STATE OF ARKANSAS
House of Representatives

Newsletter From Rep. Jack Fortner

District 4

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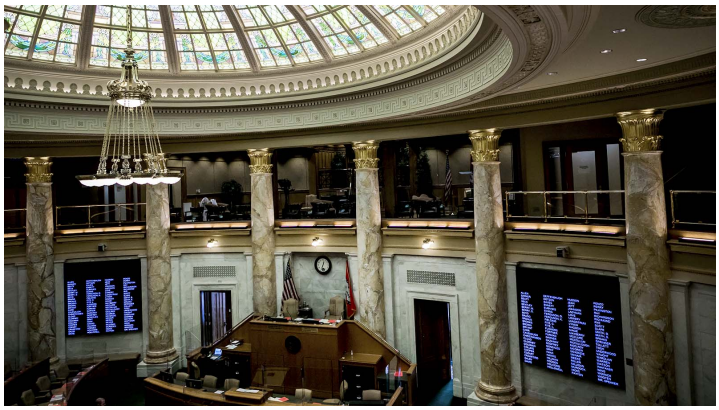
Daily Summary for March 9, 2021



More than 300 bills have been signed into law so far during the 2021 Regular Session.

The House passed more than 20 bills today including the following:

HB1429-This bill reduces the waiting period from after a parent or guardian withdraws his or her child from a school district to enroll to begin home-school. The waiting period is currently 14 days. This bill reduces it to 5 school days.

HB1512-This bill eliminates no-good-cause exemptions to the work requirement for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Programs. The bill does provide exemptions for an individual currently in foster care or residing in a domestic violence shelter.

HB1465-This bill states that a licensing entity shall consider the good moral character of an individual before issuing a license to the individual. It defines “good moral character” as a personal history of honesty, trustworthiness, fairness, a good reputation for fair dealings, and respect for the rights of others and for state and federal laws.

HB1522-This bill states that no person applying to be placed on a ballot for any public office shall knowingly provide false information with reference to his or her qualifications. It creates a misdemeanor offense for providing false statements by a candidate.

HB1323-This bill allows for the prosecution to display an in-life photograph of a homicide victim to the judge or jury.

HB1198-This bill allows a certified registered nurse anesthetist to operate in consultation with, but not necessarily in the presence of, a licensed physician.

SB155-This bill creates “Lila’s Law” which prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities regarding access to organ transplantation.

The House will convene on Wednesday at 1 pm.