

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 72

BY SENATOR ERDEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To establish an advisory group within the Department of Veterans Affairs to study, evaluate, and make recommendations on the proper utilization of the former Greenwell Springs Mental Health Hospital facility.

WHEREAS, an opportunity to use the former Greenwell Springs Mental Health Hospital facility exists; and

WHEREAS, to study the possible uses of the former Greenwell Springs Mental Health Hospital facility is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the advisory group shall study, evaluate, and make recommendations on the future utilization of the former Greenwell Springs Mental Health Hospital facility.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby establish an advisory group within the Department of Veterans Affairs to study, evaluate, and make recommendations on the future utilization of the former Greenwell Springs Mental Health Hospital facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the membership on the advisory group shall consist of the following:

- (1) The lieutenant governor, or his designee.
- (2) The secretary of state, or his designee.
- (3) The secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, or his designee.
- (4) The secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, or his designee.
- (5) The state senator for Senate District 13, or his designee.
- (6) The state representative for House District 65, or his designee.
- (7) The mayor of the city of Central, or his designee.
- (8) The executive director of the Recreation and Park Commission for the parish of East Baton Rouge.
- (9) The chancellor of Baton Rouge Community College, or his designee.
- (10) The chairman of the Capital Area Human Services District, or his designee.
- (11) The president of the Louisiana AFL-CIO, or his designee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the names of the members on the advisory group shall be submitted to the secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs no later than September 1, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the advisory group shall convene its first meeting no later than September 15, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs shall designate the chairperson of the advisory group from the membership of the advisory group.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the advisory group shall provide for the manner and frequency of its meetings at its first meeting, and it shall be staffed by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the advisory group shall meet as necessary and shall report its findings and recommendations to the legislature no later than February 1, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the advisory group shall terminate upon the date of submission of its report or February 1, 2013, whichever occurs first.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the office of the lieutenant governor, the office of the secretary of state, the office of the secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, the office of the secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, the office of the state senator for Senate District 13, the office of the state representative for House District 65, the office of the mayor of the city of Central, the office of the executive director of the Recreation and Park Commission for the parish of East Baton Rouge, the office of the chancellor of Baton Rouge Community College, the office of the chairman of the Capital Area Human Services District, and the office of the president of the Louisiana AFL-CIO.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES