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Issues and Programs for Fourth Quarter

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Issue: LEARNS Act Helping Children in Private Schools

Almost 4,800 Arkansas students are enrolled in school this year with the help of Arkansas' new school choice program. This is the first year families can sign up for an Education Freedom Account under the new LEARNS Act. The state plans to spend 32.5 million dollars on the program.

Program was 1 minute in length and aired on October 9th, 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: Arkansas Taking on Chinese Companies

Arkansas is making history as the country's first state to force a Chinese company to divest its land holdings thanks to legislation passed earlier this year. In a Tuesday morning news conference, Gov. Sarah Huckabee Sanders said the state would require the China National Chemical Company to divest its land holdings for the Northrop King Seed Company located in Craighead County.

Program was 2 minutes in length and aired on October 17th, 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: Missouri AG Urges Tyson Food to Sell Plants

Missouri Attorney General Andrew Bailey wants Tyson Foods to sell two plants that are at risk of closing their doors in southern Missouri. AG Bailey directed a letter to Tyson Foods CEO Donnie King in an effort to prevent the struggling plants in Dexter and Noel from closing.

Program was 1 minute in length and aired on October 20th, 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: Senator Bryan King Releases Comments on LEARNS

State Senator Bryan King this week released information on the LEARNS Act and says the state will continue to accept applications from families who want to fund their children's tuition with Education Freedom Accounts. Senator King says the state will begin accepting applications for next school year as early as February.

Program was 2 minutes in length and aired on October 28th, 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: Tyson Chicken Patties Recalled

Nearly 30,000 pounds of chicken patties produced by Tyson Foods are being recalled due to possible contamination according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The chicken was processed on September 5th, according to the FDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service.

Program was 1 minute in length and aired on November 7th., 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: Chinese Company in AR Pays Fines

The Chinese seed company in Craighead County, Arkansas ordered to divest its Arkansas land holdings has paid the \$280,000 fine levied on it in October. Attorney General Tim Griffin announced Thursday afternoon that Syngenta Seeds LLC paid the penalty. The fine was for missing the reporting deadline for its land holdings.

Program was 2 minutes in length and aired on November 11th., 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: Tyson Foods Shows Losses

Monday Tyson Foods reported a loss of \$450 million in its fiscal fourth quarter. On a per-share basis, the Springdale, Arkansas-based company said it had a loss of \$1.31. Earnings, adjusted for asset impairment costs and non-recurring costs, came to 37 cents per share.

Program was 1 minute in length and aired on November 14th, 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: Senator King Seeks Government Intervention with Cooks Venture

After Tyson Foods pulled contracts earlier this year, many local poultry farmers found themselves facing uncertain times. Now, with the sudden closing of Cooks Venture, even more farmers find themselves between a rock and a hard place. Many poultry farmers contracted by Cooks Venture to raise birds got little notice about the company closing.

Program was 1.5 minutes in length and aired on December 12th, 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: Poll: Parents Support LEARNS

New survey results were released revealing that parents across the Natural State are in support of the new LEARNS Act. According to the poll from Impact Management Group, 61% of families surveyed have a favorable view of Education Freedom Accounts. EFAs are said to use public school tax dollars to provide scholarship money for students to attend private or charter schools if their parents see it as a better fit.

Program was 2 minutes in length and aired on December 14th,, 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: AG Griffin Announces Settlement with Google

According to a release from the AG's office, "A bipartisan group of 53 attorneys general has settled with Google, requiring the company to pay \$700 million and to stop its anticompetitive practices. Of the \$700 million, Google will pay \$630 million in restitution, including a little more than \$4.7 million to Arkansans who were harmed by Google's anticompetitive conduct.

Program was 1 minute in length and aired on December 20th., 2023 at 7am, 12pm, and 5pm News.

Issue: New Arkansas Law Impacts Unemployment Recipients Starting in 2024

A new Arkansas law that will go into effect the first of January could impact job seekers who currently receive unemployment compensation benefits. Under Act 106, an unemployment claimant can be disqualified from getting benefits for any week they fail to respond to an offer of employment or fail to show up to a job interview without good cause

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