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3 By Senator Marsh
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 01-APR-21

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4 ENROLLED, SJR78,

5 URGING THE GOVERNOR TO IMPLEMENT THE PAPERWORK
6 REDUCTION COMMITTEE CREATED IN ACT 2001-475.

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8 WHEREAS, as expressed by the Legislature in Act
9 2001-475, 2001 Regular Session, now appearing as Section
10 16-16B-11, Code of Alabama 1975, the excessive paperwork
11 required of teachers and other public education employees
12 hinders the prime responsibility of public education: The
13 education of the children of Alabama; and

14 WHEREAS, excessive and time-consuming reporting
15 requirements levied on school systems requires automation in
16 order for timely reporting to occur; the excessive paperwork
17 required of teachers has become more burdensome since the
18 initial creation of the committee, and that teachers continue
19 to not have adequate time to prepare lesson plans or to devote
20 individual attention to those students who require special
21 assistance; and

22 WHEREAS, the Legislature created the Paperwork
23 Reduction Committee in Act 2001-475, to study the paperwork
24 required of public school employees and prepare a report to
25 the State Superintendent of Education and the Legislature on

1 how to reduce and automate that paperwork for the benefit of
2 education; to date this committee has not been implemented,
3 and the intent of the Legislature has not been accomplished;
4 now therefore,

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
6 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the Governor and the Alabama
7 Education Association are strongly urged to appoint members to
8 the Paperwork Reduction Committee and the Governor is further
9 urged to implement and administer all required duties and
10 responsibilities included in Act 2001-475, including a report
11 to the State Superintendent of Education and the Legislature
12 on how to effectively reduce and automate teacher paperwork
13 for the benefit of education.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
15 resolution be provided to the Governor and the Executive
16 Director of the Alabama Education Association, so that the
17 strong sentiments of this body may be known.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris,
Secretary.

House of Representatives
Adopted: 13-APR-21

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