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By: Representative Lendall

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROVIDING FOR A STUDY OF THE LAWS ESTABLISHING COURT COSTS  
AND THE AMOUNT AND USE OF THE REVENUES RAISED BY THEM IN  
ORDER TO RECOMMEND ELIMINATION OF SOME OF THESE COSTS.

WHEREAS, the number of laws in Arkansas that levy court costs or allow local governments to levy court costs has increased in recent years to the point that the amount of court costs imposed by the courts of different jurisdictions vary widely; and

WHEREAS, court costs place a burden on those who are in greatest need of access to our judicial system and can least afford it,

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 during the 1989-91 biennium the Joint Interim Committee on Judiciary shall conduct a study of the laws that levy court costs in Arkansas, all the costs imposed by the various courts, the amount of revenue raised by those court costs, the services that those revenues support, make recommendations as to the court costs that could be eliminated, and draft legislation which would eliminate such costs; and that until such time the Senate and House Committees be asked to not recommend any legislation containing additional court costs.