By: Senator(s) Kirby, Barnett, Blount, To: Rules Carter, Frazier, Hopson, McCaughn, Thomas, McLendon

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8

2	CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES (NCSL) ON ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY II 2025.
4	WHEREAS, the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)
5	was founded in 1975 and has evolved during the past half-century
6	to become the premier organization solely dedicated to serving
7	state and territorial legislators and legislative staff; and
8	WHEREAS, for 50 years, NCSL has served to advance the
9	effectiveness, independence and integrity of legislatures, while
LO	advocating at the national level in support of state interests;
L1	and
L2	WHEREAS, it was created from the merger of three
L3	organizations that served or represented state legislatures and
L 4	that shared the belief that legislative service is one of
L 5	democracy's worthiest pursuits; and
L 6	WHEREAS, NCSL is a bipartisan organization with three
L 7	objectives: to advance the effectiveness, independence and
L 8	integrity of state legislatures; to foster interstate

- 19 communication and cooperation; and to ensure states a strong,
- 20 cohesive voice in the federal system; and
- 21 WHEREAS, our nation's state legislatures are America's
- 22 laboratories of democracy and have continually shown that they are
- 23 the bodies to tackle emerging challenges, and state legislatures
- 24 are where people from very different backgrounds, representing
- 25 very different communities, can come together and find common
- 26 ground, and NCSL has facilitated the exchange of ideas, provided
- 27 critical research and information and encouraged a rigorous review
- 28 of complex issues confronting our communities, states and nation,
- 29 and NCSL strives to strengthen the bonds between America's state
- 30 legislatures and the international community; and
- 31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
- 32 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby recognize and commend the National
- 33 Conference of State Legislatures for their superb leadership and
- 34 their commitment to the legislative institution on the occasion of
- 35 their 50th Anniversary in 2025.
- 36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the State
- 37 Senate is authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy
- 38 of this resolution to the National Conference of State
- 39 Legislatures, and it shall be made available to the Capitol Press
- 40 Corps.