BY SENATOR CARTER

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, public safety services, to study and make recommendations relative to fees and payment methods available to students for driver education courses.

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, public safety services, requires written evidence of the successful completion by the person making application for the first time for a license to operate a motor vehicle of either a "driver education course" or a "prelicensing training course"; and

WHEREAS, the department requires a "driver education course" for any person under the age of eighteen, which shall consist of not less than eight hours of actual driving instruction and thirty hours of classroom instruction; and

WHEREAS, the department requires a "prelicensing training course" from any person eighteen years or older if a driver education course is not yet completed; and

WHEREAS, present law provides the prelicensing training course shall consist of a minimum of six hours of classroom instruction and a minimum of eight hours of actual driving instruction; and

WHEREAS, under present law, a person shall not be allowed to receive more than four hours of actual driving instruction on any single calendar day in a "driver education course" or a "prelicensing training course"; and

WHEREAS, students have to pay certain fees to take either a driver education course or a prelicensing training course; and

WHEREAS, it serves the public interest to make available different payment methods for students to pay the fees for a driver education course or a prelicensing training course; and

WHEREAS, it would also serve the public interest for the department to establish rules and regulations with respect to fees and payment method options available to students for driver education courses.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, public safety services, to study and make recommendations relative to fees and payment method options available to students for driver education courses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department shall submit a written report of its findings and recommendations in the form of proposed legislation, to the Legislature of Louisiana no later than February 1, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE