

**TENTATIVE AGENDA**  
**Senate Committee on Education**  
**House Committee on Education**  
**Meeting Jointly**

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**Tuesday, November 08, 2011**

**10:00 AM**

**Room 171, State Capitol**  
**Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Sen. Jimmy Jeffress, Chair  
Sen. Mary Anne Salmon, Vice Chair  
Sen. Gilbert Baker  
Sen. Kim Hendren  
Sen. Gene Jeffress  
Sen. Johnny Key  
Sen. Joyce Elliott  
Sen. Bruce Holland

Rep. Eddie L. Cheatham, Chair  
Rep. Johnnie J. Roebuck, Vice Chair  
Rep. Toni Bradford  
Rep. Kathy Webb  
Rep. Bobby J. Pierce  
Rep. Donna Hutchinson  
Rep. Randy Stewart  
Rep. Jerry R. Brown  
Rep. Duncan Baird  
Rep. Tim Summers  
Rep. Debra M. Hobbs  
Rep. Les "Skip" Carnine  
Rep. Robert E. Dale  
Rep. Karen S. Hopper  
Rep. Ann V. Clemmer  
Rep. James McLean

Rep. Jody Dickinson  
Rep. Jane English  
Rep. Tracy Steele  
Rep. Tommy Wren  
Rep. James L. Word, Non-Voting  
Rep. Andrea Lea, Non-Voting  
Rep. Garry L. Smith, Non-Voting  
Rep. Davy Carter, Non-Voting  
Rep. Tiffany Rogers, Non-Voting  
Rep. Henry "Hank" Wilkins, IV, Non-Voting  
Rep. John Catlett, Non-Voting  
Rep. Homer Lenderman, Non-Voting  
Rep. Kelley Linck, Non-Voting  
Rep. Gary Deffenbaugh, Non-Voting  
Rep. Justin T. Harris, Non-Voting  
Rep. Jeremy Gillam, Non-Voting

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- A. Call to Order – 10:00 A.M.
- B. Remarks by the Co-Chairs
- C. Approval of the Minutes of October 11, 2011 **[Exhibit C]**
- D. Receipt and Discussion of the Annual Report of the School Leadership Coordinating Council  
**Dr. Mary Gunter**, Chair, School Leadership Coordinating Council
- E. Discussion of the Imagination Library Program  
**Ms. MaryAnne Williams**, Facilitator, Arkansas Partnerships for Preschool Literacy Education, and Coordinator, Imagination Library of Prairie and Woodruff Counties
- F. Preliminary Discussion of Act 593 of 2011, TO STUDY THE ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF AN EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR. **[Exhibit F]**
  - 1. Remarks by Senator Johnny Key, Sponsor
  - 2. Discussion by Committees
- G. Discussion of Motion to Refer Interim Study Proposal 2011-030 by Representative Mauch, TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MINIMUM AGE FOR ENROLLMENT IN PUBLIC SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN, to the Early Childhood Subcommittee of the House Interim Committee on Education **[Exhibit G]**

**Notice: Silence your cell phones. Keep your personal conversations to a minimum. Observe restrictions designating areas as "Members and Staff Only"**

- H. Discussion of Case Studies Concerning Student Achievement and School Improvement  
**Dr. Brent Benda**, Senior Research Specialist, Bureau of Legislative Research  
**Ms. Nell Smith**, Senior Research Specialist, Bureau of Legislative Research
- I. Discussion of Issues Related to Educator Licensure  
**Dr. Karen Cushman**, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Human Resources, Arkansas Department of Education
- J. Discussion of Issues Related to Out-of-Area Waivers  
**Dr. Karen Cushman**, Assistant Commissioner, Division of Human Resources, Arkansas Department of Education
- K. Discussion of Issues Related to Fiscal Distress  
**Mr. Tony Wood**, Assistant Commissioner, Arkansas Department of Education
- L. Other Business
- M. Adjournment