

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

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 REQUESTING DENTISTS AND PHYSICIANS TO SCHEDULE TREATMENT
9 ON PUBLIC SCHOOL CHILDREN IN SUCH A MANNER THAT THE
10 STUDENTS ARE NOT ABSENT FROM THE SAME CLASS EACH TIME THEY
11 ATTEND MEDICAL OR DENTAL APPOINTMENTS.

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13 WHEREAS, the several public school districts in this state presently
14 have no uniform method of determining whether to allow excused absences for
15 students seeking dental assistance and other medical assistance during school
16 hours; and

17 WHEREAS, pursuant to the request of the Education Committee of the House
18 of Representatives, the Arkansas State Dental Association, the Arkansas
19 Medical Society, and the Arkansas School Board Association and Arkansas
20 Association of Educational Administrators have agreed to work together and
21 encourage their members to work together to devise an acceptable mechanism for
22 allowing public school students to seek dental and medical assistance during
23 school hours;

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25 NOW THEREFORE,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH GENERAL
27 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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29 That all members of the Arkansas State Dental Association and the
30 Arkansas Medical Society are hereby requested to schedule treatment for public
31 school children in such a manner that the students are not absent from the
32 same class each time they attend medical and dental appointments.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the membership of the Arkansas State Dental
34 Association and the Arkansas Medical Society is requested to work with local
35 school administrators in order to assure that students are not penalized for

1 seeking medical or dental care during school hours.

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