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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 233

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS

VACCINES/VACCINATION: Urges and requests the Louisiana Department of Health to promote awareness of compensation programs for COVID-19 vaccine injuries

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to provide information about the  
3 available compensation programs for potential COVID-19 vaccine injuries to  
4 Louisiana residents.

5 WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Louisiana Department of Health to protect and  
6 promote health and to ensure access to medical, preventive, and rehabilitative services for  
7 all residents of this state; and

8 WHEREAS, the department has taken initiative in making all residents of this state  
9 aware of vaccination recommendations and eligibility; and

10 WHEREAS, federal law has two distinct compensation regimes that may compensate  
11 individuals harmed by adverse reactions to vaccines; and

12 WHEREAS, the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP) may  
13 provide compensation for injuries or deaths associated with most vaccines routinely  
14 administered in the United States; and

15 WHEREAS, during certain public health emergencies, the Countermeasures Injury  
16 Compensation Program (CICP) may provide compensation for injuries and deaths resulting  
17 from the administration of "covered countermeasures" under the Public Readiness and  
18 Emergency Preparedness Act (PREP Act), which may include vaccines; and

19 WHEREAS, according to the Congressional Research Service's publication entitled,  
20 "Compensation Programs for Potential COVID-19 Vaccine Injuries", there are specific  
21 procedures for obtaining compensation for vaccination injuries.

1           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
2 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health  
3 to provide information about the available compensation programs for potential COVID-19  
4 vaccine injuries to Louisiana residents.

5           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
6 secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health.

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DIGEST

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