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5 By: Senators K. Ingram, D. Wallace
6 By: Representatives Jett, D. Ferguson

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8 **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

9 TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR THE RATIFICATION OF THE
10 REGIONSMART TRI-STATE COMPACT BETWEEN ARKANSAS,
11 MISSISSIPPI, AND TENNESSEE.

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14 **Subtitle**

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17 ARKANSAS, MISSISSIPPI, AND TENNESSEE.

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20 WHEREAS, the United States Government has made clear that regional
21 cooperation across state lines is a key component of successful grant and
22 funding strategies; and

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24 WHEREAS, the RegionSmart Tri-State Compact between Arkansas,
25 Mississippi, and Tennessee would leverage shared resources and constituencies
26 and would build on the distinct attributes of the Mid-South region; and

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28 WHEREAS, the RegionSmart Tri-State Compact would enhance the economic
29 viability and quality of life of the citizens of Arkansas, Mississippi, and
30 Tennessee in a number of ways, including without limitation collaboration
31 between representatives of each state, access to funding, creation of
32 infrastructure priority lists, and implementation of recommendations to
33 benefit the region; and

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35 WHEREAS, Arkansas and its citizens would benefit greatly from the
36 RegionSmart Tri-State Compact through the participation of representatives



1 from the counties of Crittenden, Craighead, and Mississippi as specifically
2 named parties to the RegionSmart Tri-State Compact,

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4 NOW THEREFORE,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
6 STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

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8 THAT the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, show support
9 for and encourage ratification of and participation in the RegionSmart Tri-
10 State Compact between Arkansas, Mississippi, and Tennessee and encourage the
11 United States Congress to take appropriate measures to consent to this
12 interstate compact.

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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, an appropriate
15 copy be provided by the Secretary of the Senate to the majority leader of the
16 United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of
17 Representatives, and the members of the Arkansas congressional delegation.

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