

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 932

By Representatives Dunn, Maddox, Hood, Gresham, Harry Brooks

and

Senators Ford, Harper, Marrero

A RESOLUTION to urge the Department of Education to study and develop lesson plans to be used by parents in conjunction with the Books from Birth program.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds and declares that parental involvement is the key to a child's success in learning, particularly early learning; and

WHEREAS, traditionally, the first teacher for every child is a parent, and that educational bond can be nurtured as a child develops through active parental participation in the learning experience; and

WHEREAS, parental participation in this State could be greatly enhanced by the development of appropriate lesson plans to be used by parents that would accompany the books provided through the Books from Birth program; and

WHEREAS, such a low cost initiative would have a substantial impact on the school-readiness of Tennessee's youngest generation and would be a common sense approach to maximize the benefit of the Books from Birth program and increase effective parental participation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the Department of Education is urged to develop appropriate lesson plans to accompany the books provided through the Books from Birth program. Such lesson plans should be short and easy to use with the goal of helping parents teach age appropriate skills.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

**ADOPTED: May 20, 2008**

  
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JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

**APPROVED: June 4, 2008**

  
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PHIL BREDEESEN, GOVERNOR