

NEWSLETTER FROM REP. Kenneth B.

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DISTRICT 64

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DAILY SUMMARY FOR MARCH 10, 2021

Thursday will mark the 60th day of the 2021 Regular Session.

The House passed 18 bills on Wednesday, including the following:

HB1517-This bill states that the Secretary of State shall prepare and administer electronic voter registration application forms. Electronic voter registration application forms may serve for purposes of initial applications to register and may serve for changes of name, address, or party affiliation.

HB1349-This bill creates the Every Arkansan Retirement Plan Opportunity Act. It outlines a plan for employers without a current retirement plan offered to their employees. It is a voluntary plan that features payroll deduction. It will be run by the Arkansas State Treasurer's office.

HB1516-This bill allows a law enforcement officer to transport a person in crisis to a sobering center instead of jail.

HB1570-This bill prohibits healthcare professionals from providing gender transition procedures to any individual under 18 years of age.

HB1510-This bill requires a school district board of directors and local law enforcement agencies to adopt a memorandum of understanding governing school resource officers. It also requires school resource officers

to complete specialized training.

The House will convene on Thursday at 1 pm.