

1 WHEREAS, the cost of installing a station is comparable, if not less expensive, than
2 the cost of installing a water fountain; and

3 WHEREAS, the Lafayette Parish school system recently took the initiative to install
4 water bottle filling stations in all schools scheduled to undergo renovations or construction;
5 other school systems throughout Louisiana are currently considering similar moves.

6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
7 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the state Department of Education and
8 the Louisiana Department of Health to identify solutions and resources necessary to install
9 water bottle filling stations during new construction and renovation projects at public
10 elementary and secondary schools.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state Department of Education and the
12 Louisiana Department of Health shall conduct an analysis of the cost of installing water
13 bottle filling stations versus traditional water fountains, including but not limited to the cost
14 of new construction and retrofitting existing water fountains into water bottle filling stations
15 and include such analysis in a report to be submitted to the House Committee on Education
16 and House Committee on Health and Welfare no later than 60 days prior to the 2021 Regular
17 Session.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
19 to the state superintendent of education and the secretary of the Louisiana Department of
20 Health.

DIGEST

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Requests the Dept. of Education and Dept. of Health to report to the legislature, no later than 60 days prior to the 2021 R.S., relative to water bottle filling stations in public schools.