

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

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7 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

8 REQUESTING CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS TO BE HELD ON COPYRIGHT
9 LAWS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING RELIEF TO SMALL AND
10 NONPROFIT PERFORMERS OF BLUEGRASS AND FOLK MUSIC.

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12 WHEREAS, Arkansas has been fortunate to have a strong tradition of
13 bluegrass and folk music; and

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15 WHEREAS, many performers have helped preserve these forms of music
16 receive little or no compensation for performances and have as their primary
17 benefit the enjoyment of the music; and

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19 WHEREAS, the stringent enforcement of copyright laws and harsh
20 collection policies of licensing organizations pose a serious threat to
21 bluegrass and folk festivals and to the ability of small or nonprofit
22 performers to continue their art,

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25 NOW THEREFORE,

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

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29 That the members of the Arkansas General Assembly request the Arkansas
30 Congressional Delegation to assist Arkansas' small or nonprofit bluegrass and
31 folk performers and ask that the members of the Arkansas Congressional
32 Delegation request Congressional hearings for the purpose of seeking
33 modifications to the copyright laws which would provide assistance to such
34 performers.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon concurrence of the House of
2 Representatives in this resolution a copy hereof be transmitted by the
3 Secretary of the Senate to: The Honorable Dale Bumpers, U.S. Senator; The
4 Honorable David Pryor, U.S. Senator; The Honorable Bill Alexander, U.S.
5 Representative; The Honorable Beryl Anthony, U.S. Representative; The
6 Honorable John Paul Hammerschmidt, U.S. Representative; and The Honorable Ray
7 Thornton, U.S. Representative.

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