

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 253

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

A RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the continuation of the Safe Alternatives to Segregation Task Force established by House Resolution No. 127 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature, to provide for the membership, powers, and duties of the task force, and to require the task force to report its findings.

WHEREAS, in the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature, the Safe Alternatives to Segregation Task Force was established to review and receive information regarding the current regulations and policies of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections on the use of segregation and safe alternatives to segregation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to House Resolution No. 127 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature, the task force began its work in November 2021, and based on the information, presentations, and subcommittee meetings with and from various stakeholders, the task force is working to finalize its report to the Legislature prior to June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, based on the work of the task force and its subcommittees, the Department of Public Safety and Corrections published revisions to the Disciplinary Matrix and Rulebook; and

WHEREAS, the task force recommends that legislation be introduced in the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature to continue the work of the task force related to its original scope.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby authorize and direct the continuation of the Safe Alternatives to Segregation Task Force established by House Resolution No. 127 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the membership and duties shall continue as provided in House Resolution No. 196 of the 2023 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the scope of work and mission of the task force set forth in House Resolution No. 127 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature is continued in order to recommend any legislation or funds necessary in the budget for the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the author of House Resolution No. 127 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature or the Louisiana Stop Solitary Coalition, or both, shall provide staff support to the commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force may request and collect relevant and necessary data, as well as any information to accomplish its purposes from state and local governmental agencies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the entities from which such information and data is requested may, to the extent feasible, provide such information and data to the task force at no cost.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall prepare and submit a report of its findings and policy recommendations to the governor and the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana prior to January 31, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to each of the task force members and the appointing entities provided in House Resolution No. 196 of the 2023 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Safe Alternatives to Segregation Task Force shall submit one print copy and one electronic copy of any report produced pursuant to this Resolution to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library as required by R.S. 24:772.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES