2022, the Executive Subcommittee exercised the power granted to it under Arkansas Code § 10-3-309(d)(2)(B) and ALC Rule 22(f)(2)(B) to review and approve the following emergency rule in writing on June 16, 2022.

- ***Department of Human Services – Division of Medical Services (DHS - DMS): Acute Crisis Units - Hospital Provider Manual***

A copy of the emergency rule is attached. The emergency rule was reviewed and approved, and the review and approval will be effective upon adjournment of the meeting of the Legislative Council, Friday, June 17, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Terry Rice and Representative Jeff Wardlaw, Executive Subcommittee Co-Chairs

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