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12	πο	CREATE THE STATE AND FEDERAL RELATIONS	,
14		NT INTERIM COMMITTEE.	
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17	BE IT ENACTED BY THE	GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKAN	VSAS:
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19	SECTION 1. Ark	ansas Code Title 10, Chapter 3, is ame	ended to add an
20	additional subchapter		
21	Subchapte	r 27 — State and Federal Relations JO	INT INTERIM
22	<u>Committee</u>		
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24	<u>10-3-2701. Sta</u>	te and Federal Relations Joint Interin	<i>n</i> Committee.
25	<u>(a)</u> There is c	reated a legislative committee to be k	mown as the "State
26	and Federal Relations	<i>Joint Interim</i> Committee".	
27	<u>(b) The commit</u>	tee shall consist of twenty (20) membe	ers as follows:
28	<u>(1)(A) S</u>	Seven (7) members of the Senate appoint	ted by the
29	<u>President Pro Tempore</u>	e of the Senate.	
30	<u>(B)</u>	No more than five (5) members of the	e Senate appointed
31	<u>to the committee shall</u>	l represent the same political party;	and
32	<u>(2)(A)</u>	Thirteen (13) members of the House of H	<u>Representatives</u>
33	appointed by the Spea	nker of the House of Representatives.	
34	<u>(B)</u>	No more than eight (8) members of th	<u>ne House of</u>
35	<u>Representatives appointed appointed</u>	inted to the committee shall represent	<u>the same political</u>
36	<u>party.</u>		



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1	(c) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the
2	House of Representatives shall each designate one (1) of their respective
3	appointees as a cochair of the committee.
4	(d) If a vacancy occurs in an appointed position, the vacancy shall be
5	filled in the same manner as the original appointment.
6	(e)(1) The committee shall meet upon the call of either or both of the
7	cochairs of the committee.
8	(2) Eleven (11) members of the committee shall constitute a
9	quorum for the purpose of transacting business.
10	(3) A quorum is required for any action of the committee.
11	(f) Members of the committee shall be paid per diem and mileage in the
12	manner authorized by law for attendance at meetings of interim committees of
13	the General Assembly.
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15	10-3-2702. Powers and duties.
16	(a) As used in this section, "state agency" means every department,
17	division, office, board, commission, and institution of this state, including
18	state-supported institutions of higher education.
19	(b)(1) If the passage or implementation of a federal law or regulation
20	results in a fiscal impact for a state agency exceeding one hundred thousand
21	dollars (\$100,000), the state agency shall report the federal law or
22	regulation to the State and Federal Relations Joint Interim Committee within
23	ten (10) days of the passage or implementation of the federal law or
24	regulation.
25	(2) The committee shall:
26	(A) Review federal laws and regulations reported to it
27	under subdivision (b)(1) of this section;
28	(B) Upon a vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the members
29	present, file a letter of grievance with the governmental body or federal
30	agency issuing the federal law or regulation; and
31	(C) Upon a vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the members
32	present, issue a recommendation to the Legislative Council or the General
33	Assembly that a resolution of grievance be adopted and delivered to the
34	governmental body or federal agency issuing the federal law or regulation.
35	(c)(l) A state agency receiving federal funds shall issue a report to
36	the committee no later than November 1 of each even-numbered year concerning:

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1	(A) The uses of the federal funds by the state agency; and
2	(B) Stipulations that are associated with the federal
3	funds received by the state agency.
4	(2)(A) The report shall include a contingency plan for the state
5	agency should the federal funds decrease by ten percent (10%).
6	(B) Upon request of the committee, a state agency shall
7	include in its report additional contingencies should federal funds decrease
8	in amounts specified by the committee.
9	(d) The committee may request that a state agency appear before the
10	committee to discuss federal funds received by the state agency.
11	(e) The committee shall communicate with similar committees
12	established by the legislatures of other states regarding:
13	(1) Federal mandates imposed upon states;
14	(2) Federal funds received by state agencies; and
15	(3) The duties of the committee as compared to the duties of
16	similar legislative committees of other states.
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19	/s/S. Meeks
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