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5 By: Representative Minton
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8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

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10 SCIENCES TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE THE AGE AT
11 WHICH UNBORN BABIES BEGIN TO FEEL PAIN; AND THE AMOUNT
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22 NOW THEREFORE,
23 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SECOND GENERAL
24 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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26 THAT the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences is requested to
27 conduct a study to determine the age at which unborn babies begin to feel
28 pain; and the amount of pain inflicted on unborn babies by each abortion
29 method used in Arkansas. The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
30 should report its findings to the Governor and the Legislative Council not
31 later than January 1, 2000 and provide a copy of the report to each member of
32 the House of Representatives. For the purpose of the study requested by this
33 resolution:

34 (1) "Abortion methods" means medical procedures used to terminate
35 pregnancies including dilation and evacuation, suction curettage, dilation and
36 extraction with labor induction, hysterectomy, saline, and suction aspiration;

1 (2) "Pain" means an unpleasant sensory or emotional experience or
2 both associated with actual or potential tissue damage or described in terms
3 of actual or potential tissue damage, including the location, quality,
4 radiation, frequency and triggering agents of an unpleasant sensory or
5 emotional experience or both associated with actual or potential tissue
6 damage; and

7 (3) "Unborn babies" means fetuses in utero from the time of
8 conception to birth.

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