

1 State of Arkansas
2 92nd General Assembly
3 Fiscal Session, 2020

HR 1001

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5 By: Representative Shepherd

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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE FISCAL SESSION OF
9 THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNTIL 12:00 NOON,
10 MAY 22, 2020; TO AUTHORIZE THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
11 OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
12 REPRESENTATIVES, BY JOINT PROCLAMATION, TO RECONVENE
13 OR ADJOURN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ANY TIME BEFORE
14 12:00 NOON, MAY 22, 2020; TO PROVIDE THAT IF THE
15 GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS NOT RECONVENED OR ADJOURNED
16 BEFORE 12:00 NOON, MAY 22, 2020, THE FISCAL SESSION
17 OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS ADJOURNED
18 SINE DIE ON THAT DATE; TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL
19 RECESSES OF EITHER OR BOTH CHAMBERS FOR PERIODS OF
20 FOUR (4) CONSECUTIVE DAYS OR LONGER; AND TO AUTHORIZE
21 THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONVENE AND ADJOURN
22 AS NECESSARY OUTSIDE THE STATE CAPITOL BUILDING.

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25 **Subtitle**

26 TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXTENSION AND SINE DIE
27 ADJOURNMENT OF THE FISCAL SESSION OF THE
28 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO
29 PROVIDE FOR RECESSES OF THE HOUSE OF
30 REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE.

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33 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
34 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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36 (a) THAT the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General Assembly of



1 the State of Arkansas is extended until 12:00 noon, May 22, 2020;

2 (b) THAT the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General Assembly of
3 the State of Arkansas shall enter into recess at a time as may be agreed upon
4 by the House of Representatives and the Senate;

5 (c) THAT under Arkansas Constitution, Article 6, § 15, before
6 adjournment of the General Assembly, the Governor is afforded five (5) days
7 after receipt of a bill to sign a bill or veto a bill; therefore, the House
8 of Representatives and the Senate shall be open on regular business days
9 through 12:00 noon, May 22, 2020 so that the office of the Chief Clerk of the
10 House of Representatives and the office of the Secretary of the Senate may
11 receive communications, vetoes of bills by the Governor, and notification of
12 errors and oversights;

13 (d) THAT the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President
14 Pro Tempore of the Senate may, by joint proclamation:

15 (1) Reconvene the General Assembly at any time before 12:00
16 noon, May 22, 2020; or

17 (2) Adjourn the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General
18 Assembly at any time before 12:00 noon, May 22, 2020, if they determine it is
19 not necessary to reconvene;

20 (e) THAT if the General Assembly is not reconvened or adjourned before
21 12:00 noon, May 22, 2020, the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General
22 Assembly is adjourned sine die on that date;

23 (f) THAT during the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General
24 Assembly, in addition to the recess provided for in subdivision (b) of this
25 section, the:

26 (1) House of Representatives may recess for periods of four (4)
27 consecutive days or longer, by declaration of the Speaker of the House of
28 Representatives; and

29 (2) Senate may recess for periods of four (4) consecutive days
30 or longer, by declaration of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and

31 (g) THAT during the Fiscal Session of the Ninety-Second General
32 Assembly, the House of Representatives, in order to follow recommended
33 guidelines for social distancing and protection of members, staff, and guests
34 during the COVID-19 public health emergency, is authorized to convene and
35 adjourn as necessary outside the State Capitol Building at the Jack Stephens
36 Center on the campus of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, or at such

1 other location as may be determined by the Speaker of the House of
2 Representatives that is within the seat of government.

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