

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 99

BY REPRESENTATIVE JEFFERSON

EDUCATION: Requests each member of the Louisiana House of Representatives to voluntarily serve as a substitute teacher in a public school

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request members of the Louisiana House of Representatives to volunteer to  
3 substitute teach in a public school.

4 WHEREAS, the Constitution of Louisiana states that the goal of the public  
5 educational system is to provide learning environments and experiences, at all stages of  
6 human development, that are humane, just, and designed to promote excellence in order that  
7 every individual may be afforded an equal opportunity to develop to his full potential; and

8 WHEREAS, the constitution further provides that the legislature shall provide for the  
9 education of the people of the state and shall establish and maintain a public educational  
10 system; and

11 WHEREAS, the public schools and teachers of this state are of vital importance to  
12 its citizens; and

13 WHEREAS, the decisions of the legislature significantly impact and determine the  
14 quality of our public schools and teachers; and

15 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that all House members have first-hand knowledge of  
16 and experience with public schools, teachers, and classrooms in order to inform the policy  
17 decisions that impact and shape public education in this state; and

18 WHEREAS, one way to ensure this knowledge and experience is for House members  
19 to substitute teach in a public school classroom; and

20 WHEREAS, engaging in substitute teaching will also enable students, teachers, and  
21 administrators to better know and communicate with their state representatives; and

1           WHEREAS, this concept was introduced in House Concurrent Resolution No. 117  
2 of the 2004 Regular Session, and as the state continues to work toward strengthening our  
3 educational system, it is time to revisit this important initiative; and

4           WHEREAS, it is fitting that members of the House have an immersive experience  
5 in education by volunteering as substitute teachers in the effort to fulfill the state's  
6 constitutional duty of affording every student an equal opportunity to develop to his full  
7 potential.

8           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
9 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request all of its members to volunteer to  
10 substitute teach in a public elementary or secondary school of this state.

11           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all members making the commitment to engage  
12 in this initiative are further urged and requested to report in writing to their constituents and  
13 colleagues as to the knowledge and experiences gained through their participation.

14           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted  
15 to each House member to inform them of the program and to encourage their participation.

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#### DIGEST

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