AGENDA House Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 10:00 AM Room 151, State Capitol Little Rock, Arkansas

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REGULAR AGENDA

| Number | Sponsor | Subtitle |
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| HB1050 | Tosh | TO SEPARATE THE OFFICES OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR IN POINSETT COUNTY. |
| <u>HB1058</u> | Unger | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ETHICS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST FOR PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES; AND TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FROM GIVING ADVANCE NOTICE TO ENTITIES OF REQUIRED INSPECTIONS. |
| <u>HB1059</u> | Unger | TO PROVIDE THE OPTION FOR A FREE LIFETIME HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE TO A COMMERCIAL TRUCK DRIVER WHO IS A RESIDENT AND PROVIDES CERTAIN INFORMATION RELATED TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING. |
| <u>HB1064</u> | D. Whitaker | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ABSENTEE VOTING; AND TO ALLOW PERSONS OVER SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT. |
| HB1069 | S. Meeks | TO OBSERVE STANDARD TIME YEAR ROUND IN ARKANSAS; AND TO ELIMINATE DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME IN ARKANSAS. |
| <u>HB1075</u> | Ray | TO PROHIBIT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM REGULATING THE SALE OR USE OF A LAWN CARE DEVICE OR IMPOSING A TAX OR FEE ON THE USE OF A LAWN CARE DEVICE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES. |
| <u>HB1078</u> | Long | TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING RUNOFF ELECTIONS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR A RUNOFF ELECTION FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. |
| <u>HJR1004</u> | Ladyman | APPLYING TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS FOR AN ARTICLE V CONVENTION OF THE STATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO IMPOSE TERM LIMITS OF MEMBERS FOR THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS. |
| <u>HB1070</u> | John Carr | TO CREATE THE BALLOT DRAW STANDARDIZATION ACT OF 2025. |
| <u>HB1121</u> | Long | TO REPEAL THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS TO STATE INSTITUTIONS. |
| <u>HB1135</u> | Achor | TO ALLOW THE ISSUANCE OF A DIGITIZED IDENTIFICATION CARD; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE FEE FOR ISSUANCE OF A DIGITIZED DRIVER'S LICENSE OR DIGITIZED IDENTIFICATION CARD; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY. |
| <u>HB1138</u> | Torres | TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS TO CERTIFY TO THE OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY FOR A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE, |

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HB1162 Duffield TO ESTABLISH GOOD FRIDAY AS AN OFFICIAL STATE HOLIDAY.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS - TO BE HEARD AT A LATER DATE

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| <u>HJR1001</u> | A. Collins | A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO CREATE THE CITIZENS' REDISTRICTING COMMISSION AND TO REPEAL THE BOARD OF APPORTIONMENT. |
| HJR1002 | A. Collins | AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO REPEAL THE EXCEPTION TO THE PROHIBITION OF SLAVERY AND INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE. |
| HJR1003 | A. Collins | THE ARKANSAS GOVERNMENT DISCLOSURE AMENDMENT. |
| HJR1005 | Long | N AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION TO CREATE THE "ARKANSAS TAXPAYER BILL OF RIGHTS". |
| HJR1006 | B. McKenzie | AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION PROVIDING THAT A GOVERNMENTAL BODY SHALL NOT USE STATE OR LOCAL FUNDS TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH A LOBBYIST FOR LOBBYING PURPOSES. |

DEFERRED BILLS

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| <u>HB1024</u> | A. Collins | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PUBLIC EMPLOYEES; AND TO REPEAL THE LAW PROHIBITING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING. |
| <u>HB1028</u> | A. Collins | TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE LAW CONCERNING OBSCENITY AND THE PROCESS FOR CHALLENGING MATERIALS INCLUDED IN A LIBRARY; AND TO REQUIRE A LIBRARY TO HAVE A POLICY PROHIBITING BOOK BANNING IN ORDER TO RECEIVE STATE FUNDING. |
| <u>HB1035</u> | A. Collins | TO CREATE THE ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION ACT OF 2025; TO ALLOW ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION; TO AMEND ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51; AND TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. |
| <u>HB1036</u> | A. Collins | TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING VOTER REGISTRATION; TO ALLOW VOTER REGISTRATION DURING EARLY VOTING AND ON ELECTION DAY; AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51. |
| <u>HB1037</u> | A. Collins | TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING PERSONS WHO MAY REGISTER TO VOTE; AND AMENDING PROVISIONS OF ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51, UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION, AMENDMENT 51, § 19. |
| <u>HB1038</u> | A. Collins | TO CREATE THE NO-EXCUSE ABSENTEE VOTING ACT OF 2025; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING ABSENTEE VOTING; AND TO REPEAL VOTER QUALIFICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE VOTING. |
| <u>HB1039</u> | A. Collins | TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING ABSENTEE BALLOTS; AND TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING ELECTIONS. |
| <u>HB1040</u> | A. Collins | TO CREATE THE WATER IN LINE ACT OF 2025; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING PENALTIES FOR MISDEMEANOR OFFENSES RELATED TO VOTING. |
| <u>HB1041</u> | A. Collins | TO PROHIBIT DECEPTIVE AND FRAUDULENT DEEPFAKES IN ELECTION COMMUNICATIONS. |
| <u>HB1042</u> | A. Collins | TO CREATE THE DIRECT DEMOCRACY ACT OF 2025; TO REPEAL THE ENSURING ACCESS FOR ALL ARKANSANS AND VOTER PROTECTION ACT OF 2023; AND TO AMEND THE PROCEDURE FOR THE FILING OF A BALLOT |

INITIATIVE PETITION AND REFERENDUM PETITION.

HB1043 A. Collins

TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE AND REPORTING OF NONCANDIDATE EXPENDITURES PERTAINING TO APPELLATE JUDICIAL ELECTIONS; AND TO ADOPT NEW LAWS CONCERNING APPELLATE JUDICIAL CAMPAIGNS.