

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 204

BY REPRESENTATIVE MAGEE

CLERKS OF COURT: Requests the Louisiana Clerks' Remote Access Authority to provide information regarding integrated e-filing and case management

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Louisiana Clerks' Remote Access Authority to compile information
3 regarding integrated electronic filing and case management capabilities and to
4 submit a report containing such information to the legislature no later than January
5 1, 2024.

6 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Clerks' Remote Access Authority (LCRAA) has been
7 tasked by the legislature as the entity responsible for designing, constructing, administering,
8 and maintaining a statewide portal of records maintained by parish clerks of court; and

9 WHEREAS, since 2014, LCRAA has made significant progress in developing the
10 statewide portal and providing assistance to parishes to implement electronic filing and case
11 management systems; and

12 WHEREAS, to fully modernize Louisiana's judicial system, the state requires a
13 statewide integrated electronic filing system that allows for electronic document filing, case
14 management, and document and image management; and

15 WHEREAS, many surrounding states, including Georgia, Texas, Florida, and
16 Alabama have implemented statewide integrated electronic filing systems; and

17 WHEREAS, integrated electronic filing provides litigants, courts, and the public with
18 instant access to court documents allowing for greater transparency and efficiency in our
19 judicial system; and

1 WHEREAS, integrated electronic filing improves access to court systems by
2 providing litigants with twenty-four hour access and a secure and standard means by which
3 to file and review pleadings; and

4 WHEREAS, recognizing the costs associated with statewide integrated electronic
5 filing in Louisiana, in order to make decisions regarding future legislation and funding
6 necessary for implementation, the legislature desires more information about the current
7 status of all systems of the clerks of court across the state.

8 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
9 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request LCRAA to compile the following
10 information regarding integrated electronic filing and case management capabilities and to
11 submit a report containing such information to the legislature no later than January 1, 2024:

12 (1) The status of implementation of an electronic filing system by each parish clerk
13 of court.

14 (2) The status of implementation of an electronic case management system by each
15 parish clerk of court.

16 (3) The status of implementation of a document and image management system by
17 each parish clerk of court.

18 (4) The case management system or docket system software and software vendor
19 used by each parish clerk of court.

20 (5) The number and percentage of remote electronic filings and physical filings of
21 pleadings converted to electronic image by each parish clerk of court.

22 (6) The capability of the case management system or docket system of each parish
23 clerk of court to accept electronic signatures by judges and the extent of the use of electronic
24 signature systems by judges of each court.

25 (7) The costs charged by each clerk of court to persons for electronic filing of civil
26 and criminal pleadings and the amounts charged to access, view, and download images of
27 pleadings via an electronic case management system or docket system.

28 (8) The costs charged by each clerk of court for electronic recording of documents
29 effecting land titles.

1 (9) The cost charged by each clerk of court to access, view, or obtain copies of
2 electronic images or paper copies of electronic images of documents in the land title
3 database.

4 (10) The amount of funding necessary to complete an integrated electronic filing
5 system for each parish clerk of court.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
7 executive director of LCRAA.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana Clerks' Remote Access Authority
9 shall submit one print copy and one electronic copy of any report produced pursuant to this
10 Resolution to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library as required by R.S. 24:772.

DIGEST

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