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2. HB1918 Real Money (Passed 33 to 0 on 4/14/2025). Updates Arkansas law on specie and legal tender, authorizing the use of bullion depositories and a precious-metals-backed electronic payment system.	YES ★
3. SB478 Diesel-regulation Nullification (Passed 35 to 0 on 4/8/2025). Declares that the federal government has no constitutional authority to regulate diesel engines operating solely within Arkansas.	YES ★
4. SB520 Local-government DEI Ban (Passed 22 to 7 on 4/8/2025). Prohibits "diversity, equity, and inclusion" (DEI) offices, officers, policies, and practices within Arkansas local governments, including counties, cities, and towns.	NONE ?
5. HB1444 Corporate Welfare: Data Centers (Passed 24 to 4 on 3/31/2025). Updates the state's sales-and-use tax exemption for data centers.	NONE ?
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