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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the General Assembly has always prioritized ensuring the safety of children; and

WHEREAS, many students in Arkansas attend private and charter schools; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all students in Arkansas receive the same level of care from teachers; and

WHEREAS, many teachers in private and charter schools are not afforded the opportunity to take professional development courses on bullying in schools and recognizing and addressing student child maltreatment issues; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity to participate in professional development courses is beneficial to all teachers and while the focus of professional



development courses has been on public school educators, it is important for the General Assembly to provide guidance to charter and private school educators,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives strongly encourage private and charter school educators be afforded by their administrations the opportunity to take professional development courses on bullying in schools and recognizing and addressing student child maltreatment issues in order to ensure the safety of children in all schools in Arkansas.