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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 145

BY REPRESENTATIVE TIM BURNS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request all members of city, parish, and other local public school boards to voluntarily substitute teach in a public elementary or secondary school located in their respective school systems.

WHEREAS, the public schools and teachers of this state are of vital importance to its citizens, legislators, and elected officials, including local school board members; and

WHEREAS, the decisions of local school board members significantly impact and determine the quality of our public schools and teachers in many ways; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable that all local school board members have first-hand knowledge of and experience with our public schools, both elementary and secondary, teachers, and their classrooms to adequately make the policy decisions that impact and shape public education in this state; and

WHEREAS, one way to ensure this knowledge and experience is for these officials in public leadership positions to actually substitute teach in the classrooms of our public schools each year; and

WHEREAS, substitute teaching by school board members will also promote and enable public school students, teachers, and administrators to better know and communicate with these locally elected public officials.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request all members of city, parish, and other local public school boards to voluntarily substitute teach in a public elementary or secondary school located in their respective school systems for at least one full school day each year of their term in office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the president of the Louisiana School Boards Association who shall be responsible for disseminating copies of this Resolution to the members of each city, parish, and other local public school board.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE