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## SENATE RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH SOUTHERN LEGISLATIVE  
CONFERENCE OF THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS  
SOUTHERN OFFICE.

### Subtitle

TO RECOGNIZE THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH SOUTHERN  
LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE OF THE COUNCIL OF  
STATE GOVERNMENTS SOUTHERN OFFICE.

WHEREAS, The Council of State Governments Southern Office (CSG South) is a nonpartisan, nonprofit member organization that serves the southern legislatures of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, with regionally based leadership and perspective and national-level resources, CSG South provides southern legislators and government staff with a wide variety of programs and services that facilitate regional cooperation and encourage the exchange of information; and

WHEREAS, CSG South is governed by an executive committee made up of legislative leadership, and policy topics are overseen by six standing policy committees that consist of legislators and government staff from the member states; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the organization is to serve as a community of the states, committed to connecting, informing, inspiring, and empowering public servants in all three branches of state government to put the best



ideas and solutions into practice; and

WHEREAS, in pursuit of this mission, CSG South has convened the Southern Legislative Conference (SLC) for the past seventy-six (76) years, beginning with its inception in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and moving into decades of fellowship and cooperation between the fifteen (15) southern states; and

WHEREAS, the Seventy-seventh Southern Legislative Conference will convene in Charleston, South Carolina, from July 8 to 12, 2023; and

WHEREAS, more than one thousand five hundred (1,500) southern legislators, government staff, and their families will gather to discuss policy matters specifically affecting southern states to bridge commonalities and discuss solutions for current policy trends, challenges, and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, CSG South offers a welcome to all southern legislative, executive, and judicial officials to attend,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

THAT the Senate recognize the Seventy-seventh Southern Legislative Conference of the Council of State Governments Southern Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be provided to Council of State Governments Southern Office Director Lindsey Gray by the Chief Secretary of the Senate.