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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 281

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A RESOLUTION

To create a study group to study K-12 education in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of Louisiana provides that the "goal of the public educational system is to provide learning environments and experiences, at all stages of human development, that are humane, just, and designed to promote excellence in order that every individual may be afforded an equal opportunity to develop to his full potential"; and

WHEREAS, it further provides that "the legislature shall provide for the education of the people of the state and shall establish and maintain a public educational system" and "the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education ... shall supervise and control the public elementary and secondary schools ... as provided by law"; and

WHEREAS, as of February 2024, there were 646,481 public school students in the state; a convening of a study group focused on education can help to move this state forward, and make an impact in the lives of as many of those students as possible.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives does hereby create a study group to study K-12 education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study group shall consist of the following members:

(1) Two members of the House of Representatives appointed by the chairman of the House Committee on Education.

(2) One member of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House.

(3) One member appointed by the governor.

(4) One member appointed by the executive director of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents.

(5) One member appointed by the executive director of the Louisiana School Boards Association.

(6) Six members who are teachers, two members each appointed by the president of Louisiana Association of Educators, the president of the Louisiana Federation of Teachers, and the executive director of Associated Professional Educators of Louisiana, one teacher shall be appointed from each congressional district.

(7) Six members who are school principals appointed by the executive director of the Louisiana Association of Principals, one member shall be appointed from each congressional district.

(8) Six members who are superintendents appointed by the executive director of the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents, one member shall be appointed from each congressional district.

(9) One member appointed by the executive director of the Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the member appointed by the governor shall serve as chairman of the study group and shall call the first meeting of the study group by July 1, 2024; and that staff of the office of the governor shall provide support to the study group.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters that the study group shall review, evaluate, and examine are to include all of the following:

- (1) Regulations on public schools.
- (2) Testing requirements.
- (3) Curriculum, particularly as it pertains to local input and decision making.
- (4) Requirements of teachers, including but not limited to training and general workload.
- (5) Federal funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study group shall submit a report of its finding and recommendations to the governor and the House Committee on Education by December 1, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the governor.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES