

HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE MEMBERS OF THE ARKANSAS CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ASSURE THAT THE STATE OF ARKANSAS WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACQUIRE A FAIR SHARE OF THE SURPLUS COMMODITIES, MATERIALS, SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, AND OTHER PROPERTY FROM THE U. S. GOVERNMENT AND ITS VARIOUS AGENCIES IN ORDER THAT THE STATE CAN MAKE SUCH PROPERTY AVAILABLE TO THE VARIOUS COUNTIES, CITIES, SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND OTHER PUBLIC ENTITIES IN THE STATE.

WHEREAS, under federal surplus property laws, the various states are entitled to acquire surplus federal property and to make the same available to the counties, cities, school districts and other public entities in the respective states; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas has participated in the government surplus property program since 1945 and participation in this program has been highly beneficial to various political subdivisions and public entities in the State; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, it appears that the State of Arkansas has not had an opportunity to acquire its fair share of the federal government surplus commodities, materials, supplies, equipment, and other property; and

WHEREAS, if this program is fairly and equitably administered and Arkansas has an opportunity to acquire its fair share of such federal surplus property, it will enable counties, cities and school districts and other public entities in the State to purchase much needed equipment and supplies which such entities could not otherwise afford; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to the continued success of the surplus property program in Arkansas that a fair share of the surplus federal property be made available to the State of Arkansas for distribution under the surplus property program,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

That the House of Representatives hereby respectfully urges and requests

the members of the Arkansas Congressional delegation to take appropriate action to assure that the State of Arkansas will in the future be given an opportunity to acquire its fair share of federal surplus equipment, supplies, materials, commodities and other property through the surplus property program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon adoption of this Resolution, a copy hereof shall be transmitted to each member of the Arkansas Congressional Delegation.