

1 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Judicial College advises towns with a mayor's court to
2 appoint someone other than the mayor to act as judge if court collections account for at least
3 ten percent of their overall revenue; and

4 WHEREAS, in 2022, of the three hundred one municipalities and two combined
5 city-parish governments required to file audits, ninety-one of the municipalities with a
6 mayor's court collected ten percent or more of their revenue through fines and forfeitures in
7 a single year.

8 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
9 authorize and request the House Committee on Judiciary and the Senate Committee on
10 Judiciary B to meet and function as a joint legislative committee to study the feasibility and
11 practicality of mayor's courts and to report the findings of the joint committee to the
12 legislature prior to the convening of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature of
13 Louisiana.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that one print copy and one electronic copy of any
15 report produced pursuant to this Resolution to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research
16 Library as required by R.S. 24:772.

DIGEST

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Requests a study of the feasibility and practicality of mayor's courts.