

ENGROSSED HOUSE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 1020

By: Rice

A Concurrent Resolution stating legislative intent encouraging the participation of state residents in the positive promotion of education in the electronic mass media; stating legislative intent with regard to the use of state appropriated funds; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, education is important to the world of both children and adults; and

WHEREAS, almost all children and adults have access to television, videotapes, radio, video games, and other forms of electronic mass media on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, the combination of education and electronic mass media has provided a great assortment of knowledge through the use of the Public Broadcasting System, the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority, the National Public Radio, and network and cable television; and

WHEREAS, electronic mass media is a powerful tool in providing education in the basic sense and education in life decisions, including but not limited to job opportunities, family responsibilities, and medical and legal problem solving; and

WHEREAS, it is important that these various forms of electronic mass media receive input from residents of this state and other states in order to formulate programs which provide more rational, realistic, and positive situations and solutions for general public viewing; and

WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Legislature firmly believes that this input will have a positive effect on the future programming of all forms of the electronic mass media.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 45TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT it is the intent of the Oklahoma Legislature to encourage each resident of this state to write or otherwise contact the chief executive officer of the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority, the chief executive officer of each network and cable television system, the chief executive officer of the primary radio stations of which such resident is a listener, and the chief executive officer of the primary videogame companies used by such resident, with a message encouraging the use or continued use of educational ideas and messages which would have a positive influence on the viewers and listeners in this state and throughout the rest of the United States of America.

THAT it is the intent of the Oklahoma Legislature that no state appropriated funds be used to promote, disseminate, or produce obscene or indecent materials, material which denigrates the objects or beliefs of the adherents of a particular religion or nonreligion, or material which denigrates, debases, or reviles a person, group or class of citizen on the basis of race, creed, sex, handicap, age, or national origin.

THAT copies of this resolution be distributed to the chief executive officer of the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority, the chief executive officer of each local network and cable television station and each local radio station located in municipalities exceeding 350,000 population and to each newspaper of general circulation in this state.

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 17th day of April, 1995.

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Adopted by the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1995.

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