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By: Representatives Capps, Cunningham, Hankins

HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE HOUSE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE NEED FOR AND AVAILABILITY OF ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE FOR MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE AND OF THE POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES TO THE PRESENT SYSTEM WHEREBY EACH MEMBER OF THE HOUSE MAINTAINS A SET OF BILL BOOKS ON HIS OR HER DESK IN THE HOUSE CHAMBER AND WHEREBY SEVERAL SETS OF BILL BOOKS ARE MAINTAINED IN EACH COMMITTEE ROOM FOR USE BY COMMITTEES USING THE RESPECTIVE ROOMS.

WHEREAS, at the present time, private office space is provided only for a very limited number of members of the House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, it is becoming increasingly difficult for House members to effectively perform their official duties without appropriate office space; and

WHEREAS, the present system whereby each member of the House of Representatives maintains a complete set of bill books at his or her desk in the House chamber results in a serious space problem and great inconvenience to the members of the House; and

WHEREAS, under the present system whereby several complete sets of bill books are maintained on the tables in each committee room for use by members of committees using the respective rooms, the committee tables are overly cluttered and there is little working space for the members,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1. The House Management Committee is requested to make a study of:

(a) the need for and feasibility of providing additional private or semi-private office space for use by members of the House of Representatives,

(b) the present practice of each member of the House maintaining a set of bill books at his or her desk in the House chamber and of possible alternatives to this practice,

(c) the present practice of maintaining several sets of bill books in each committee room for use by members of committees using the respective rooms, and possible alternatives to this practice, and

(d) such other matters as would maximize office space for House members, minimize the clutter on member's desks in the House chamber and in committee rooms, and otherwise enable members of the House of Representatives to more effectively and efficiently perform their official duties.

SECTION 2. The committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the Speaker of the House on or before March 1, 1990.