

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

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7 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

8 REQUESTING THE FORMATION OF A FIFTEEN (15) MEMBER TASK  
9 FORCE TO PROMULGATE A CIVIL RIGHTS BILL FOR CONSIDERATION  
10 BY THE ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY DURING ITS NEXT  
11 LEGISLATIVE SESSION.  
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13 WHEREAS, both houses of the Arkansas General Assembly have considered  
14 and passed civil rights legislation concerning the equal treatment of all  
15 people in the workplace, public facilities, housing, credit transactions and  
16 voting rights during this 78th Session of the Arkansas General Assembly but,  
17 due to the impending end of the regular session, all hope is waning in  
18 resolving the differences between the two proposed bills before adjournment of  
19 the General Assembly; and  
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21 WHEREAS, the passage of such legislation in each house of the Arkansas  
22 General Assembly is a clear indication of the strong commitment of the members  
23 of the legislature on the issue of civil rights and a recognition of the dire  
24 need for state legislation on this issue; and  
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26 WHEREAS, the United States Congress currently has under consideration  
27 civil rights legislation which, upon enactment, should be analyzed to  
28 determine what impact federal legislation would have on potential state civil  
29 rights laws; and  
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31 WHEREAS, the appointment of a fifteen (15) member task force comprised  
32 of five (5) members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore,  
33 five (5) members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of  
34 the House, and five (5) members appointed by the Governor, all knowledgeable  
35 in the area of civil rights and representative of the diverse points of view

1 on the subject could best assist the Arkansas General Assembly during the  
2 interim through the comprehensive study and development of a civil rights bill  
3 for consideration during the 79th Session of the General Assembly, or during  
4 any special session called by the Governor prior to that time;

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6 NOW THEREFORE,

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

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10 THAT as soon as practicable following adjournment of the 78th Session of  
11 the Arkansas General Assembly, a Civil Rights Task Force comprised of the  
12 membership noted above should be appointed to study and develop civil rights  
13 legislation for consideration by the Arkansas General Assembly during the 79th  
14 Session or during any special session occurring prior to January 1993.

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