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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 71

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS

AIRCRAFT/AIRPORTS: Memorializes Congress to consider eliminating the Transportation Security Administration at airports and shift the responsibility to airline employees

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To memorialize the United States Congress to consider eliminating the Transportation
3 Security Administration (TSA) at airports and shift the responsibility to airline
4 employees.

5 WHEREAS, Louisiana recognizes the importance of transportation security in the
6 United States and that the TSA was originally created to protect the nations's transportation
7 system, with a focus on airport security; and

8 WHEREAS, the TSA is the federal agency tasked with overseeing safety measures
9 for mass transportation in the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, the TSA is known for performing security checks on people traveling
11 through a United States airport; and

12 WHEREAS, Louisiana does not wish to abolish safety measures or eliminate the
13 protection of passengers but instead simply to enforce procedures; and

14 WHEREAS, current security measures are largely ineffective and have faced scrutiny
15 based on violations of rights and limited actual safety measures for American travelers; and

16 WHEREAS, the TSA should be eliminated because it is ineffective, intrusive, and
17 costly; and

18 WHEREAS, the TSA has proven itself to be ineffective as it has failed to catch
19 explosives, drugs, and weapons at security checks; and

1 WHEREAS, in 2015, an internal TSA probe found that undercover investigators
2 successfully brought mock explosives or banned weapons through security checkpoints in
3 ninety-five percent of trials; and

4 WHEREAS, TSA agents have been caught working together to steal belongings from
5 passengers' bags as they went through security and such actions threaten the civil liberties
6 of Americans; and

7 WHEREAS, the Israeli security model employs a more intelligence driven, behavior
8 based and less invasive approach to security; and

9 WHEREAS, airline employees are more than capable of performing security checks
10 without a federal agency and with respect for passengers and their belongings; and

11 WHEREAS, the TSA was formed to improve transportation security but has done
12 nothing more than make air travel more expensive and time consuming; and

13 WHEREAS, the TSA is uncommon worldwide as other countries have their own
14 airport security agencies that are controlled at the state or local level; and

15 WHEREAS, although TSA agents are trained to perform security checks, and
16 security remains priority, training could be provided for airline employees to perform the
17 same functions; and

18 WHEREAS, airport staff would benefit travelers as they are familiar with specific
19 features of the airport, which can help direct passengers to the right gate, navigate crowded
20 areas, or find specific amenities while performing trusted and effective security checks.

21 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
22 memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to eliminate
23 the Transportation Administration Security at airports and shift the responsibility to airline
24 employees.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
26 presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the
27 United States of America and to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation.

DIGEST

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