STATE OF ARKANSAS
House of Representatives

Arkansas House Newsletter

April 20, 2021

Daily Summary for April 20, 2021

With a vote of 78-15 and 3 members voting present, the House passed SB55. This bill is the appropriation for Medicaid and the Medicaid expansion program now known as ARHOME.

The House also passed the following bills on Tuesday:

HB1912-This bill would reduce the sales tax from 6.5% to 3.5% on used cars priced from $4,000-$10,000.

SB498-This bill states that following a written complaint concerning any election law violation or irregularity to the county board of election commissioners, the written complaint shall be sent by the county board of election commissioners to the State Board of Election Commissioners for evaluation. Currently, the complaints are directed to the county clerk or prosecuting attorney.

SB557-This bill gives county election boards the power to supervise all election officials.

SB576-This bill states that each school district and open-enrollment public charter school shall have a policy detailing how a record of pupil attendance shall be kept for public school students who attend school via

virtual or remote learning programs.

SB543-This bill extends tax credits for waste reduction, reuse, or recycling equipment by steel manufacturers.

SB553-This bill states that a historical monument shall not be relocated, vandalized, damaged, destroyed, removed, altered, renamed, rededicated, or otherwise disturbed. It defines a historical monument as a statue, memorial, gravestone plate, plaque, or historic flag display that is located on public property and was installed or dedicated in honor of a historical person, historical event, public service organization, firefighter, police officer, military organization, or military unit.

SB590-This bill states that a state agency, a political subdivision of the state, or a state or local official shall not mandate an individual in this state to use a face mask, face shield, or other face covering. It also states that the General Assembly reserves the right to enact legislation regarding the mandatory use of face masks, face shields, or other face coverings.

SB355-This bill states that if a lottery winner wins more than $500,000, he or she may keep their identity confidential.

The House will convene on Wednesday at 1 pm.