

1 **State of Arkansas**

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H.C.R. 1008

4 **By: Representatives Flanagin, Calhoun, and Rorie**

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

7 REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ESTABLISH REASONABLE

8 RESTRICTIONS ON APPLICATIONS FOR PARDONS FOR EXECUTIVE

9 CLEMENCY.

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11 WHEREAS, Article 6, §18 of the Arkansas Constitution gives the Governor
12 the power to pardon and the power of executive clemency; and

13 WHEREAS, in the past some persons have applied for a pardon or
14 executive clemency shortly after conviction and others have repeatedly applied
15 for a pardon or executive clemency; and

16 WHEREAS, allowing a person to apply for a pardon or executive clemency
17 without any restriction causes an unfair burden on the families of victims who
18 wish to oppose any application for a pardon or executive clemency; and

19 WHEREAS, reasonable restrictions should be placed on applications for
20 pardon or executive clemency so the number of frivolous applications will be
21 reduced,

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23 NOW THEREFORE,

24 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH GENERAL

25 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

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27 That the members of the Arkansas General Assembly request the Governor,
28 by executive proclamation, to establish reasonable restrictions on how
29 frequently a person may apply for a pardon or for executive clemency and on
30 how soon after conviction a person may make an application.

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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the concurrence of the Senate in this
33 Resolution, a copy hereof shall be transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House
34 of Representatives to the Governor.

