

AGENDA (Revised 3/20/17 @ 8:49 p.m. Removed Bills)
House Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs
91st General Assembly
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Wednesday, March 22, 2017

10:00 AM

Room 151, State Capitol
Little Rock, Arkansas

Rep. Bob Ballinger, Chair
Rep. Jack Ladyman, Vice-Chair
Rep. Jeff Wardlaw
Rep. Kim Hammer
Rep. Jon S. Eubanks
Rep. Douglas House

Rep. Charlotte V. Douglas
Rep. Jim Dotson
Rep. Josh Miller
Rep. Richard Womack
Rep. Andy Davis
Rep. Warwick Sabin
Rep. Kim Hendren

Rep. Trevor Drown
Rep. Michelle Gray
Rep. Dwight Tosh
Rep. Justin Gonzales
Rep. Kenneth B. Ferguson
Rep. James Sturch
Rep. Brandt Smith

RE-REFERRED

| Number | Sponsor | Subtitle |
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| SJR7 | Rapert | AN APPLICATION TO CONGRESS TO CALL A CONVENTION FOR PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF "MARRIAGE". |
| SJR9 | Rapert | AN APPLICATION TO CONGRESS TO CALL A CONVENTION FOR PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION PROVIDING THAT EVERY HUMAN BEING IS ENTITLED TO THE RIGHT TO LIFE. |

REGULAR AGENDA

| Number | Sponsor | Subtitle |
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| HB1766 | D. Douglas | TO CREATE "THE NONPARTISAN BLANKET PRIMARY ACT"; TO INSTITUTE THE NONPARTISAN BLANKET PRIMARY ELECTION SYSTEM; AND TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS ELECTION CODE. |
| SB38 | A. Clark | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS AND BALLOTS. |
| HB1819 | K. Hendren | CONCERNING BALLOT TITLES AND POPULAR NAMES OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. |
| HB1823 | Collins | TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS PAPERWORK EFFICIENCY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT; TO PERMIT ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT SUBMISSIONS AND PUBLICATIONS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE INSPECTION OF PUBLIC RECORDS. |
| HB1832 | House | TO ALLOW THE EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL BY A STATE OFFICIAL OR ENTITY IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND TO REQUIRE SPECIAL COUNSEL TO OBTAIN APPROVAL BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL BEFORE ENTERING INTO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT. |
| HB1931 | Gillam | CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF BALLOT TITLES AND POPULAR NAMES OF PETITIONS PRIOR TO CIRCULATION. |
| HB1932 | Gillam | CONCERNING THE REVIEW OF RULES PROMULGATED BY THE STATE BOARD OF HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. |
| HB2074 | Leding | TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING INITIATIVES AND REFERENDA. |
| HB2095 | G. Hodges | TO ESTABLISH VOTE CENTERS ON THE CAMPUSES OF STATE-SUPPORTED POSTSECONDARY AND HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTE CENTERS. |
| HB2096 | G. Hodges | TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF PROCUREMENT LAW TO REFLECT THE IMPACT OF INFLATION ON THE COST OF GOODS AND SERVICES AND TO ENCOURAGE MORE PARTICIPATION BY SMALL BUSINESSES. |
| HB2162 | Gonzales | TO PROMOTE VOTER TURNOUT; TO AMEND THE LAW TO LIMIT THE DATES ON WHICH CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTIONS CAN BE HELD; TO AMEND THE LAW THAT RESULTED |

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| HB2196 | Henderson | TO AMEND LANGUAGE CONCERNING THE SPORT OF PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING; AND TO CREATE AN EXEMPTION FOR CHARTABLE EVENTS. |
| HB2200 | M. Hodges | TO MODIFY THE DEFINITION OF "SMALL PROCUREMENTS"; TO INCREASE THE ABILITY OF THE STATE TO CONTRACT WITH CERTIFIED MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES; AND TO ELIMINATE BURDENSOME DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS. |
| HB2259 | Walker | TO REQUIRE THE PASSAGE OF THE CIVICS PORTION OF THE NATURALIZATION TEST USED BY UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES BEFORE A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY VOTE FOR OR AGAINST A BILL OR RESOLUTION. |
| HB2260 | Walker | TO REQUIRE THE PASSAGE OF THE CIVICS PORTION OF THE NATURALIZATION TEST USED BY UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES BEFORE A PERSON MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO SERVE AS A DIRECTOR OR HEAD OF A STATE AGENCY. |
| HB2261 | Walker | TO REQUIRE THE PASSAGE OF THE CIVICS PORTION OF THE NATURALIZATION TEST USED BY UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES BEFORE A PERSON MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO SERVE AS A CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICER OF THIS STATE. |
| HCR1014 | V. Flowers | REQUESTING AND PETITIONING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PROPOSE FOR SUBMISSION TO THE STATES FOR CONTINUED RATIFICATION AN EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT. |
| SB252 | B. King | TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO SUBMIT MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. |
| HB1861 | Ballinger | CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF BALLOT TITLES AND POPULAR NAMES OF PETITIONS PRIOR TO CIRCULATION. |
| HB2201 | Della Rosa | TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS HERITAGE TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CIVIL WAR MUSEUM IN ARKANSAS. |
| HB2064 | Hammer | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FILING DEADLINES FOR ELECTIONS INVOLVING AN INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE. |
| SB449 | Hester | TO CLARIFY THE RESOLUTION OF PROTESTED SOLICITATIONS AND AWARDS UNDER THE ARKANSAS PROCUREMENT LAW. |
| HB1992 | Lundstrum | CONCERNING COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT FOR HOUSING STATE INMATES. |
| HB2128 | Lowery | TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF STATE AGENCY RULES. |
| HB1881 | Dotson | CONCERNING A REQUIRED REPORT OF STATE AGENCY RULES; AND CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT. |
| HB2008 | Sturch | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RESTRICTIONS ON PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS. |
| HB2018 | M. Gray | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INTERNAL AUDITS OF STATE AGENCIES; AND TO ESTABLISH THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF INDEPENDENCE FOR INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIVITIES WITHIN CERTAIN STATE AGENCIES. |
| HB2132 | Rushing | TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT TASK FORCE IN ORDER TO EVALUATE AND RECOMMEND CHANGES TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967. |
| SB670 | Hester | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS APPRAISER LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION BOARD. |
| HB2137 | V. Flowers | TO CREATE THE VOTER PROTECTION ACT OF 2017; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS AND VOTING. |
| HB2138 | V. Flowers | TO CREATE THE VOTING AND ELECTIONS TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2017; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS AND VOTING. |
| HCR1015 | V. Flowers | REQUESTING AND PETITIONING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS REPEALING THE LANGUAGE OF THE THREE-FIFTHS COMPROMISE. |
| HB1622 | Johnson | TO CREATE A PROCEDURE FOR ADDRESSING BURDENSOME REQUESTS FOR DISCLOSURE; TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO CREATE AN AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| HB1005 | Tucker | TO REQUIRE REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE OF ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS; AND TO RESTRICT THE AMOUNT OF MONEY SPENT ON CAMPAIGN COMMUNICATIONS |

