

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 159

BY SENATOR MORRELL

HEALTH SERVICES. Amends the membership of the commission to study the licensure and regulations of behavior analysts.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To amend the membership for the Behavior Analysts Licensure and Regulation Study  
3 Commission that shall study the licensure and regulation of behavior analysts and  
4 to require a report on the baseline framework for such licensure and regulation on or  
5 before February 1, 2013.

6 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Senate adopted Senate Resolution No. 110 of the 2012  
7 Regular Session on May 17, 2012, and Senate Resolution No. 142 of the 2012 Regular  
8 Session on May 28, 2012; and

9 WHEREAS, Senate Resolution Nos. 110 and 142 established and provided for the  
10 Behavior Analysts Licensure and Regulation Study Commission; and

11 WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the membership of the commission and to  
12 change the meeting and reporting requirements of the commission and to provide for  
13 member appointments and commission officers.

14 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
15 does hereby amend the membership and dates for the initial meeting and reporting for the  
16 Behavior Analysts Licensure and Regulation Study Commission.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Behavior Analysts Licensure and Regulation  
18 Study Commission shall consist of the following members:

1 (1) The secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, or his designee.

2 (2) The state superintendent of education, or his designee.

3 (3) The executive director of the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of  
4 Psychologists, or his designee.

5 (4) The executive director of the Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors Board  
6 of Examiners, or his designee.

7 (5) The executive director of the Louisiana Behavior Analysis Association, or his  
8 designee.

9 (6) The executive director of the Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language  
10 Pathology and Audiology, or his designee.

11 (7) The dean of the College of Education, Nicholls State University, or his designee.

12 (8) The president of the Louisiana Psychological Association, or his designee.

13 (9) The chairperson of the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners, or his  
14 designee.

15 (10) The executive director of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, or  
16 his designee.

17 (11) A representative of the Developmental Disability Council.

18 (12) The parent or guardian of a child who currently receives or has received applied  
19 behavior analysis (ABA) services appointed by the president of the Senate.

20 (13) The parent or guardian of a child who currently receives or has received applied  
21 behavior analysis (ABA) services appointed by the chairman of the Senate Committee on  
22 Health and Welfare.

23 (14) Paul M. Hebert Law Center's full-time health law professor who has direct  
24 experience in the field of behavior analysis, or his designee.

25 (15) The head of the Psychology Department at McNeese State University, or his  
26 designee.

27 (16) The director of the Autism Center at Children's Hospital, or his designee.

28 (17) The director of the St. Mary's Residential Training School, or his designee.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the names of the commission membership shall  
30 be submitted to the secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, and the secretary

1 of the Department of Health and Hospitals shall call the organizational meeting of the  
2 commission.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appointee of the president of the Senate shall  
4 be the chairman of the commission, and the appointee of the chairman of the Senate  
5 Committee on Health and Welfare shall be the vice-chairman of the commission.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health and Hospitals shall  
7 staff the commission.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Behavior Analysts Licensure and Regulation  
9 Study Commission shall have its first meeting on or before June 30, 2012.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission shall report to the Senate  
11 through its president on the baseline framework for licensure and regulation of behavior  
12 analysts on or before February 1, 2013.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provisions of this Resolution shall supersede  
14 any conflicting provisions of Senate Resolution No. 110 or Senate Resolution No. 142.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
16 secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, the state superintendent of education,  
17 the executive director of the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, the  
18 executive director of the Louisiana Licensed Professional Counselors' Board of Examiners,  
19 the executive director of the Louisiana Behavior Analysis Association, the Louisiana Board  
20 of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, the dean of the College of  
21 Education of Nicholls State University, the Louisiana Psychological Association, the  
22 Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners, the Louisiana State Board of Medical  
23 Examiners, the Developmental Disability Council, the president of the Louisiana Senate, the  
24 chairman of the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare, the Paul M. Hebert Law Center,  
25 the Psychology Department of McNeese State University, the Autism Center at Children's  
26 Hospital, and the St. Mary's Residential Training School.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Tracy Sabina Sudduth.

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DIGEST

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