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The Honorable Phillip DeVillier
Speaker of the House
900 N. 3rd St.
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The Honorable Michelle Fontenot
Clerk of the House
State Capitol
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Baton Rouge, LA 70802

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RE: House Bill Number 982 of the 2024 Regular Session by Representative Joy Walters

Dear Speaker DeVillier and Clerk Fontenot:

Please be advised that I have vetoed House Bill 982 of the 2024 Regular Session. This bill seeks to increase the membership of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice (LCLE) from an already large number of 59 members to 63 members, dictates where those members must reside, and dictates that those members must come from a university or a law school. The current membership of LCLE already includes multiple members from each of the areas of the state specified in House Bill 982, and the current membership requirements already allow numerous at-large appointments for professionals or laypersons having a vital concern with law enforcement and the administration of criminal justice. Further, the current membership total for LCLE makes it already one of the largest memberships of all boards and commissions in this state. Thus, House Bill 982 is simply unnecessary.

For these reasons, House Bill 982 will not become law.

Sincerely,



Jeff Landry
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Enclosure: Returned House Bill 982