

MINUTES
SENATE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGING, CHILDREN AND YOUTH, LEGISLATIVE
AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
Meeting Jointly
Tuesday, September 20, 2022
1:00 PM
Room A, MAC
Little Rock, Arkansas

Committee members present: Senators David Wallace, Chair, Bob Ballinger, and Cecile Bledsoe; Representatives Charlene Fite, Chair, Sonia Eubanks Barker, Vice Chair, Mark H. Berry, Craig Christiansen, Cindy Crawford, Denise Garner, Julie Mayberry, Rick McClure, Jon Milligan, and Joy Springer

Other members present: Senators Jane English and Kim Hammer; Representatives Denise Jones Ennett, Jack Ladyman, Austin McCollum, Tippi McCullough, Aaron Pilkington, Johnny Rye, and Keith Slape

Senator Wallace called the meeting to order.

Consideration to Approve the August 23, 2022, Meeting Minutes [EXHIBIT B]

Representative Crawford made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Representative Milligan, and the motion carried.

Presentation on Services Provided to Deaf Arkansans by the Arkansas Association of the Deaf (AAD) [EXHIBITS C1 – C3]

Jeff Prail, Vice-President, AAD, gave a presentation detailing the services provided to Deaf Arkansans by the Arkansas Association of the Deaf and the services needed, including a Deaf Service Center.

Arkansas Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Children and Family Services (DCFS), Review of Rule: Regular Promulgation for – Support Payments to Provisional Resource Parents [EXHIBIT D]

Mischa Martin, Director, DCFS, DHS, discussed the proposed rule regarding Regular Promulgation for Support Payments to Provisional Resource Parents. The Rule went into effect August 1st, 2022, and provides support payments to provisional foster parents.

Senator Wallace stated that, without objection, this rule stands as reviewed.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.