

1 WHEREAS, regulatory requirements that create unnecessary barriers to entry into
2 the profession may reduce workforce availability; and

3 WHEREAS, reducing or modifying certain licensing requirements while maintaining
4 professional qualifications will encourage more individuals to become licensed water well
5 drillers and strengthen the state's water infrastructure; and

6 WHEREAS, the state seeks to encourage entry into the water well drilling profession
7 and to grow the number of licensed water well drillers serving communities throughout the
8 state.

9 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
10 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Conservation and
11 Energy to study statutory and administrative rules and regulations governing the licensure
12 of water well drillers, and to evaluate whether such requirements may be modified to reduce
13 undue burdens on applicants, including the requirements of two years of drilling experience
14 and two professional references.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Conservation and Energy
16 shall provide a written report detailing its findings to the House Committee on Natural
17 Resources and Environment not later than sixty days prior to the convening of the 2027
18 Regular Session of the Legislature.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
20 secretary of the Department of Conservation and Energy.

DIGEST

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