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8 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

9 TO DEFINE THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE ARRAY OF
10 COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES FOR AT-RISK, DELINQUENT,
11 AND FAMILIES-IN-NEED-OF-SERVICES YOUTH; AND FOR
12 OTHER PURPOSES.
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15 **Subtitle**

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17 OF COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES FOR AT-RISK,
18 DELINQUENT, AND FAMILIES-IN-NEED-OF-
19 SERVICES YOUTH.
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22 WHEREAS, the State of Arkansas contracts with community-based programs
23 serving at-risk, delinquent, and families-in-need-of-services youth, as
24 quasi-governmental instrumentalities of the state, to provide a service that
25 the state would otherwise provide for this population through state-operated
26 programs and facilities.
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28 WHEREAS, under Arkansas Code §§ 9-28-201 - 9-28-217, the Division of
29 Youth Services is established within the Department of Human Services and
30 required to provide community-based alternative basic services consisting of,
31 but not be limited to, prevention, intervention, casework, treatment,
32 counseling, observation and assessment, case management, and residential
33 services.
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35 WHEREAS, the primary goals for community-based alternative basic
36 services shall be the prevention of youth from entering the juvenile justice



1 system and the provision of professional, community-based, least-cost
2 services to youth.

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4 WHEREAS, the Division of Youth Services can provide other specific
5 programs for alcohol, drug, or sex offenders, special therapeutic treatment
6 services or client-specific services where a consistent population has been
7 defined as in need of multi-discipline services, and expansion of proven,
8 effective, early intervention and prevention program services.

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10 NOW THEREFORE,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
12 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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14 THAT the Division of Youth Services is to acquire these services by
15 agreements with local community-based providers or other agencies or
16 individuals deemed professionally capable and appropriate to deliver such
17 services.