

HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AND
THE STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TO
IMPLEMENT AN "ADOPT A HIGHWAY" PROGRAM FOR LITTER
CONTROL IN ARKANSAS.

WHEREAS, litter control along the right-of-ways of the public highways in
Arkansas costs the State of Arkansas nearly \$694,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, "Adopt a Highway" programs organize civic groups and employee
organizations to work with the Highway Department to voluntarily pick up
trash regularly along a stretch of state highway; and

WHEREAS, in exchange for their service, the Highway Department erects
signs at the entrance to the highway segment denoting which group has adopted
that area for clean-up; and

WHEREAS, such actions focus attention on the litter problem and discourage
motorists by turning the act of littering into a personal affront to a group of
people; and

WHEREAS, with minimum expenditures and administrative efforts, an abun-
dance of state dollars could be saved and put to more productive uses than
picking up other people's trash;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-SIXTH GENERAL
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, MEETING IN ITS REGULAR SESSION:

That the Arkansas State Highway Commission and the State Highway and
Transportation Department are urged to investigate the Adopt a Highway
Programs operated in other states and to implement a similar program for
litter control along state highways in Arkansas.