

2024 Regular Session

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18

BY SENATOR HODGES

ROADS/HIGHWAYS. To study the feasibility of widening a certain portion of Louisiana Highway 16 to four lanes.

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to review the  
3 feasibility of widening Louisiana Highway 16 to four lanes from Louisiana Highway  
4 1019 to Louisiana Highway 1022.

5 WHEREAS, the World Population Review reported Livingston Parish's population  
6 increased eleven out of the twelve years from 2010 to 2022, and experienced its largest  
7 annual population increase of more than two percent between 2020 and 2021; and

8 WHEREAS, Denham Springs is currently growing at an accelerated rate and its  
9 population has increased since the most recent census; and

10 WHEREAS, state and local governments strive to protect motorists and enhance  
11 safety on roads, streets, and highways of the state, particularly those which experience an  
12 increased volume of traffic; and

13 WHEREAS, Louisiana Highway 16 decreases from four lanes to two lanes on the  
14 north side of the overpass of Louisiana Highway 1019; and

15 WHEREAS, Louisiana Highway 16 runs north to south and is adjacent to Live Oak  
16 High School and the Live Oak Sports Complex, as well as providing a throughway to North  
17 Live Oak Elementary School; and

18 WHEREAS, this section of highway experiences heavy traffic congestion for the city

1 and parish and is further exacerbated by motorists attempting to make left hand turns from  
2 Louisiana Highway 16; and

3 WHEREAS, Louisiana Highway 16 is heavily traveled and widening the highway  
4 from two lanes to four lanes from Louisiana Highway 1019 to Louisiana Highway 1022 may  
5 alleviate traffic congestion and provide easier and safer travel to motorists.

6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
7 urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to review the feasibility  
8 of widening Louisiana Highway 16 from two lanes to four lanes from Louisiana Highway  
9 1019 to Louisiana Highway 1022 in Livingston Parish.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and  
11 Development shall consider traffic patterns, traffic volume, traffic speed, road features  
12 including curves and visibility, and whether fewer forms of traffic control would be  
13 effective.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and  
15 Development shall report its findings to the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways  
16 and Public Works, the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works,  
17 the senator representing Senate District 13, and the Poynter Legislative Research Library  
18 before February 1, 2025.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
20 secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Archana D. Cadge.

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Requests the Department of Transportation and Development to review the feasibility of  
widening Louisiana Highway 16 to four lanes from Louisiana Highway 1019 to Louisiana  
Highway 1022.