

AGENDA
Senate Committee on Insurance and Commerce

Wednesday, April 5, 2023
8:00 AM
Room 309, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Sen. Ricky Hill, Chair
Sen. Reginald Murdock, Vice-Chair
Sen. Missy Irvin
Sen. Jonathan Dismang

Sen. Jimmy Hickey, Jr
Sen. Mark Johnson
Sen. Clint Penzo
Sen. Justin Boyd

REGULAR AGENDA

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
HB1700	McGrew	TO EXEMPT PROPERTY MANAGERS FROM LICENSURE BY THE ARKANSAS REAL ESTATE COMMISSION; AND TO AMEND THE REAL ESTATE LICENSE LAW.
SB449	J. English	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS BROADBAND ADVISORY COUNCIL; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.
SB151	C. Penzo	CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY TO A REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST BY WARRANTY DEED.
HB1713	Perry	TO AMEND THE SELF-INSURED FIDELITY BOND PROGRAM.
HB1656	Pilkington	TO REQUIRE A REPORT CONCERNING FUNDS SUPPORTING PROGRAMS FOR INDIVIDUALS STARTING NEW BUSINESSES OR BUSINESSES ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS.
HB1655	Pilkington	TO ENCOURAGE STATE AGENCIES TO AWARD A PORTION OF STATE CONTRACTS TO ARKANSAS BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BEEN IN OPERATION FOR LESS THAN FIVE (5) YEARS.
HB1657	Pilkington	TO ENCOURAGE THE AWARD OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUNDING TO NEW BUSINESSES AND BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BEEN IN OPERATION FOR LESS THAN FIVE YEARS.
HB1658	Pilkington	TO REQUIRE A REPORT CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS OR PROGRAMS FOR NEW BUSINESSES OR BUSINESSES ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS.
HB1659	Pilkington	TO ENCOURAGE THE AWARD OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING TO NEW BUSINESSES AND BUSINESSES ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS.
HB1660	Pilkington	CONCERNING A REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION CONCERNING CONTRACTS AWARDED TO BUSINESSES IN OPERATION LESS THAN FIVE YEARS.
HB1272	L. Johnson	TO AMEND THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; AND TO PROHIBIT A HEALTHCARE INSURER FROM LEASING A HEALTHCARE CONTRACT OR PROVIDER NETWORK.
HB1276	L. Johnson	TO EXCLUDE ANTIPSYCHOTIC PRESCRIPTION DRUGS FROM STEP THERAPY.

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HB1348	L. Johnson	TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STATE AUDIT PROCESS CONCERNING QUALIFIED PAYMENT AMOUNTS; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP A STATE AUDIT PROCESS CONCERNING QUALIFIED PAYMENT AMOUNTS.
HB1652	Eaves	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROCUREMENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES; AND TO AMEND THE DEFINITIONS OF "CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT" AND "POLITICAL SUBDIVISION" FOR PURPOSES OF THE PROCUREMENT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.
SB545	J. Bryant	TO CREATE STANDARDS FOR THE EVALUATION OF CLAIMS; AND TO ENSURE GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING IN THE BUSINESS OF INSURANCE.
SB553	C. Penzo	TO ADD AN EXEMPTION TO REAL ESTATE LICENSURE; AND TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS REAL ESTATE WHOLESALE CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT.
SB490	G. Leding	CONCERNING COVERAGE FOR GENETIC TESTING FOR INHERITED CANCER MUTATIONS; AND TO CREATE THE GENETIC TESTING ACT.

DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
SB41	Hill	TO REGULATE ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL JUSTICE, OR GOVERNANCE SCORES OR METRICS; AND TO ALLOW THE TREASURER OF STATE TO DIVEST THE STATE OF STOCKS, SECURITIES, OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS.
SB140	J. Bryant	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" UNDER THE PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1995; AND TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" AS USED UNDER THE ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS.
SB169	J. Bryant	TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" UNDER THE PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1995; AND TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "HEALTHCARE PROVIDER" AS USED UNDER THE ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS.
SB183	C. Penzo	TO AMEND THE EXEMPTIONS FOR LICENSURE UNDER THE RESIDENTIAL CONTRACTORS COMMITTEE; AND TO UPGRADE HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTOR LICENSES OBTAINED BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2022, TO RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONTRACTOR LICENSES.
SB142	Irvin	TO AMEND THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT; AND TO REGULATE NETWORK LEASING UNDER THE HEALTHCARE CONTRACTING SIMPLIFICATION ACT.
HB1242	Wardlaw	TO ALLOW CERTAIN RETIRED PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES TO OBTAIN PHARMACY BENEFITS IF ENROLLED IN THE STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM.
SB351	J. Bryant	TO CREATE A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR BREACH OF AN IMPLIED COVENANT OF GOOD FAITH AND FAIR DEALING.
SB148	Irvin	TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT.
SB143	Irvin	TO AMEND THE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TRANSPARENCY ACT; AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS THAT PROVIDE CERTAIN HEALTHCARE SERVICES FROM PRIOR AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS.
SB119	Irvin	TO CLARIFY PAYMENT FOR HEALTHCARE SERVICES PERFORMED BY CERTAIN OUTPATIENT SURGERY CENTERS.
SB122	B. King	TO CREATE THE HEALTHCARE COST-SHARING COLLECTIONS ACT.
SB137	Irvin	TO MANDATE COVERAGE FOR NECESSARY MAXILLOFACIAL SERVICES.

SB443	G. Leding	TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS EMPLOYMENT FIRST ACT; TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT FIRST; TO ESTABLISH THE EMPLOYMENT FIRST ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AND TO ESTABLISH THE EMPLOYMENT FIRST BUSINESS PARTNER PROGRAM.
SB468	C. Penzo	TO REQUIRE PERSONAL CARE PROVIDERS TO SUBMIT APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTATION TO THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM AND TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS.
SB474	J. Bryant	TO CLARIFY THE INFORMATION THAT MAY BE OBTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES FROM EXTERNAL DATA PROVIDERS FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ARKANSAS MEDICAID PROGRAM AND SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
SB544	M. McKee	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING ENERGY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COAL-POWERED ELECTRICAL GENERATION FACILITIES; TO REQUIRE CERTAIN ACTIONS BEFORE DECOMMISSIONING OR DISPOSAL OF ASSETS; AND TO REQUIRE A STUDY.