

2007 INTERIM STUDIES

HOUSE STUDIES

HSR 1	Hutter	House Committee on Insurance to study the feasibility of establishing a regional catastrophe fund that would allow states along the Gulf Coast to pool property insurance risks and other resources to reduce insurance premiums throughout the Gulf Coast region
HSR 2	Elbert Guillory	House Committee on Judiciary to study certification and testing requirements of the Board of Examiners of Certified Shorthand Reporters and whether court reporters from districts throughout the state, and particularly the 28 th Judicial District, should be able to use electronic recording equipment in testing in order to be certified by the board
HSR 3	Barrow	House Committees on Judiciary and Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to meet jointly to study and review during the 2007 Regular Session of the Legislature the status of the state's emergency preparedness capability
HSR 4	Crane	House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to study the feasibility, desirability, and cost of instituting a program to assist state employees in repaying postsecondary student loan debt in return for state service
HSR 5	White	House Committee on the Administration of Criminal Justice to study the actions of the Integrated Criminal Justice Information System Policy Board
HSR 6	Gallot	House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to study the office of risk management's administration of workers' compensation claims and benefits of contracting with third-party vendors to provide such services
HSR 7	Dorsey	House Committee on Health and Welfare to study the problem of mental illness in Louisiana, specifically the effect of substance abuse on mentally ill individuals, and ways in which to provide long-term, continuous care for mentally ill individuals
HSR 8	Dartez	House Committee on Health and Welfare to study the feasibility of regionalizing medical education and medical care in the state

HSR 9	Lorusso	House Committee on Retirement to study issues related to investments by public retirement systems in companies or entities having facilities or employees or both in a prohibited nation
HSR 10	Hunter	House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to study the need for an annual cost of living wage increase for direct support professionals
HSR 11	Toomy	House Committee on Retirement to study the issue of Deferred Retirement Option Plan rescission for certain members of the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System who were encouraged to enter that plan early after retirement eligibility
HSR 12	Crowe	House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development to study rules enacted by the Louisiana Horticulture commission regarding licensure of retail florists

HOUSE CONCURRENT STUDIES

HCSR 1	Lancaster	House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs and the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to meet and function as a joint committee on or after January 14, 2008, to commence a comprehensive study of ethics laws and exceptions to ethics laws
HCSR 2	Gallot	House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs and the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to meet jointly to study the feasibility of and issues surrounding allowing any qualified voter to vote absentee by mail in Louisiana
HCSR 3	Toomy	House Committee on Judiciary and Senate Committee on Judiciary C to meet jointly to study and review the challenges, needs, and progress of the criminal justice system in Orleans Parish
HCSR 4	Labruzzo	House Committee on Insurance and the Senate Committee on Insurance to meet jointly to study the assignment of health insurance benefits to noncontracted health care providers
HCSR 5	Gallot	House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs and the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to meet jointly to study the feasibility of and issues surrounding mandatory ethics training for all public servants

HCSR 6	Smiley	House Committee on Insurance and Senate Committee on Insurance to meet jointly to study requiring that the Global Positioning System be used to determine the location of property within a public fire protection area for purposes of assigning fire protection rates
HCSR 7	Triche	House and Senate Committees on Retirement to meet jointly to study the Optional Retirement Plan of the Teachers' Retirement System and the irrevocability of a participant's election to participate in such plan
HCSR 8	DeWitt	House and Senate Committees on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to meet jointly to study the Federal Railroad Administration's 2007 25% mandated closures of industrial and agricultural railroad grade crossings on private lands
HCSR 9	Lancaster	House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs and Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to meet jointly to study the issues surrounding application of public records laws exceptions to nonprofit organizations that do business with the state
HCSR 10	Lancaster	House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs and Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to meet jointly to study the effectiveness of and issues pertaining to the provisions of R.S. 44:22 relative to public records exceptions for certain economic development negotiations
HCSR 11	Williams	House Committee on Commerce and Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs to meet jointly to study the effects imposed on state and local banks with implementation of interest-bearing escrow accounts

