

AGENDA
Senate Committee on Judiciary

Wednesday, April 5, 2023
10:00 AM
Room 171, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Gary Stubblefield, Chair
Sen. Stephanie Flowers, Vice-Chair
Sen. Bart Hester
Sen. Terry Rice

Sen. Clarke Tucker
Sen. Ben Gilmore
Sen. Matt McKee
Sen. Alan Clark

RE-REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB405	K. Hammer	TO AMEND THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE OFFENSE OF POSSESSION OF A HANDGUN BY A MINOR.

CONCUR IN SENATE AMENDMENT

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB377	K. Hammer	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITIONS; TO CREATE A MISDEMEANOR OFFENSE CONCERNING INITIATIVE PETITION SIGNATURES; AND TO ESTABLISH THE DEFINITION OF AND REGULATE PAID PETITION BLOCKERS.

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB409	C. Tucker	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING FUNDING FOR PUBLIC DEFENDERS; AND TO REQUIRE COUNTIES TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COVERING THE COST OF THE ANNUAL ATTORNEY'S LICENSE FEE FOR FULL-TIME PUBLIC DEFENDERS.
SB422	J. Bryant	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING JUVENILE COURT JURISDICTION OVER CERTAIN TRAFFIC OFFENSES.
SB429	A. Clark	CONCERNING THE HANDLING, READING, POSSESSION, OR VIEWING OF ELECTION-RELATED DATA AND PROVIDING THAT ELECTION-RELATED DATA IS EXEMPT FROM THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967 FOR A PERIOD OF TIME.
SB430	A. Clark	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING CHALLENGES TO ELECTION RESULTS.
SB431	A. Clark	AMENDING ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE HANDLING OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS.
SB437	B. Davis	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN ADDITIONAL CIRCUIT JUDGESHIP.

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SB442	G. Leding	TO ENSURE THAT ANY COURT COSTS AND FEES PAID BY A DEFENDANT IN A CRIMINAL CASE SHALL BE REFUNDED TO HIM OR HER IF FOUND NOT GUILTY OR ACQUITTED.
SB281	B. King	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING REPEAT OFFENDERS AND PAROLE ELIGIBILITY.
SB385	C. Penzo	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ISSUES RELATED TO CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING AND CHILD EXPLOITATION.
SB515	Irvin	TO AMEND THE MEDICAID FRAUD ACT AND THE MEDICAID FRAUD FALSE CLAIMS ACT.
SB518	Irvin	TO AMEND THE MEDICAID FRAUD ACT AND THE MEDICAID FRAUD FALSE CLAIMS ACT; AND TO UPDATE LANGUAGE AND DEFINITIONS TO REFLECT CHANGES WITHIN THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM;.
SB525	J. Petty	CONCERNING VENOUS BLOOD DRAWS IN CONNECTION WITH A CRIMINAL OFFENSE; TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR WHO CAN PERFORM VENOUS BLOOD DRAWS; AND TO CLARIFY CIRCUMSTANCES FOR A SECOND TEST UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.
HB1664	Gazaway	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY LAW LIBRARY BOARDS.
HB1666	Gazaway	CONCERNING THE PREPARED SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY ORDERED WHEN A JUDGMENT CALLS FOR PROPERTY SUBJECT TO EXECUTION.
SB546	Hester	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MAIL SENT TO A STATE INMATE; AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REDACTIONS FROM A CLIENT FILE MAILED TO A STATE INMATE.
SB486	G. Leding	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PAROLE ELIGIBILITY OF A PERSON WHO IS CONVICTED OF AN OFFENSE COMMITTED WHEN HE OR SHE WAS A MINOR.
SB552	Hester	TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF CAPITAL RAPE.
SB527	K. Hammer	TO IMPOSE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTERING INTO AND DISSOLVING A COVENANT MARRIAGE.
SB283	Gilmore	CREATING THE FENTANYL ENFORCEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2023; CONCERNING FENTANYL AND OTHER CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; TO ESTABLISH INCREASED PENALTIES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB439	C. Tucker	TO CREATE THE LEGISLATIVE RECIDIVISM REDUCTION TASK FORCE.
HB1502	Gazaway	TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF SEXUAL SOLICITATION OF A MINOR; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM SUPPORT FUND; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE SAFE HARBOR FUND FOR SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN.
HB1521	Wing	TO CREATE THE CRIMINAL OFFENSE OF DISARMING AN OFFICER.
SB561	A. Clark	TO REQUIRE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS TO BE USED FOR THE BENEFIT OF A MINOR CHILD; AND TO ALLOW A COURT TO ORDER A PERSON RECEIVING CHILD SUPPORT TO FURNISH AN ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES PAID WITH CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS.
SB563	A. Clark	TO EXPAND UPON THE GUIDELINES THAT THE FAMILY SUPPORT CHART SHOULD PROVIDE.
HB1672	Pearce	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE CIVIL ACTION TO ELIMINATE THE AVAILABILITY OF PREMISES USED CONTINUALLY IN CRIMINAL OFFENSES.
HB1603	Bentley	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE DRUG CRIME SPECIAL ASSESSMENT; AND THE USE OF GRANTS FUNDED BY THE DRUG CRIME SPECIAL ASSESSMENT.

