

1 INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2023-001

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3 REQUESTING THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO REFER TO THE HOUSE
4 COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE, AND LABOR A REQUEST TO
5 CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE USE OF THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM.
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7 WHEREAS, illegal immigration is a tremendous challenge facing both
8 Arkansas and the United States; and
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10 WHEREAS, illegal immigration threatens the economic well-being of
11 Arkansas and the United States and also poses a security risk to both the
12 state and the country; and
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14 WHEREAS, verifying the immigration status of individuals seeking
15 employment in the state is an important step in combating illegal
16 immigration; and
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18 WHEREAS, E-Verify is an online tool that is available to employers for
19 use in determining whether an individual is legally authorized to work in the
20 United States; and
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22 WHEREAS, the General Assembly should study whether the use of the E-
23 Verify system by businesses could act as a disincentive to illegal
24 immigration,
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26 NOW THEREFORE,

27 BE IT PROPOSED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
28 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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30 THAT the Legislative Council refer to the House Committee on Public
31 Health, Welfare, and Labor a request to study the use of the E-Verify system
32 to ensure an individual is legally authorized to work in the United States
33 and whether the E-Verify system could act as a disincentive to illegal
34 immigration.
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36 Respectfully submitted,

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