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8 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

9 "REQUESTING THE SENATE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
10 AND THE HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION TO
11 CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE IMPACT OF AFTER SCHOOL
12 EMPLOYMENT ON THE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE OF ARKANSAS
13 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
14 APPROPRIATE STATUTORY CHANGES. "

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22 OF ARKANSAS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. "

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25 WHEREAS, many students in Arkansas high schools are employed in jobs that
26 require their attendance between the hours of three o'clock p.m. (3:00 p.m.)
27 and ten o'clock p.m. (10:00 p.m.) or later during the school year; and

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29 WHEREAS, research has shown that students who work up to twenty hours per week
30 in after school employment may benefit academically from their experiences in
31 the workplace; and

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33 WHEREAS, research has also pointed out the adverse impact that employment over
34 thirty hours per week during the school year has on a student's grades and
35 attendance; and

1 WHEREAS, legislation has been offered in previous meetings of the Arkansas
2 General Assembly to restrict the hours that high school students may work
3 during the school year; and

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5 WHEREAS, the issues and concerns raised by parents, educators, and employers
6 over the previous attempts to restrict the hours that high school students may
7 work during the school year merit careful consideration and discussion.

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9 NOW THEREFORE,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY, THE HOUSE
11 OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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13 That the Senate Interim Committee on Education and the House Interim Committee
14 on Education are requested to conduct a study on the impact of after school
15 employment on the academic performance of Arkansas high school students and to
16 make recommendations for appropriate statutory changes prior to the convening
17 of the next regular session of the General Assembly.

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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate Interim Committee on Education and the
20 House Interim Committee on Education shall report the results of this study by
21 no later than October 1, 2000.