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8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

9 REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND
10 ADMINISTRATION TO RECORD THE NUMBER OF TRUCKS AND
11 TRAILERS THAT RETURN THEIR REGISTRATION TO
12 ARKANSAS FROM OTHER STATES AND TO REPORT THOSE
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16 **Subtitle**

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25 WHEREAS, over several years, many Arkansas-based trucking firms have
26 gradually moved the registration of their trucks and trailers to other states
27 where they did business that did not penalize the truckers by charging sales
28 taxes on vehicles engaged in interstate commerce; and

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30 WHEREAS, at the beginning of the year 2003, there were substantial
31 numbers of Arkansas trucking firms that had registered their trucks and
32 trailers in the state of Oklahoma and many of those Oklahoma registration
33 fees will expire on March 31 for those Arkansas trucking firms and they will
34 not be able to renew them without the loss of jobs in Arkansas; and

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36 WHEREAS, the Arkansas General Assembly has responded to the needs of



1 those Arkansas-based trucking firms that desire to return to Arkansas to
2 base-plate their truck and trailer fleets by introducing legislation and
3 passing Act 551 of 2003 to relieve those trucking firms from most of the
4 burden of paying sales taxes on motor vehicles and trailers engaged in
5 interstate commerce; and

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7 WHEREAS, in the future, it is expected that many trucking firms that
8 have base-plated trucks and trailers in other states will return to Arkansas
9 and to register those truck and trailer fleets in Arkansas,

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11 NOW THEREFORE,

12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-FOURTH GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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15 That the Department of Finance and Administration is requested to keep
16 a continuous accounting of the numbers of trucks and trailers that are
17 returning their vehicle registration to Arkansas from other states, and the
18 Department is asked to report those figures to the House of Representative's
19 Interim Committee on Public Transportation beginning at the first meeting of
20 the committee after January 2004, and periodically after that time, until
21 January 2005.