

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **78th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1991**  
4 **By: Joint Budget Committee**

**H.J.R.**

5  
6  
7 **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION**

8 URGING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO EFFECT  
9 LEGISLATIVE AND/OR REGULATORY ALTERNATIVES WHICH WILL  
10 PROVIDE ADEQUATE ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS FOR EMPLOYMENT AND  
11 UNEMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS IN ARKANSAS.

12  
13  
14 WHEREAS, federal funds appropriated for administration of the Employment  
15 Security System nationwide have become increasingly insufficient; and

16  
17 WHEREAS, adequate funds are available for appropriation from payroll  
18 taxes collected by the IRS pursuant to the Federal Unemployment Tax Act  
19 (FUTA), having a total balance of \$2.24 billion in the Employment Security  
20 Administration Account (ESAA) at the end of FY 1990; and

21  
22 WHEREAS, these funds, now idle, are dedicated to administration of the  
23 Employment Security System; and

24  
25 WHEREAS, these dedicated and available resources are a part of the  
26 federal unified budget and are being withheld in order to mask the true size  
27 of the federal deficit; and

28  
29 WHEREAS, the Arkansas Employment Security Division serves local  
30 populations, and the failure to appropriate adequate administrative funds  
31 significantly reduces its ability to provide services to which unemployed  
32 workers are entitled;

33  
34 NOT THEREFORE,

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

1 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF ALL MEMBERS  
2 ELECTED TO EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

3

4 That the Congress of the United States is urged to appropriate adequate  
5 resources to finance properly Employment Security programs and services the  
6 states are mandated to administer; remove the Federal Unemployment Trust Fund  
7 from calculation of the federal budget deficit; and, amend federal law to  
8 exempt Unemployment Trust Funds from sequestration.

9

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Clerk of the House of  
11 Representatives shall forward a copy of this resolution to the President of  
12 the United States, the Secretary of Labor, the Chairman of the House Ways and  
13 Means Committee; the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee; the Chairman of  
14 the House Budget Committee; the Chairman of the Senate Budget Committee and to  
15 each member of the Arkansas Congressional Delegation.

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

29

30

31

32

33

34

35

