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NBCSL Salutes the Election of Representative Darrin L. Williams to Serve as Speaker-designate of the Arkansas 88th General Assembly

On behalf of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators, I wish to congratulate Representative Darrin L. Williams on his election to serve as Speaker-designate of the Arkansas 88th General Assembly, the first African American in Arkansas history to achieve this milestone.

When it convenes in January 2013, the 89th General Assembly will vote to confirm the Speaker-designate as Speaker of the House.

Rep. Williams has worked diligently to get to this point in his political career. Now, a partner at Carney Williams, PLLC, Rep. Williams specializes in securities fraud. He previously worked for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, U.S. Senate Sergeant at Arms, and U.S. Senator David Pryor. He later became Arkansas's Chief Deputy Attorney General. Rep. Williams is serving his second term in the Arkansas House of Representatives. He currently serves as chair of the House Judiciary Committee, on the House Rules Committee, the Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, and the Committee on Legislative and Military Affairs.

Again, the National Black Caucus of State Legislators is honored to recognize Representative Williams. This historical landmark is a testament to his exemplary leadership and service to the people of Arkansas.

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