



# NEWSLETTER FROM REP. Matthew J. Shepherd

## DISTRICT 97

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## DAILY SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY 18, 2019

We are now entering the 6th week of the session.

On Monday, the House passed HB1403. This bill allows for an additional sentence of 1 to 10 years in prison if certain offenses are committed in the presence of a child. The offenses include murder, aggravated robbery, felony assault or battery, and rape.

The House passed HB1301 which creates temporary and provisional occupational licenses (90 days) to individuals with a similar active occupational license in another state.

In a vote of 91-0, the House passed HB1426. This bill prohibits the spouse of a county election commissioner, a county party chairman, or the spouse of a county party chairman from working as a poll worker for elections.

The House also passed HB1446. This legislation updates the Colorectal Cancer Prevention, Early Detection, and Treatment Act. In 2015, colorectal cancer was the second leading cause of cancer death in Arkansas.

The House will convene on Tuesday at 1:30 pm