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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11

BY SENATOR REESE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to amend federal law to allow states to provide for the consolidation of federally funded workforce development services with federally funded social safety net services.

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana desires to provide the most streamlined and consolidated customer service for those seeking work, unemployment benefits, or social safety net programs; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Labor and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) currently restrict the consolidation of federally funded employment and job training services with other federally funded services, such as safety net programs; and

WHEREAS, in Louisiana, federally funded employment services and workforce development services are provided by local workforce development boards and the Louisiana Workforce Commission, and federally funded social services are provided by the Louisiana Department of Health; and

WHEREAS, Louisianians seeking assistance with employment and job training services, as well as social safety net programs, are forced to seek these services at more than one location of state and local government agencies, with little to no consolidation or coordination of such services; and

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana desires to develop a consolidation plan for the delivery of workforce development and social services to its citizens in order to provide a broader and more streamlined delivery of services to those seeking these services.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the United States Congress to amend federal law to allow states to provide for the consolidation of federally funded workforce development services with federally funded social safety net programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES