BY SENATOR HEITMEIER

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Health and Hospitals to report to the Senate

Committee on Health and Welfare by April 30, 2010, to provide information with

respect to the effects of the recently enacted Patient Protection and Affordable Care

Act upon the state of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act provides for sweeping changes not only to the insurance industry but also to the publicly funded Medicaid and Medicare programs which all ultimately affect the overall provision of healthcare in this state; and

WHEREAS, it is of the utmost importance that the Legislature of Louisiana be fully informed of the consequences and effects that this recently enacted legislation will have upon the state so that the soundest decisions can be made with regard to future of the provision of healthcare in the state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Health and Hospitals to report to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare by April 30, 2010, to provide information with respect to the effects of the recently enacted Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act upon the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE