

**AGENDA (Revised 03/11/09, 1:24 P.M.)**  
**House Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor**  
**87th General Assembly**  
**Regular Session, 2009**

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**Thursday, March 12, 2009**

**10:00 AM**

**Room 130, State Capitol**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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**REGULAR AGENDA**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>Subtitle</b>
<a href="#">HB1568</a>	Hobbs	AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ADULT AND LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY RESIDENT MALTREATMENT ACT.
<a href="#">HB1569</a>	Hobbs	AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ADULT MALTREATMENT CUSTODY ACT.
<a href="#">HB1576</a>	L. Smith	TO ADJUST FOR INFLATION THE AMOUNT IN CONTROVERSY REGARDING WAGE DISPUTES HEARD AND DECIDED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.
<a href="#">HB1703</a>	Shelby	TO CLARIFY THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS; TO REQUIRE THE STATE EMPLOYEE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL PERSONNEL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS TO COMPLY WITH ARKANSAS'S PATIENT PROTECTION AND ANY WILLING PROVIDER LAWS.
<a href="#">HB1797</a>	English	TO CREATE THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY WORKFORCE SYSTEM TASK FORCE.
<a href="#">HB1866</a>	J. Burris	AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE ALLOWANCE FOR FURNISHING BOARD, LODGING, APPAREL, ETC., UNDER THE MINIMUM WAGE LAW.
<a href="#">HB1891</a>	Nickels	TO ESTABLISH A UNIFIED HEALTH CARE BENEFIT PROGRAM FOR ALL PUBLICLY FUNDED EMPLOYEES AND RETIRED EMPLOYEES.
<a href="#">HB1920</a>	Maloch	TO PLACE REASONABLE RESTRICTIONS ON YOUTHFUL CONSUMERS WHO UTILIZE TANNING FACILITIES.
<a href="#">HB1922</a>	Shelby	AN ACT TO CLARIFY CERTAIN TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THE PATIENT PROTECTION ACT OF 1995.
<a href="#">HB1927</a>	Shelby	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD TO DISCIPLINE PHYSICIANS FOR ETHICAL VIOLATIONS.
<a href="#">HB1930</a>	Adcock	TO REQUIRE HEARING AIDS TO BE COVERED BY HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS.
<a href="#">SB63</a>	Madison	AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 20 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 ANNOTATED.
<a href="#">SB64</a>	Madison	AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CORRECTIONS TO TITLE 11 OF THE ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987 ANNOTATED, SOME PORTIONS OF WHICH RESULTED FROM INITIATED ACT 4 OF 1949.
<a href="#">SB356</a>	Broadway	AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT PATIENTS CAN BE TRANSPORTED TO THE FACILITY OF CHOICE WITHOUT REGARD TO SERVICE AREA RESTRICTIONS.

