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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 101

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER

TRANSPORTATION DEPT: Urges and requests the Department of Transportation and Development to seek a waiver for a gateway sign permit for a "Crawfish Expressway" sign in Breaux Bridge

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to seek a waiver for
3	a gateway sign permit for a "Crawfish Expressway" sign in Breaux Bridge.
4	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislature declared Breaux Bridge the "Crawfish Capital
5	of the World" in 1959; and
6	WHEREAS, Breaux Bridge is the home of the annual Crawfish Festival; and
7	WHEREAS, the Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival has become one of the largest
8	gatherings of world-famous Cajun, zydeco, and swamp pop musicians; and
9	WHEREAS, the Crawfish Festival is a popular attraction for families from near and
10	far featuring Cajun cuisine, and of course, crawfish served in every possible way; and
11	WHEREAS, the Crawfish Festival also features crawfish races, Cajun and zydeco
12	dance contests, a carnival midway, a crawfish cook-off, and a parade in honor of the
13	Crawfish Queen; and
14	WHEREAS, a "Crawfish Expressway" sign would bring added notoriety and
15	emphasis on the Crawfish Capital of the World; and
16	WHEREAS, interstate gateway sign permits are typically issued for cities with a
17	population of ten thousand or more; and
18	WHEREAS, the 2020 federal decennial census shows the population of Breaux
19	Bridge as seven thousand five hundred and thirteen; and

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- WHEREAS, while the population in Breaux Bridge does not meet the standard
- 2 threshold for gateway sign permits the cultural significance of the local cuisine, particularly
- 3 crawfish prepared to perfection, warrants an exception.
- 4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
- 5 urge an request the Department of Transportation and Development to seek a waiver from
- 6 the Federal Highway Administration for Breaux Bridge to obtain a "Crawfish Expressway"
- 7 sign.
- 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
- 9 secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

DIGEST

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Urges and requests the Dept. of Transportation and Development to seek a gateway sign permit waiver from the Federal Hwy. Administration for Breaux Bridge to obtain a "Crawfish Expressway" sign.