

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Representative Fairchild**

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7 **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

8 FOR A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CHANGING THE MOTTO
9 ON THE SEAL OF STATE TO "THE SEAL OF THE GREAT STATE OF
10 ARKANSAS".

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12 WHEREAS, there are variations of mottos on the rim of state seals among
13 the United States of America; and

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15 WHEREAS, there are fourteen (14) states that have the motto "THE GREAT
16 SEAL OF THE STATE OF....." imprinted on the rim of the seal which represents
17 the largest grouping in this category; and

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19 WHEREAS, the State of Arkansas is among the second largest grouping of
20 eleven (11) states using the rim motto "GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF....."; and

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22 WHEREAS, there is no uniformity of mottos on the rim of state seals; and

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24 WHEREAS, the present motto on the rim of the seal of the State of
25 Arkansas is not as distinctive and descriptive as it could be and the same
26 wording is used by ten (10) other states; and

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28 WHEREAS, by changing the motto on the rim of the state seal to read "THE
29 SEAL OF THE GREAT STATE OF ARKANSAS" it would be more befitting our Great
30 State of Arkansas.

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32 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH GENERAL
33 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS
34 ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

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1 That the following is hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution
2 of the State of Arkansas, and upon being submitted to the electors of the
3 state for approval or rejection at the next general election for
4 Representatives and Senators, if a majority of the electors voting thereon at
5 such election, adopt such amendment, the same shall become a part of the
6 Constitution of the State of Arkansas, to wit:

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8 "SECTION 1. A seal of the State shall be kept by the Governor, used by
9 him officially, and called 'THE SEAL OF THE GREAT STATE OF ARKANSAS'.

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11 SECTION 2. Arkansas Constitution Article 6, Section 9 and all other
12 provisions of the Constitution or laws in conflict herewith are repealed.

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14 SECTION 3. This amendment shall become effective on January 1, 1993."

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