

**REPORT OF THE
HOSPITAL AND MEDICAID STUDY SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE
ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

September 26, 2025

Senator Gilmore and Representative Eaves, Co-Chairs:

The Hospital and Medicaid Study Subcommittee met Monday, August 18, at 1:00 p.m. in Committee Room A, Multi Agency Complex, Little Rock, Arkansas, to hear testimony on state-specific workforce reform initiatives.

On Friday, September 19, 2025, the Subcommittee visited the Arkansas State Police Headquarters for a joint meeting with the Senate- Children & Youth Committee and House- Aging, Children & Youth, & Legislative Affairs Committee, focusing on Child Abuse Hotline procedures.

Additionally, the Subcommittee met on Monday, September 22, 2025, to hear testimony regarding the following items:

- Restore Hope Arkansas
- Arkansas Family Alliance and CarePortal
- Baby and Me Program
- Update of Reimbursement Rates Under the Living Choices Assisted Living Waiver

The Subcommittee approved a motion to engage the Georgia Center for Opportunities for audit services in relation to the study mandated by Act 145 of 2025, addressing workforce and social services reform.

On Thursday, September 25, 2025, the Subcommittee met again to discuss an overview of Utah Workforce Services Programs.

Respectfully submitted, Senator Jane English and Representative Mary Bentley