

1 State of Arkansas  
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HR 1047

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5 By: Representative Broadway

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8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

9 REQUESTING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC  
10 TRANSPORTATION STUDY THE 1991 PROGRAM OF HIGHWAY  
11 IMPROVEMENTS BY THE ARKANSAS HIGHWAY AND  
12 TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, ITS PROGRESS, ITS  
13 REMAINING PROJECTS, AND REVIEW THE FUTURE REVENUE  
14 NEEDS FOR NON-INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS AND ROADS IN  
15 ARKANSAS, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE FORM OF  
16 LEGISLATION FOR THE EIGHTY-FOURTH GENERAL  
17 ASSEMBLY IN JANUARY 2003.

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19 **Subtitle**

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21 TRANSPORTATION STUDY THE 1991 PROGRAM OF  
22 HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS BY THE ARKANSAS  
23 HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT,  
24 AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EIGHTY-  
25 FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN JANUARY 2003.

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28 WHEREAS, even though the State Highway Commission is constitutionally  
29 independent, the General Assembly is responsible for levying taxes and raise  
30 revenues to finance programs to improve the roads and highways of Arkansas;  
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33 WHEREAS, in 1999, the Arkansas General Assembly enacted Act 1027 of  
34 1999 and the voters approved the issuance of bonds for a \$575 million program  
35 of highway improvements for Arkansas' Interstate highways; and

1           WHEREAS, in 1991, the Arkansas General Assembly enacted a combination  
2 of gasoline and diesel fuel taxes to finance a road program for the State  
3 Highway Commission to build and make improvements to non-interstate highways  
4 and roads in Arkansas; and

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6           WHEREAS, since nearly ten (10) years have past since the enactment of  
7 1991 road program, it is now timely and appropriate to examine the 1991  
8 program, its progress, its remaining projects, and the future revenue needs  
9 for non-interstate highways and roads in Arkansas,

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

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15           That the House of Representatives requests its Committee on Public  
16 Transportation study the 1991 program of highway improvements by the Arkansas  
17 Highway and Transportation Department, its progress, its remaining projects,  
18 and review the future revenue needs for non-interstate highways and roads in  
19 Arkansas and make its recommendations in the form of legislation for the  
20 Eighty-fourth General Assembly in January, 2003.