

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 51

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A RESOLUTION urging the Department of Education to promote the teaching of the history of the labor movement in schools throughout Tennessee.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly firmly believes in the importance of a well-rounded education, one which enables an individual to pursue any and all goals in life with the utmost confidence and preparation; and

WHEREAS, an important facet of such an education is the history of America and Americans and an understanding of the roles they have played in shaping the world for more than two centuries; and

WHEREAS, one important period of American history is that of the labor movement, which has played a vital role in safety, fair wages, equal protection under the law, promotions, and training; the history of labor in the United States is one of progress and hope, one seeking liberty and justice for all; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee should seek to preserve, promote, and celebrate our national heritage, culture, and history through the education of its children, and one of the most important facets of that heritage is the history of the labor movement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that this Body urges the Department of Education to initiate, encourage, and promote the teaching of the history of the labor movement to children across the State in an effort to ensure the finest quality education for all young Tennesseans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for delivery to the commissioner of education and the commissioner of labor.