

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

TO PROVIDE FOR A STUDY OF THE CURRENT LAWS AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING TEACHER CERTIFICATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING ALTERNATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH CERTIFICATION.

WHEREAS, certain provisions of current laws and regulations relating to certification requirements for public school teachers have been in effect for several years; and

WHEREAS, it appears that it might be in the best interest of public education that alternative requirements be established for certification of public school teachers; and

WHEREAS, many such provisions for emergency or other alternative certification requirements should be established only after thorough study by an appropriate joint interim committee of the General Assembly,
NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Joint Interim Committee on Education of the Arkansas General Assembly shall make a study of the current laws and regulations concerning certification of public school teachers for the purpose of determining the desirability of establishing alternative certification requirements and for establishing procedures for emergency certification of teachers, and such other matters relating to teacher certification as the Committee deems appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Department of Education shall cooperate with and assist the Joint Interim Committee in conducting the study and shall furnish to the Committee such available information as the Committee may request concerning teacher certification, including the number of teachers certified in each subject area and projected shortages for teachers in various subject areas in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the Seventy-Seventh General Assembly.