

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDMONDS

VOTERS/VOTING: Urges and requests that the secretary of state produce an annual report of all voting complaints

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the secretary of state to produce and publish an annual report of all  
3 voting complaints.

4 WHEREAS, the Department of State's election compliance unit was created by state  
5 law in 2004 as a means to respond to complaints related to elections; and

6 WHEREAS, the elections compliance unit conducts investigations into allegations  
7 of election irregularities, but it does not have the legal authority to prosecute complaints or  
8 issue legal penalties; and

9 WHEREAS, if the elections compliance unit finds that a criminal act has been  
10 committed, it forwards the complaint to the appropriate prosecutorial authority; and

11 WHEREAS, members of the public can file an election-related complaint by calling  
12 the complaint hotline provided on the Department of State's website; and

13 WHEREAS, local election officials can report instances of election irregularities that  
14 they have personally witnessed or that have come to their attention through complaints  
15 received at the parish level; and

16 WHEREAS, the Department of State's elections compliance unit received five  
17 hundred one election-related complaints from 2017 through 2021; and

18 WHEREAS, the Legislative Auditor's Office conducted a performance audit of  
19 Louisiana's election processes and procedures to determine whether existing processes are  
20 adequate; and

1           WHEREAS, the legislative auditor found that the Department of State could improve  
2 its complaints process by consistently categorizing complaints, tracking the status of  
3 complaints, and making this information available to the public.

4           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
5 urge and request the secretary of state to produce an annual report of all voting complaints  
6 and that such report be made public on his website.

7           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
8 secretary of state.

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DIGEST

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