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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRY

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LEGISLATIVE BUDG CONTROL: Directs the Legislative Budgetary Control Council to review the compensation of legislative assistants and to establish a salary schedule for legislative assistants that is competitive with the marketplace

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To direct the Legislative Budgetary Control Council to review the compensation of
3	legislative assistants and to establish a salary schedule for legislative assistants that
4	is competitive with the marketplace in accordance with R.S. 24:31.5.
5	WHEREAS, during the 2008 Regular Session of the Legislature, then Speaker of the
6	House of Representatives, Representative Jim Tucker, introduced legislation, House Bill No.
7	1063, to address the issue of the compensation of legislative assistants; and
8	WHEREAS, during his presentation of the legislation, Speaker Tucker conveyed that
9	many members had a difficult time finding qualified legislative assistants to work for them
10	and the legislature due to the existing salary schedule that was established in law; and
11	WHEREAS, Speaker Tucker further indicated during his presentation that one of the
12	purposes of his legislation was to take the salary schedule for legislative assistants out of the
13	statutes and turn it over to the Legislative Budgetary Control Council so that in the future
14	the legislature would have greater flexibility to revise legislative assistant salaries as
15	necessary; and
16	WHEREAS, Act No. 838 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Legislature, which
17	directed the Legislative Budgetary Control Council to establish and provide for the
18	implementation of a salary schedule for legislative assistants, to provide a mechanism to
19	factor in other governmental experience of a legislative assistant, and authorized the council

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1 to make adjustments to the salary schedule as necessary, became effective on July 1, 2008;

2 and

- 3 WHEREAS, despite the statutory requirement for the Legislative Budgetary Control
- 4 Council to establish a salary schedule for legislative assistants and the statutory authority to
- 5 adjust it as necessary, many legislators continue to have a difficult time finding qualified
- 6 legislative assistants to work for them and the legislature due to the existing salary
- 7 allotments available to them for that purpose.
- 8 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
- 9 direct the Legislative Budgetary Control Council to review the compensation of legislative
- assistants and to establish a salary schedule for legislative assistants that is competitive with
- the marketplace in accordance with R.S. 24:31.5 no later than April 12, 2021.

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Directs the Legislative Budgetary Control Council to review the compensation of legislative assistants and to establish a salary schedule for legislative assistants that is competitive with the marketplace in accordance with <u>present law</u> (R.S. 24:31.5) no later than April 12, 2021.