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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 147

BY REPRESENTATIVE JENKINS

SCHOOLS/FINANCE-MFP: Requests BESE to recognize and include increased funding, as provided in House Bill No. 1 of the 2023 Regular Session, when developing and adopting a minimum foundation program formula for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year and in future years

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to recognize
3	and include increased funding, as provided in House Bill No. 1 of the 2023 Regular
4	Session, when developing and adopting a minimum foundation program formula for
5	the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year and in future years.
6	WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 13(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana requires the
7	State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) to develop and adopt, annually,
8	a formula which is to be used to determine the cost of a minimum foundation program
9	(MFP) of education in all public elementary and secondary schools; and
10	WHEREAS, on March 8, 2023, BESE adopted such a formula to determine the cost
11	and allocation of funds for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year, and on March 15, 2023, submitted
12	it to the legislature; and
13	WHEREAS, an instrument providing for legislative approval of the formula was
14	introduced for consideration, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2; and
15	WHEREAS, the proposed formula includes, among other components, provisions
16	for: increased funding for pay raises and associated retirement costs, funding for
17	differentiated compensation, funding for an apprenticeship program, and funding for Ecole
18	Pointe au Chien; and
19	WHEREAS, the formula includes an across the board \$2,000 pay raise plus the
20	current year applicable retirement contribution for certificated personnel; and

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1 WHEREAS, the formula includes an across the board \$1,000 pay raise plus the 2 current year applicable retirement contribution for noncertificated personnel; and 3 WHEREAS, in order to provide for funding these components of the formula in an 4 amount determined by the legislature, the legislature intends to amend House Bill No. 1 of 5 the 2023 Regular Session in order to provide for this funding outside of the formula by 6 directing the state Department of Education to allocate such funds in the same manner in 7 which they would have been allocated pursuant to the MFP formula; and 8 WHEREAS, it is the intent of the legislature that this increase in funding, although 9 provided for outside of the MFP formula for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year, be recognized and 10 included by the BESE in future years. 11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 12 urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to recognize and 13 include provision for increased funding to provide the \$2,000 pay raise for certificated 14 personnel and \$1,000 pay raise for noncertificated personnel along with related employer 15 retirement contributions as provided in House Bill No. 1 of the 2023 Regular Session of the 16 Legislature when developing and adopting a minimum foundation program formula for the 17 2024-2025 Fiscal Year and in future years. 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the 19 governor, commissioner of administration, president of the State Board of Elementary and 20 Secondary Education, and state superintendent of education.

DIGEST

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