

2024 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 60

BY SENATOR HENSGENS

SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH. Recognizes Wednesday, April 24, 2024, as Louisiana Renewable Energy Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To designate Wednesday, April 24, 2024, as Louisiana Renewable Energy Day at the
3 Louisiana State Capitol.

4 WHEREAS, Louisiana boasts impressive supplies of onshore and offshore energy
5 resources; and

6 WHEREAS, Louisiana's natural resources have provided thousands of jobs and
7 billions of dollars in economic development; and

8 WHEREAS, according to the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Louisiana's rich
9 history and expertise in energy development will pave the way for new emerging industries;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, solar energy has become increasingly affordable and efficient in recent
12 years, and can provide significant economic and environmental benefits to our state; and

13 WHEREAS, according to the Solar Energy Industries Association, Louisiana's solar
14 energy resources are expected to grow by more than ten-fold over the next few years; and

15 WHEREAS, solar growth in Louisiana could bring over four billion dollars in
16 economic development and over four thousand construction jobs; and

17 WHEREAS, wind energy is an abundant and growing source of renewable energy
18 that can create jobs and economic opportunities in Louisiana; and

1 WHEREAS, Louisiana's maritime and oil and gas industries were instrumental in
2 building the United States' first offshore wind farm; and

3 WHEREAS, battery storage technology is improving rapidly and can play a critical
4 role in integrating renewable energy sources into our electric grid and creating new jobs in
5 the energy sector; and

6 WHEREAS, hydrogen is a versatile energy carrier that can be produced from
7 renewable sources and used in a variety of applications, including transportation and
8 industrial processes, creating new economic opportunities in Louisiana; and

9 WHEREAS, the potential for growth in the clean hydrogen sector is anticipated to
10 be significant in Louisiana due to the state's existing infrastructure and expertise, and
11 development of the Hydrogen Arkansas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma (HALO) Hydrogen Hub;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, the vast majority of new power plant facilities proposed in Louisiana
14 are renewable energy projects across fifty parishes; and

15 WHEREAS, the development of renewable energy and clean energy jobs can create
16 good-paying jobs and support local economies in Louisiana, particularly in rural and coastal
17 areas that have been hard hit by economic challenges; and

18 WHEREAS, supporting renewable energy and clean energy jobs can help diversify
19 our state's economy and position Louisiana as a leader in the transition to a clean energy
20 future; and

21 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper for the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana to
22 recognize Louisiana Renewable Energy Day.

23 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
24 does hereby recognize Wednesday, April 24, 2024, as Louisiana Renewable Energy Day at
25 the Louisiana State Capitol.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Tyler S. McCloud.

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