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HOUSE BILL NO. 372

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

FEDERAL MANDATES: Provides relative to mandates, requirements, recommendations,  
instructions, or guidance from federal or international organizations

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 49:20, relative to the jurisdiction of certain federal and international  
3 organizations; to disallow the exercise of jurisdiction by the United States Centers  
4 for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization; to prevent  
5 the use of communications from certain federal and international organizations as a  
6 basis for action in the state of Louisiana; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 49:20 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §20. Jurisdiction of certain federal and international organizations

10 To the full extent permitted by state law, the Constitution of Louisiana, and  
11 the Constitution of the United States, the United States Centers for Disease Control  
12 and Prevention and the World Health Organization shall have no jurisdiction in this  
13 state. Any requirements, mandates, recommendations, instructions, or guidance  
14 provided by either organization shall not be used in this state to justify any mask,  
15 vaccine, or medical testing requirements and shall have no force or effect in this  
16 state.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides that the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization do not have jurisdiction in this state.

Proposed law provides that the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) do not have jurisdiction in this state.

Proposed law further provides that no mandates, recommendations, instructions, or guidance from the CDC and WHO shall be used to justify any mask, vaccine, or medical testing requirements in this state.

(Adds R.S. 49:20)