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1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2021-096

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3 REQUESTING THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO REQUEST THE HOUSE
4 COMMITTEE ON STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS EXAMINE THE
5 EFFECTIVENESS AND COST SAVINGS OF USING WORK-FROM-ANYWHERE
6 STRATEGIES FOR STATE EMPLOYEES.

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8 WHEREAS, the state utilized work-from-home or remote-work options
9 during the pandemic; and

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11 WHEREAS, each state entity has developed a separate policy regarding
12 the use of remote work to perform state functions; and

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14 WHEREAS, the General Assembly is responsible for studying the
15 feasibility, practicability, effectiveness, and cost savings realized through
16 various remote-work arrangements,

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18 NOW THEREFORE,

19 BE IT PROPOSED BY THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE NINETY-THIRD
20 GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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22 THAT the House Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs
23 invite the Senate Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs to
24 study without limitation the following:

25 (1) The best policies and practices for allowing employees of
26 the state to work from home or to otherwise work remotely;

27 (2) The feasibility and practicability of various remote-work
28 arrangements for employees engaged in all types of work and in all regions
29 throughout the state;

30 (3) The efficiency and effectiveness of the performance of state
31 employees utilizing remote-work arrangements;

32 (4) The potential cost savings realized through utilizing
33 remote-work options for state employees;

34 (5) The interest in state entities to use remote-work
35 arrangements; and

1 (6) The benefits, if any, to allowing state employees to
2 participate in remote-work arrangements.

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4 Respectfully submitted,

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