1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2013-190 2 REQUESTING THAT THE INTERIM HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGING, CHILDREN 3 AND YOUTH, LEGISLATIVE & MILITARY AFFAIRS STUDY AN INCOME TAX 4 EXEMPTION FROM STATE INCOME TAX AFFECTING THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS 5 6 MADE BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO A VETERAN OR MEMBER OF THE 7 UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES. 8 9 WHEREAS, the state's veterans have proudly served our country and 10 earned the retirement benefits provided by the federal government and the State of Arkansas; and 11 12 13 WHEREAS, a study of an income tax exemption affecting the retirement benefits of veterans and members of the United States Armed Forces is 14 15 necessary, 16 17 NOW THEREFORE, 18 BE IT PROPOSED BY THE INTERIM HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGING, CHILDREN AND YOUTH, 19 LEGISLATIVE & MILITARY AFFAIRS OF THE EIGHTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 20 21 22 THAT the Interim House Committee On Aging, Children And Youth, 23 Legislative & Military Affairs study a state income tax exemption affecting 24 the retirement benefits paid to veterans and members of the United States 25 Armed Forces. 26 27 BE IT FURTHER PROPOSED THAT the study be conducted with the assistance 28 of the Department of Finance and Administration, which shall: (1) Provide to the committee information concerning the income 29 30 taxes affecting the retirement benefits of retired members of the United 31 States Armed Forces in Arkansas and other states' income taxes selected by 32 the committee; 33 (2) Provide to the committee information concerning an exemption 34 from income taxes affecting the retirement benefits of retired members of the United States Armed Forces in Arkansas and other states' income tax 35 36 exemptions selected by the committee;

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                 (3) Provide to the committee information concerning the revenues
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     generated by the retirement benefits of retired members of the United States
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     Armed Forces in Arkansas in Arkansas and the other states that are selected
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     by the committee, where possible; and
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                 (4) Report to the committee all information required by the
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     committee for this study by December 1, 2014.
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           BE IT FURTHER PROPOSED THAT, upon request, other state agencies provide
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     information and assistance to the committee and the department in achieving
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     the purposes of this interim study.
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