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## 8 HOUSE RESOLUTION

9 REQUESTING THE HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON AGING,  
10 CHILDREN AND YOUTH, LEGISLATIVE AND MILITARY  
11 AFFAIRS TO CONDUCT A STUDY ASSESSING THE NEED TO  
12 AMEND ARKANSAS LAW TO ENSURE NECESSARY,  
13 ACCESSIBLE AND TIMELY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR  
14 ARKANSAS' CHILDREN.

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25 WHEREAS, children and their well-being are important to the people of  
26 the State of Arkansas; and  
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28 WHEREAS, judges, child welfare advocates, and juvenile justice workers  
29 have expressed concerns that proper mental health services for children are  
30 not available or not accessible as an alternative for children; and  
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32 WHEREAS, the Arkansas Department of Human Services initiated a managed  
33 care system for mental health services which was discontinued prior to  
34 implementation; and  
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36 WHEREAS, mental health services including individual, group, family,

1 crisis, community based or residential services, and including substance  
2 abuse prevention or treatment should be available to Arkansas children; and

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4 WHEREAS, a study should be made to determine if necessary, accessible,  
5 and timely mental health services are available to Arkansas' children; and

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7 WHEREAS, the study should make recommendations for changes in Arkansas  
8 law and programs as necessary to better serve Arkansas' children;

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10 NOW THEREFORE,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-THIRD GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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14 That the House Interim Committee on Aging, Children and Youth,  
15 Legislative and Military Affairs are requested to study the need for  
16 amendment of Arkansas law, and program changes to ensure necessary,  
17 accessible, and timely mental health services for Arkansas' children.