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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 143

BY SENATOR BARROW

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES. Requests the Senate Select Committee on Women and Children to study a parent's right to equal custodial periods with their child.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To urge and request the Select Committee on Women and Children of the Senate to study
3	a parent's right to equal custodial periods with their child.
4	WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of a child to have frequent and continuing
5	contact with both parents; and
6	WHEREAS, both parents should have equal custodial periods with their children if
7	it is feasible; and
8	WHEREAS, developing, establishing, and implementing programs designed to
9	provide healthy and equal custodial periods for both parents would be in the best interest of
10	the child; and
11	WHEREAS, custodial time with a child has been used as an opportunity for a parent
12	to harass or alienate the other parent, or interfere with an implementation of custody or
13	visitation court order; and
14	WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 267 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature
15	provides for the traumatic child abuser program with the goal of reunification of a child with
16	the parent who has been alienated, and to address the child's trauma from the alienation; and
17	WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 267 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature
18	provides terms, conditions and procedures for implementation of the program; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 267 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature
provides with respect to attendance and participation in the program relative to child custody
proceedings.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
does hereby urge and request the Select Committee on Women and Children of the Senate
to study a parent's right to equal custodial periods with their child, which shall include the
provisions of Senate Bill No. 267 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall invite the following persons
to appear before the committee to provide testimony relative to the study:
(1) A representative from Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services.
(2) A representative from Louisiana Children's Cabinet.
(3) A representative from Louisiana Court Appointed Special Advocates.
(4) A representative from Louisiana Fathers On a Mission.
(5) A representative from Louisiana Alliance of Children's Advocacy Centers.
(6) A representative from Louisiana Juvenile and Family Court Judges Association.
(7) A representative from Louisiana District Attorney's Association.
(8) A representative from Louisiana District Judges Association.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall report its findings and make
recommendations to the Senate Committee on Judiciary A and the president of the Senate
no later than March 1, 2025.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Women and Children.
The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Hanna Gettys.

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