

1 WHEREAS, these improvements to the portion of Highway 35 south of Rayne to
2 Highway 92 would support economic growth and hurricane evacuation and improve the
3 quality of life of residents along this stretch of highway.

4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
5 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request that the Department of Transportation
6 and Development conduct a study of Louisiana Highway 35, south of Rayne to Louisiana
7 Highway 92, and make recommendations regarding a hurricane evacuation route and
8 economic development.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study by the Department of Transportation
10 and Development should consider assessments of the following: (1) all safe and practical
11 modes of transportation available for evacuations, including contraflow; (2) the extent to
12 which evacuation plans are coordinated with adjoining jurisdictions; (3) methods of
13 communicating evacuation plans and preparing citizens in advance of evacuations; (4)
14 methods of coordinating communication with evacuees during plan execution; (5) the
15 availability of food, water, restrooms, fueling stations, and shelter opportunities along
16 evacuation routes; (6) the time required to evacuate under the plan; and (7) methods for
17 increasing economic development along the portion of Louisiana Highway 35, south of
18 Rayne, Louisiana to Louisiana Highway 92.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and
20 Development shall make a written report to the Louisiana House of Representatives detailing
21 their findings no later than January 1, 2016.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
23 secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

DIGEST

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Urges and requests the Dept. of Transportation and Development to conduct a study and make recommendations relative to a hurricane evacuation route for and economic development of La. Highway 35 south of Rayne to La. Highway 92. Requires the department to make a written report to the La. House of Representatives no later than Jan. 1, 2016.