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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 169

BY SENATOR MILLS

HOMELAND SECURITY. Requests the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness to study the potential threats and consequences of an electromagnetic pulse (EMP).

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency
3 Preparedness to study the potential threats and consequences of an electromagnetic
4 pulse.

5 WHEREAS, recent reports issued on behalf of the Federal Energy Regulatory
6 Commission, Department of Energy, and Department of Homeland Security concluded that
7 the nation's power grid is vulnerable to the effects of an electromagnetic pulse (EMP), a
8 sudden burst of electromagnetic radiation resulting from a natural or manmade event; and

9 WHEREAS, an EMP can have catastrophic effects, including causing outages to
10 major portions of the US power grid possibly lasting for months or longer; and

11 WHEREAS, EMP threats have the potential to cause wide-scale, long-term losses
12 with devastating economic impacts.

13 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
14 does hereby urge and request the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency
15 Preparedness to pursue efforts to advance our knowledge and understanding of the potential
16 threats and consequences of an EMP on Louisiana.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by J. Ashley Mitchell.

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