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By: Representative Balton

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING ALL MANUFACTURERS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF CANNED BEVERAGES
TO VOLUNTARILY NO LONGER SELL OR DISTRIBUTE CANNED BEVERAGES
WHICH HAVE PULL TABS THAT WILL SEPARATE FROM THE CONTAINER.

WHEREAS, the litter and solid waste problem in America along our roads and highways and in our home communities seems to increase in magnitude each passing year; and

WHEREAS, the type of opening pull tab which separates from the can makes for one additional piece of litter to complicate the already horrific litter problems of America; and

WHEREAS, the pull tabs from beverage cans are not only litter and trash but can also prove to be a safety hazard to ourselves and our children when thrown onto our beaches and discarded into our lakes and streams; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, many manufacturers of metallic beverage cans have changed the design of their cans to no longer allow the opening pull tabs to separate from the can.

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT all manufacturers and distributors of canned beverages in Arkansas are urged to voluntarily establish a target date whereupon they will no longer sell, use, or distribute any canned beverage which has an opening pull tab that will separate from the container.