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<a href="#">SB595</a>	Laverty	TO AMEND THE PROCEDURES FOR REMOVAL OF A PERSON S NAME FROM THE CHILD MALTREATMENT CENTRAL REGISTRY.
<a href="#">HB1950</a>	Shelby	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY MATCH INCOME INCENTIVE PROGRAM THROUGH THE ARKANSAS RURAL MEDICAL PRACTICE STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP BOARD.
<a href="#">HB1951</a>	Pyle	TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE MASSAGE THERAPY ACT.
<a href="#">HB1969</a>	Clemmer	AN ACT CONCERNING THE ASSIGNMENT AND RECOVERY OF THIRD-PARTY LIABILITY FOR MEDICAID COSTS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.
<a href="#">HB1985</a>	Clemmer	TO CLARIFY AN LIABILITIES REGARDING FAILURE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN APPROVAL BEFORE DISPOSING OF FUNDS THAT SHOULD BE HELD FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF MEDICAID COSTS.
<a href="#">HB1988</a>	Cooper	AN ACT TO ALLOW THE OPERATION OF MOBILE DENTAL FACILITIES UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS.
<a href="#">HB1997</a>	Hall	AN ACT TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS OF LAW REGARDING THE DISTRIBUTION OF DRUG SAMPLES.
<a href="#">HB1998</a>	L. Cowling	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE PERMITS OF APPROVAL FOR HOSPICES IN BORDER CITIES.
<a href="#">HB2015</a>	M. Burris	TO EXEMPT EMPLOYER AND TRADE ASSOCIATION TRAINING FROM THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE BOARD OF PRIVATE CAREER EDUCATION.
<a href="#">HB2027</a>	Hall	TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER.
<a href="#">HB2032</a>	Allen	AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS EARTHQUAKE PROGRAM BY INCREASING DISASTER PREPAREDNESS.
<a href="#">HB2033</a>	M. Burris	TO CREATE A TASK FORCE ON WATER QUALITY.
<a href="#">HB2036</a>	Wells	TO CREATE THE HEALTH CARE COST STABILIZATION ACT OF 2009.
<a href="#">HB2038</a>	Wells	TO CREATE THE INFORMED MEDICAL PATIENT ACT OF 2009.
<a href="#">HB2039</a>	Wells	AN ACT REGARDING SALES LIMITS FOR EPHEDRINE.
<a href="#">HB2052</a>	Dismang	TO ENSURE SUFFICIENT DEPOSITS INTO A CEMETERY COMPANY'S PERMANENT MAINTENANCE FUND AND TO DEFINE A LAWN CRYPT.
<a href="#">HB2055</a>	Dismang	TO AMEND THE CEMETERY ACT FOR PERPETUALLY MAINTAINED CEMETERIES, 20-17-1001 ET SEQ.
<a href="#">HB2056</a>	Reep	TO RESTRUCTURE THE LANDFILL POST CLOSURE FUND.
<a href="#">HB2057</a>	Reep	TO PROTECT EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKERS THROUGH EVALUATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS SUSPECTED OF INFECTING AN EMERGENCY RESPONSE WORKER WITH A LIFE-THREATENING DISEASE.
<a href="#">HB2058</a>	Reep	TO CREATE THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OMNIBUS ACT.
<a href="#">HB2061</a>	Everett	AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE RULES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REGARDING SEPTIC SYSTEMS.
<a href="#">HB2088</a>	Shelby	TO CREATE PHYSICIAN PROFILING PROGRAMS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT TO ADOPT RULES FOR PHYSICIAN PROFILING PROGRAMS.
<a href="#">HB2089</a>	Shelby	AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM.
<a href="#">HB2091</a>	Dunn	TO REESTABLISH FAIRNESS, TRANSPARENCY, AND COMPETITION IN THE BIDDING PRACTICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLICLY FUNDED BUILDINGS, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND FACILITIES.
<a href="#">HCR1019</a>	T. Baker	TO ENCOURAGE A NATIONAL SOLUTION TO HEALTHCARE REFORM FOR AMERICA.
<a href="#">HB2127</a>	Garner	TO REGULATE THE INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC SIGNS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSING OF PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC SIGNS.
<a href="#">HB2136</a>	Hall	TO REQUIRE CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED TO THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD S CREDENTIALING INFORMATION SYSTEM.
<a href="#">HB2138</a>	Hopper	AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES HAVE EMERGENCY GENERATORS.
<a href="#">HB2143</a>	Harrelson	AN ACT TO ADD TWO BOARD MEMBERS TO THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE AND RELATED TECHNIQUES.
<a href="#">HB2148</a>	Greenberg	TO EXPAND THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARKANSAS CITIZENS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED CARE WAIVER UNDER THE STATE MEDICAID PROGRAM.

<a href="#">HB2168</a>	J. Rogers	AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME UNDER WHICH ACTION ON A LIEN MAY BE TAKEN UNDER THE MEDICAL, NURSING, HOSPITAL, AND AMBULANCE SERVICE LIEN ACT.
<a href="#">HB2175</a>	King	AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE USE OF CONTRACTORS ON CERTAIN PROJECTS.
<a href="#">HB2177</a>	Dunn	TO PROMOTE CONSUMER SAVINGS ON PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.
<a href="#">HB2178</a>	Harrelson	TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE MONETARY LIMIT BEFORE A CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IS REQUIRED.
<a href="#">HB2185</a>	M. Burris	TO PROVIDE FOR ELEVATOR INSPECTIONS, ELEVATOR LOAD TESTS, AND FEES FOR ELEVATOR INSPECTIONS AND ELEVATOR LOAD TESTS.
<a href="#">HB2186</a>	Sample	AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS PHARMACY AUDIT BILL OF RIGHTS.
<a href="#">HB2188</a>	Blount	AN ACT TO PROVIDE HOSPITAL CHARITY CARE TRANSPARENCY AND TO PROHIBIT UNFAIR DEBT COLLECTIONS BY HOSPITALS.
<a href="#">HB2189</a>	Blount	THE ARKANSAS PATIENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ACT.
<a href="#">HB2195</a>	Pennartz	TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MENTAL HEALTH PARITY ACT, 23-99-501 ET SEQ. AND TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE ACT CONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL LAW.
<a href="#">HB2196</a>	Everett	TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF THE DIVISION OF BEHAVIORAL SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.
<a href="#">HB2204</a>	Pyle	WALT'S LAW: TO ALLOW FOR THE CRYOGENIC TREATMENT THE HYPOGYCGOUDOLEBOISM SYSTEM.
<a href="#">HB2212</a>	Shelby	TO CLARIFY WHEN EMPLOYEES OF NURSING FACILITIES ARE NOT REQUIRED TO INITIATE CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION FOR UNWITNESSED DEATHS.
<a href="#">HB2218</a>	Carroll	TO PROVIDE RESIDENTIAL TENANTS RELIEF FROM FORECLOSURE AND EVICTION PROCEEDINGS.
<a href="#">HB2224</a>	Adcock	TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PERMIT AND INSPECT CONCESSION STANDS, BOTH STATIONARY AND MOBILE.
<a href="#">SB312</a>	Steele	AN ACT TO CREATE "THE ANTONY HOBBS III ACT" AND TO CREATE SCHOOL-BASED AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR AND CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION PROGRAMS.
<a href="#">SB318</a>	Bookout	CONCERNING LICENSE FEES FOR BURIAL ASSOCIATIONS.
<a href="#">SB582</a>	Teague	AN ACT TO LEVY AN ASSESSMENT FEE ON HOSPITALS TO IMPROVE HEALTH CARE ACCESS FOR THE CITIZENS OF ARKANSAS.
<a href="#">HB2244</a>	Maloch	TO PROVIDE HEALTH BENEFIT COVERAGE FOR AN ORTHOTIC DEVICE, AN ORTHOTIC SERVICE, A PROSTHETIC DEVICE, AND A PROSTHETIC SERVICE.
<a href="#">HB2257</a>	Ragland	TO AMEND THE HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY ACT TO ADJUST THE EXPENDITURE LIMIT FOR ALTERATIONS OR RENOVATIONS.
<a href="#">HCR1023</a>	Williams	RECOGNIZING HEART GALLERY WEEK.
<a href="#">SB239</a>	Bledsoe	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE PHYSICIANS AND PODIATRISTS TO DELEGATE THE PERFORMANCE OF SOME SIMPLE PROCEDURES TO EMPLOYEES.

