

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Representatives Hunton and Wyrick**

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7 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

8 REQUESTING THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A
9 COMMITTEE TO STUDY LEARNING AND BEHAVIOR NEEDS OF CHILDREN
10 BORN TO DRUG-DEPENDENT MOTHERS.

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12 WHEREAS, the number of children born to mothers who were substance
13 abusers has increased dramatically; and

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15 WHEREAS, such children are at serious risk of experiencing learning
16 difficulties in school; and

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18 WHEREAS, it is imperative that these children be identified at an early
19 age; and

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21 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of these children to be educated to
22 the maximum extent practicable within the regular educational environment with
23 the use of supplementary aids and with the implementation of appropriate
24 modifications and adaptations made to the regular classroom,

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26 NOW THEREFORE,

27 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH GENERAL
28 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

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30 THAT the State Board of Education, General Education Division, establish
31 a committee composed of appropriate representatives from the public schools,
32 Children's Hospital, the Department of Health, the Department of Human
33 Services, the legislature, the Drug Coordinating Council and the Department of
34 Education to perform an exhaustive review of existing research and programs
35 relative to the issues of identification, treatment and education of such

1 children. The committee shall develop recommendations, including but not
2 limited to, written materials for dissemination to public schools regarding
3 identification and suggested teaching strategies to be employed in the regular
4 classroom to accommodate for the diverse learning and behavioral needs of
5 these children.

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