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| SB425 | Rice | AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE STATE BOARD OF FINANCE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| HB1623 | Johnson | TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING INFORMATION FOR PUBLIC GUIDANCE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| HB1004 | Blake | TO CREATE THE DEMOCRACY ACT; TO REQUIRE AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION; AND TO AMEND AMENDMENT 51 OF THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION. |
| HB1739 | C. Douglas | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PRIMARY ELECTIONS, RUNOFF ELECTIONS, AND SPECIAL ELECTIONS. |
| HB1988 | Lundstrum | CONCERNING COUNTY JAIL REIMBURSEMENT FOR HOUSING STATE INMATES. |
| HB1946 | Tucker | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION; AND TO AMEND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT OF 1967. |
| SB377 | Hickey | CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY OF AN INMATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO PARTICIPATE IN A WORK-RELEASE PROGRAM OR UNDER ACT 309 OF 1983. |
| HB1289 | Ballinger | TO PROMOTE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCY AND QUALITY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES; AND TO REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES. |
| SB175 | B. King | TO REQUIRE MEDICAID PROVIDERS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO DISCLOSE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. |
| SB698 | B. King | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC NOTICE OF BALLOT MEASURES; AND TO CREATE THE MANDATORY PUBLICATION REIMBURSEMENT FUND. |
| HB1008 | Tucker | TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR TAKING CAMPAIGN FUNDS AS PERSONAL INCOME; AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS LAW RESULTING FROM INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1990 AND INITIATED ACT 1 OF 1996. |
| HB2183 | Lowery | TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS WHISTLE-BLOWER ACT; AND TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "WHISTLEBLOWER". |
| HB2163 | Maddox | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, AND OTHER SIMILAR ENTITIES; AND TO ABOLISH CERTAIN BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, OR OTHER SIMILAR ENTITIES. |
| SB644 | D. Wallace | TO TRANSFER THE ARKANSAS STUDENT LOAN AUTHORITY TO THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; TO AMEND THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ARKANSAS DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| SJR2 | G. Stubblefield | APPLYING TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CALL A CONVENTION FOR PROPOSING AMENDMENTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE V OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION. |

DEFERRED BILLS

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| HB1046 | Tucker | TO PERMIT PAID MATERNITY LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES. |
| HJR1001 | Ballinger | APPLYING TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CALL A CONVENTION FOR PROPOSING AMENDMENTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE V OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION. |
| HB1011 | Sabin | TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE CONTRIBUTIONS; AND TO PROHIBIT DIRECT CONTRIBUTIONS BETWEEN POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES. |
| HB1012 | Sabin | TO AMEND PROVISIONS CONCERNING POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES; AND TO PROHIBIT DIRECT CONTRIBUTIONS FROM POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES TO CANDIDATES. |
| HB1179 | Ballinger | TO AMEND PROVISIONS PROVIDING DEATH BENEFITS TO DESIGNATED BENEFICIARIES OR SURVIVORS OF POLICE OFFICERS. |
| HB1009 | Leding | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING APPROVED POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES; AND TO PREVENT A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FROM FORMING MORE THAN ONE (1) APPROVED POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE. |
| HB1447 | M. Gray | TO TRANSFER THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS TO THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING COMPLAINTS OF |

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| HB1151 | Davis | ELECTION LAW VIOLATIONS; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. TO REQUIRE THAT REGISTERED VOTERS BE NOTIFIED BY MAIL OF THE DATES FOR CERTAIN SPECIAL ELECTIONS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SPECIAL ELECTIONS. |
| HB1741 | Vaught | TO ESTABLISH A BLUE ALERT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM; AND CONCERNING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT. |
| HB2231 | Rushing | TO REGULATE THE ADMINISTRATION OF REAL PROPERTY OF THE STATE AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE. |