

**AGENDA**  
**Senate Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor**  
**House Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor**  
**Meeting Jointly**

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**Friday, August 29, 2014**

**09:00 AM**

**Room A, MAC**

**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Sen. Cecile Bledsoe, Chair  
Sen. Linda Chesterfield, Vice Chair  
Sen. Stephanie Flowers  
Sen. David Burnett  
Sen. Missy Irvin  
Sen. Jonathan Dismang  
Sen. Ronald Caldwell  
Sen. John Cooper

Rep. John Burris, Chair  
Rep. Reginald Murdock, Vice Chair  
Rep. James L. Word  
Rep. Butch Wilkins  
Rep. Mark Perry  
Rep. Stephanie Malone  
Rep. Henry "Hank" Wilkins, IV  
Rep. Greg Leding  
Rep. Fredrick J. Love  
Rep. Kelley Linck  
Rep. Justin T. Harris  
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw  
Rep. Kim Hammer  
Rep. David L. Branscum  
Rep. David Meeks  
Rep. Andy Mayberry

Rep. Betty Overbey  
Rep. Chris Richey  
Rep. Richard Womack  
Rep. Deborah Ferguson  
Rep. Nate Steel, Non-Voting  
Rep. Mark Biviano, Non-Voting  
Rep. Charlie Collins, Non-Voting  
Rep. Matthew J. Shepherd, Non-Voting  
Rep. Tommy Thompson, Non-Voting  
Rep. Charlotte Vining Douglas, Non-Voting  
Rep. Sue Scott, Non-Voting  
Rep. Mark D. McElroy, Non-Voting  
Rep. Stephen Magie, Non-Voting  
Rep. John K. Hutchison, Non-Voting  
Rep. John Baine, Non-Voting  
Rep. Mary Broadaway, Non-Voting

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- A. Call to Order
- B. Comments by the Chairs
1. Representative John Burris
  2. Senator Cecile Bledsoe
- C. Ebola Update and the Arkansas Response
1. Nathaniel Smith, M.D., MPH, Director & State Health Officer, Arkansas Department of Health
  2. Discussion by the Committees
- D. Arkansas Department of Health, Environmental Health Protection, Review of Rules & Regulations Pertaining to Onsite Wastewater Systems (**EXHIBIT D**)
1. Robert Brech, Chief Financial Officer, Arkansas Department of Health
  2. Discussion and Action by the Committees
- E. Arkansas Department of Health, Environmental Health Protection, Review of Rules & Regulations Pertaining to Label of Bedding & Germicidal Treatment of Used Bedding (**EXHIBIT E**)
1. Robert Brech, Chief Financial Officer, Arkansas Department of Health
  2. Discussion and Action by the Committees

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- F. Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality, Review of Proposed Change to Regulation 6, which are the Regulations for State Administration of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)—This Change Implements Recommendations Formed by a Committee Authorized by Act 1511 of 2013 which Updates Public Notice Requirements for Coverage Under the Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations General Permit **(EXHIBIT F)**
  - 1. Teresa Marks, Director, Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality,
  - 2. Discussion & Action by the Committees
  
- G. Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Services, Review of Therapy 2-14 Rule Which Includes New Standardized Testing for the Occupational, Physical, & Speech Therapy Manual **(EXHIBIT G)**
  - 1. Marilyn Strickland, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Medical Services, Department of Human Services
  - 2. Discussion & Action by the Committees
  
- H. Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Services, Review of Episode 3-14 Rule Which Adjusts the Thresholds for Incentive Payments for Perinatal Care Episodes **(EXHIBIT H)**
  - 1. Marilyn Strickland, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Medical Services, Department of Human Services
  - 2. Discussion & Action by the Committees
  
- I. Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Services, Review of Episode 4-14 Rule Which Adjusts the Thresholds for Incentive Payments for Acute Exacerbation of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) Episodes **(EXHIBIT I)**
  - 1. Marilyn Strickland, Chief Operating Officer, Division of Medical Services, Department of Human Services
  - 2. Discussion & Action by the Committees
  
- J. Update from the Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling on the Status of New Licenses and Renewals
  - 1. Michael Loos, Ph.D., Executive Director, Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling
  - 2. Mark Coffman, Board Chair, Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling
  - 3. Discussion by the Committees
  
- K. **ADOPTION of ISP2013-199** – “Requesting the Interim House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor Study the Role of the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse” **(EXHIBIT K)**
  - 1. Sponsor: Representative Kim Hammer
  - 2. Discussion by the Committees
  
- L. Other Business
  
- M. Adjournment