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

HR 1	Schneider	Urges and requests the House Committee on Insurance to hold hearings on the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation
HR 18	Salter	Urges and requests the House Committee on Commerce to conduct a study and make recommendations regarding the use of public funds or resources in activities which compete with the private business industry

HR 97	Barrow	Urges and requests the House Committee on Commerce to study and make recommendations relative to imposing green building standards for construction of public buildings in order to make the operation of such buildings more efficient and to protect the health and welfare of employees who work in such buildings and the health and welfare of the citizens of this state
HR 132	Hutter	Urges and requests the House Committee on Insurance to investigate the feasibility of establishing a regional catastrophe fund that would allow states along the Gulf Coast to pool property insurance risks and other resources to reduce insurance premiums throughout the Gulf Coast region
HR 138	Durand	Urges and requests the House Committee on Health and Welfare to study the creation of a pilot program to provide for colorectal cancer screening

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

HCR 115	Johns	Urges and requests the House Committee on Health and Welfare and the Senate Committee on Health Welfare to meet jointly to study and make recommendations with respect to autism spectrum disorders
HCR 261	Cazayoux	Urges and requests the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice, the Senate Judiciary B Committee, and the Senate Judiciary C Committee to meet jointly to study issues relating to the reduction of sex-related crimes in Louisiana
HCR 268	Alario	Urges and requests the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget to study the issues relative to implementation of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No's. 43 and 45, which prescribe accounting and reporting requirements for post-employment benefits other than pension benefits
HCR 38 <i>2006 2nd ES</i>	Scalise	Urges and requests the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance to meet jointly to study financing and refinancing options for the Outer-Continental Shelf federal revenue sharing monies that are dedicated to the state of Louisiana

SENATE CONCURRENT STUDY REQUESTS

SCSR 1	Cain	Senate and House Committees on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture and rural Development to meet jointly to study the issues of the National Animal identification system of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture
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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

SCR 6	B. Gautreaux	Urges and requests the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare and the House Committee on Health and Welfare to meet jointly to study the expansion and funding of Medicaid waiver slots for children with developmental disabilities
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SCR 58	Mount	Urges and requests the Senate Committee on Judiciary C and the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to meet jointly to study current law, policies, and practices in response to domestic and dating violence
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SCR 72	Cain	Urges and requests the Senate and House Committees on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture and Rural Development to study the issues of the national Animal Identification System of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and to hold a public hearing in each region of the state to provide an opportunity for public testimony on the program
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SCR 97	N. Gautreaux	Urges and requests the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare to meet jointly to study the medical staffing agency industry in Louisiana to ascertain the effect of medical staffing agencies on the delivery of quality health care in this state and to determine whether the industry should be subject to registration, licensure, or other regulation
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SCR 109	Schedler	Requests the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare to study and make recommendations with respect to a process for dealing with issues of the scope of practice for various medical health care disciplines
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SCR 119	Marionneaux	Urges and requests the Senate Committee on Judiciary B and the House Committee on the Administration of Criminal Justice to meet jointly to study and make recommendations regarding the effects of the state of Mississippi's decision to land-base its casinos
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SCR 123	Jackson	Urges and requests the Senate Committee on Finance and the House Committee on Appropriations to meet jointly to study and make recommendations with respect to including as part of the General Appropriations Bill the annual tax exemption budget
SCR 128	Jackson	Urges and requests the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare to meet jointly to study the current status of the chronic disease of asthma in Louisiana
SCR 133	Marionneaux	Urges and requests the Senate and House Committees on Governmental Affairs to meet jointly to study the legal issues, costs, and feasibility of providing live audio and video broadcasts of all Senate, House of Representatives, and other legislative committee meetings and floor proceedings in the State Capitol and of providing for the download and archiving of such broadcasts
SCR 138	N. Gautreaux	Urges and requests the Senate and House Committees on Insurance to meet jointly to study the feasibility of requiring certificates of compliance to be affixed to a motor vehicle windshield as evidence of insurance coverage