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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 141

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RETIREMENT SYSTEMS. Requests state retirement systems to identify China-connected holdings and to report on how to divest from such investments in a prudent and orderly manner.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the boards of trustees of the state retirement systems to study and make
3 recommendations regarding refraining from investing in the securities of companies
4 domiciled in China or whose management and direction are subject to the control of
5 the Chinese government, Chinese military, or the Chinese Communist Party.

6 WHEREAS, the People's Republic of China and its controlling Communist Party are
7 progressively hostile to the interests of the United States and the state of Louisiana and are
8 actively engaged in systemic efforts to steal intellectual property, undermine democracy, and
9 undermine the individual freedoms cherished by residents of Louisiana; and

10 WHEREAS, due to ongoing tension between the United States and China, exposure
11 to investment in securities, equities, and other holdings of business entities affiliated with
12 or controlled by the Chinese government introduces regulatory and geopolitical risks that
13 may cause sudden losses for state retirement systems; and

14 WHEREAS, recognizing the risk to holders of Chinese-based equities and
15 investments due to Chinese government interference, market manipulation, and lack of
16 financial and organizational transparency, state pension funds in Arkansas, Kansas,
17 Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, and Florida, as well as the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment
18 Board, have divested from such holdings; and

1 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislature urges officials charged with the fiduciary duty
2 of managing state pension dollars to act prudently and in the best interests of state employees
3 whose retirement savings they are charged with managing.

4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
5 does hereby urge and request the boards of trustees of the state retirement systems to conduct
6 a prudent, risk-based review of existing investments in securities and other financial
7 instruments of businesses domiciled in China or otherwise subject to the control of the
8 Chinese government, Chinese military, or the Chinese Communist Party for the purpose of
9 identifying and recommending appropriate divestment of such holdings, and further requests
10 the systems to study and make recommendations regarding refraining from any future
11 investments in such companies.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the boards of the Louisiana State Employees'
13 Retirement System, the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana, the Louisiana School
14 Employees' Retirement System, and the Louisiana State Police Retirement System shall
15 identify and quantify current holdings to determine exposure to China-connected
16 investments, meaning investments in companies or entities domiciled in China or subject to
17 the control of the Chinese government, Chinese military, or the Chinese Communist Party;
18 evaluate the material financial and operational risks associated with such exposure; examine
19 divestment in a reasonable, orderly, and prudent manner from such investments; and identify
20 internal controls that would prohibit future investments in Chinese entities or China-
21 connected investments.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the executive director of each of the state
23 retirement system boards shall submit a report to the Senate Retirement Committee by
24 December 1, 2026, regarding any current holdings in companies or entities domiciled in
25 China or subject to the control of the Chinese government, Chinese military, or the Chinese
26 Communist Party.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report shall include all of the following:

28 (1) The name of each issuer and the type of security or investment vehicle.

29 (2) The market value of the holding as of a date certain.

30 (3) The percentage of the system's portfolio represented by each such holdings.

