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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 212

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SECRETARY OF STATE: Requests the secretary of state to study the feasibility of creating and maintaining a portal on the secretary of state's website which allows citizens to identify unduly burdensome statewide regulations and to propose potential alternatives

A RESOLUTION

2	To urge and request the secretary of state to study the feasibility of creating and maintaining
3	a portal on the Department of State's website to allow citizens to identify unduly
4	burdensome statewide regulations and to propose potentially less burdensome
5	alternatives and which would provide a mechanism for sharing the information with
6	appropriate state entities for consideration in their rulemaking processes.
7	WHEREAS, unduly burdensome regulations create barriers to entrepreneurs entering
8	certain industries and may prevent existing industries from efficiently creating new products
9	and processes; and
10	WHEREAS, the failure to recognize differences in the impact of regulations on the
11	resources of regulated businesses may cause smaller businesses to bear a disproportionate
12	share of cost of otherwise uniform regulatory requirements; and
13	WHEREAS, creative, alternative, and nonuniform regulatory approaches that
14	nevertheless protect the health, safety, and economic welfare of Louisiana may reduce the
15	adverse impact of regulations on entrepreneurs and businesses; and
16	WHEREAS, currently, a public comment period is required when agencies intend
17	to adopt, amend, or repeal regulations; and
18	WHEREAS, although there is a process by which individuals can petition an agency
19	to consider changes to regulations, the House of Representatives of the Legislature of

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Louisiana believes that creating an easily accessible portal will foster additional civic 2 engagement in the rulemaking process; and 3 WHEREAS, states throughout the United States have implemented various reforms 4 to the development of state regulations to ensure existing regulations are subject to periodic 5 scrutiny to determine whether there is a continued need for the regulation or whether 6 modification should be sought; and 7 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana 8 understands the necessity of reviewing existing regulations and obtaining public comments 9 on government processes and believes that providing a portal on the Department of State's 10 website supports this cause; and 11 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana realizes 12 the need to streamline business processes to create a vibrant small business sector and 13 believes this study is in furtherance of the legislative findings enacted in the Louisiana Small 14 Business Protection Act, R.S. 49:974.2. 15 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 16 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the secretary of state to study the 17 feasibility of creating and maintaining a portal on the Department of State's website to allow 18 users to identify unduly burdensome statewide regulations and to propose potentially less 19 burdensome alternatives and which would provide a mechanism for sharing the information 20 with appropriate state entities for consideration in their rulemaking processes. 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each statewide rulemaking agency is hereby 22 requested to provide the following information to the secretary of state's office within one 23 year: 24 (1) Information regarding each official or employee within the agency involved in 25 its rulemaking process. 26 (2) Contact information for the individuals responsible for rulemaking inquiries. 27 (3) Other information as requested by the secretary of state and necessary to study 28 the feasibility of creating the portal contemplated by this Resolution.

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DIGEST

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