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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

BY SENATORS AMEDEE AND WALSWORTH

COMMITTEE STUDIES. Creates the State Capitol Complex Task Force.

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create the State Capitol Complex Task Force to study and make recommendations to the legislature for the capitol park with respect to the state capitol building, traffic congestion, Capitol Lake, and the surrounding infrastructure.

WHEREAS, the capitol park means the area in the city of Baton Rouge containing the state capitol building and bounded on the south by Main Street, on the west by the Mississippi River, on the north by Choctaw Drive, and on the east by the Kansas City Southern Railway tracks; and

WHEREAS, with the development of the capitol park and location and relocation of state buildings, state agencies, offices and private businesses, this area has garnered a tremendous influx of traffic; and

WHEREAS, the area surrounding Third Street, State Capitol Drive, and Capitol Lake are of particular concern and requires a strategic plan to alleviate traffic congestion.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby create the Capitol Complex Task Force to study and make recommendations to the legislature for the capitol park, with respect to the state capitol building, traffic congestion, Capitol Lake, and the surrounding infrastructure.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Capitol Complex Task Force shall be

1 composed of the following persons or their designees:

2 (1) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public
3 Works.

4 (2) The chairman of the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public
5 Works.

6 (3) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Environmental Quality.

7 (4) The chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Homeland Security.

8 (5) The chairman of the House Select Committee on Homeland Security.

9 (6) The secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

10 (7) The secretary of the Department of Natural Resources.

11 (8) The secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality.

12 (9) The director of the office of state buildings.

13 (10) The director of the office of facility planning and control within the division of
14 administration.

15 (11) The director of the Downtown Development District of the City of Baton Rouge.

16 (12) The director of the Department of Public Works for East Baton Rouge Parish.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall convene no later than
18 September 1, 2013, and at the first meeting, the task force shall elect a chair who shall be
19 responsible for calling all subsequent meetings and electing such other officers as it deems
20 appropriate. The majority of the total membership shall constitute a quorum and any official
21 action of the task force shall require a vote of a majority of the quorum presenting and
22 voting.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the task force shall serve
24 without compensation, except per diem or expense reimbursement to which they may be
25 individually entitled as members of their respective organizations.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall report its findings, together
27 with recommendations for action, to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget no later
28 than March 1, 2014, and shall report annually to the legislature.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
30 chairman of the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, the

1 chairman of the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, the
2 chairman of the Senate Committee on Environmental Quality, the chairman of the Senate
3 Select Committee on Homeland Security, the chairman of the House Select Committee on
4 Homeland Security, the secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development, the
5 secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, the secretary of the Department of
6 Environmental Quality, the director of the office of state buildings, and the director of the
7 office of facility planning and control within the division of administration.

The original instrument was prepared by Bobbie Hunter. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Tammy Crain-Waldrop.

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SCR No. 12

Creates the Capitol Complex Task Force to study the capitol park and make recommendations no later than March 1, 2014.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to original resolution

1. Adds two additional members to the State Capital Complex Task Force.