HB1615	Lundstrum	TO CREATE THE CONSCIENCE PROTECTION ACT; AND TO AMEND THE RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RESTORATION ACT.
HB1623	Tosh	TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE OFFENSE OF FLEEING BY MEANS OF A VEHICLE OR CONVEYANCE.
HB1647	Rose	TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF OFFENSIVE RELATIONS WITH A CHILD; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1678	Beaty Jr.	TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNOR TO DENY AN APPLICATION FOR PARDON, COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE, AND REMISSION OF FINES AND FORFEITURES WITH PREJUDICE.
SB579	G. Leding	CONCERNING THE SENTENCING OF A PERSON WHO COMMITTED AN OFFENSE BEFORE HE OR SHE TURNED TWENTY-ONE (21) YEARS OF AGE.
HB1613	Underwood	TO AMEND THE DOMESTIC ABUSE ACT OF 1991; TO ALLOW FOR REMOTE APPEARANCES AND EXPEDITED HEARINGS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES IN AN ORDER OF PROTECTION CASE; AND TO CREATE A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM.
HB1696	Vaught	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ANIMALS; AND TO ESTABLISH LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES FROM A DOG BITE.
HB1758	Gazaway	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMMERCIAL BURGLARY; AND TO CREATE AN ENHANCED PENALTY FOR COMMERCIAL BURGLARY OF A PHARMACY.
HB1790	Gazaway	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING AGGRAVATED ASSAULT AND DOMESTIC BATTERY.
HB1456	Gazaway	CREATING THE FENTANYL ENFORCEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2023; CONCERNING FENTANYL AND OTHER CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES; TO ESTABLISH INCREASED PENALTIES; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
HB1663	Gazaway	TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF KNOWINGLY EXPOSING ANOTHER PERSON TO FENTANYL.
HB1339	Lundstrum	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES.

INACTIVE BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB2	Gilmore	TO CREATE THE "TRUTH IN SENTENCING AND PAROLE REFORM ACT OF 2023".
SB40	J. Boyd	TO EXCLUDE FENTANYL TEST STRIPS FROM THE DEFINITION OF "DRUG PARAPHERNALIA" UNDER THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT.
SB182	D. Sullivan	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC RECORDING AND DELETION OF ELECTRONIC DATA.
SB337	Caldwell	TO AUTHORIZE A PENALTY FOR THREATENING A STATE EMPLOYEE IN THE COURSE OF HIS OR HER JOB DUTIES; AND TO AUTHORIZE A PENALTY FOR ALERTING AN INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY OF A STATE INVESTIGATION.

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Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB60	L. Chesterfield	TO ABOLISH THE PANIC DEFENSE.