

1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2017-088

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3 REQUESTING THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REFER TO THE HOUSE  
4 COMMITTEE ON STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS A REQUEST TO STUDY  
5 THE OPPORTUNITIES, BENEFITS, AND CHALLENGES OF INITIATING OR EXPANDING  
6 THE USE OF INTERNET IN CERTAIN PUBLIC ENTITIES.

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8 WHEREAS, state agencies, county offices, and municipal offices would  
9 benefit from a formal study of the opportunities, cost savings, and  
10 challenges of initiating or expanding the use of the existing internet for  
11 digital publications throughout the state agencies, county offices, or  
12 municipal offices; and

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14 WHEREAS, the study of the opportunities, cost savings, and challenges  
15 of initiating or expanding the use of the existing internet throughout the  
16 state agencies, county offices, or municipal offices should focus on the  
17 public and proprietary access to documents, records, and archives, including  
18 without limitation the publication of agendas and proposed ordinances, rule  
19 changes, and public hearings maintained or possessed by the relevant entity;  
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22 WHEREAS, the study of the opportunities, benefits, and challenges of  
23 initiating or expanding the use of the existing internet throughout the state  
24 agencies, county offices, or municipal offices should also focus on the speed  
25 and accuracy of communication within and outside of the relevant entity in  
26 order to provide citizens of this state a more efficient and responsive  
27 government; and

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29 WHEREAS, the study of the opportunities, benefits, and challenges of  
30 initiating or expanding the use of the existing internet throughout the state  
31 agencies, county offices, or municipal offices should consider opportunities  
32 for software sharing, social media, digital publications, and live streaming  
33 options in order to enable citizens of this state to be more engaged in their  
34 local and state government,

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36 NOW THEREFORE,

1 BE IT PROPOSED BY THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE NINETY-FIRST  
2 GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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5 THAT the Arkansas Legislative Council refer to the House Committee on  
6 State Agencies and Governmental Affairs a request to study the opportunities,  
7 benefits, and challenges of initiating or expanding the use of the existing  
8 internet throughout state agencies, county offices, or municipal offices in  
9 the state.

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11 Respectfully submitted,

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