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Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
<a href="#">HB1575</a>	L. Smith	AN ACT TO PROSCRIBE UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT BY PHYSICIANS WITH REGARD TO ANATOMIC PATHOLOGY SERVICES.

## DEFERRED BILLS

Number	Sponsor	Subtitle
<a href="#">HB1003</a>	King	AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCLUSION OF PHYSICIANS, NURSES, AND OTHER MEDICAL PERSONNEL IN THAT CLASSIFICATION OF MEDICAL PERSONNEL WHO CAN USE EMERGENCY FLASHING LIGHTS ON THEIR VEHICLES IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.
<a href="#">HB1108</a>	L. Smith	AN ACT TO PREVENT PHYSICIANS FROM REFERRING PATIENTS TO MEDICAL IMAGING ENTITIES IN WHICH THE PHYSICIANS HAVE A FINANCIAL INTEREST.
<a href="#">HB1134</a>	Hall	THE HEALTH CARE ACCESS IMPROVEMENT ACT.

<a href="#">HB1216</a>	Shelby	AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD AND THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING TO DEVELOP A JOINT APPLICATION FOR COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN COLLABORATING PHYSICIANS AND ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES.
<a href="#">HB1238</a>	Garner	TO CREATE AND FUND THE TRAUMA SYSTEM TRUST FUND.
<a href="#">HB1275</a>	J. Burris	THE "RON HENSON EMPLOYER FAIRNESS ACT".
<a href="#">HB1281</a>	Carter	AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL PERSONS RECEIVING BENEFITS THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO UNDERGO RANDOM TESTING FOR ILLEGAL DRUGS.
<a href="#">HB1389</a>	Reep	TO REQUIRE ONE (1) COMPREHENSIVE EYE AND VISION EXAMINATION BY A LICENSED OPTOMETRIST OR OPHTHALMOLOGIST FOR CHILDREN ENTERING A PUBLIC SCHOOL OR A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST YEAR IN PRE-K, KINDERGARTEN, OR GRADE ONE.
<a href="#">HB1411</a>	Shelby	TO AMEND THE TRAUMA SYSTEM ACT.
<a href="#">HB1419</a>	Wells	TO PROTECT NURSING HOME RESIDENTS FROM THE THREAT OF FIRE; TO PROHIBIT TAMPERING WITH SMOKE DETECTORS AND FIRE EXTINGUISHERS IN NURSING HOMES WHEN AN EMERGENCY HAS BEEN SOUNDED.
<a href="#">HB1456</a>	Shelby	AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF VULNERABLE ARKANSANS AND TO CREATE A GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF SERVICES BY CHARITABLE CLINICS.
<a href="#">HB1472</a>	R. Green	TO IMPROVE THE LOCAL CONTROL OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BY ALLOWING FOR AN ALTERNATIVE FORMATION OF A SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
<a href="#">HB1495</a>	Carroll	TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM OF COORDINATED SERVICES TO FACILITATE AND UNITE DIAGNOSTIC, INTERVENTION, AND TRANSITION EFFORTS TO HELP INFANTS AND CHILDREN WITH PERMANENT HEARING LOSS.
<a href="#">HB1520</a>	T. Rogers	TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF A COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION JOB REQUIRING A CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE.
<a href="#">HB1565</a>	Reep	AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE ARKANSAS TASK FORCE ON PREMATURETY AND INFANT MORTALITY.
<a href="#">HB1633</a>	Reep	AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF FOSTER PARENTS AND PREADOPTIVE PARENTS REGARDING CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT.
<a href="#">HB1603</a>	Shelby	TO IMPROVE THE INVESTIGATION AND CERTIFICATION OF DEATH IN ARKANSAS.
<a href="#">HB1641</a>	Saunders	AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROVIDER FEE FOR INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.