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HOUSE RESOLUTION

8 REQUESTING THE JOINT INTERIM COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH,
9 WELFARE AND LABOR TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF DISCRIMINATION
10 BASED ON TYPE OF LICENSURE IN THE GRANTING OF STAFF
11 PRIVILEGES BY HOSPITALS.

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Subtitle

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15 LICENSURE IN THE GRANTING OF STAFF PRIVILEGES BY
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19 NOW THEREFORE,

20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTIETH GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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23 That the Joint Interim Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor is
24 requested to conduct a study of discrimination based on type of licensure in
25 the granting of staff privileges by hospitals with consideration given to the
26 following language:

27 SECTION 1. (a) When a qualified doctor of podiatry licensed under
28 Arkansas Code 17-95-101, et seq. applies for staff membership or professional
29 clinical privileges, within the scope of their respective licensure, with any
30 hospital licensed under Arkansas Code 20-9-201, et seq., the hospital shall
31 not deny staff membership or professional clinical privileges solely because
32 of the type of licensure held by the applicant; however, the hospital may
33 take into account the applicant's training, experience, demonstrated
34 competence and judgment.

35 (b) Nothing herein shall restrict in any way the authority of the

1 medical staff of the hospital to review for approval or disapproval all
2 applications for appointment and annual reappointment of staff and make
3 recommendations on each to the governing authority, including delineation of
4 privileges to be granted in each case. In making such recommendations and in
5 delineation of privileges each applicant shall be considered on an individual
6 basis pursuant to relevant criteria applied equally to all other disciplines.

7 (c) Once an application is determined to be complete and is verified
8 in accordance with hospital standards, procedures, and bylaws the hospital
9 shall follow appropriate due process as applied to all applications for staff
10 membership and privileges.

11 (d) Nothing in this act shall require a health care facility to offer
12 specific health services or services not otherwise offered.

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14 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

15 That the Joint Interim Committee on Public Health, Welfare and Labor is
16 requested to report its findings, including any legislative recommendations,
17 to the Legislative Council by October 1, 1996.

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