

1 terms and conditions for such service delivery to be set forth in cooperative endeavor
2 agreements among the state, LSU, and private providers; and

3 WHEREAS, the state, LSU, and Lake Charles Memorial Hospital intend to enter into
4 a cooperative endeavor agreement to formalize a collaboration to improve access to health
5 care in the Lake Charles area; and

6 WHEREAS, the cooperative endeavor agreement includes a provision to cease
7 inpatient care and emergency room services at the W.O. Moss Medical Center in Lake
8 Charles, Louisiana, which is currently operated by LSU; and

9 WHEREAS, the W.O. Moss Medical Center currently maintains and operates ten
10 hospital beds for inpatient care and an active emergency room; and

11 WHEREAS, the legislature recognizes the need to maintain and continue proper
12 health care in the Lake Charles area, including inpatient and emergency care; and

13 WHEREAS, the legislature recognizes, and the cooperative endeavor agreement will
14 provide, that the inpatient and emergency care currently provided at the W.O. Moss Medical
15 Center will be provided by the Lake Charles Memorial Hospital; and

16 WHEREAS, the cooperative endeavor agreement will provide that Lake Charles
17 Memorial Hospital build a new medical facility adjacent to the W.O. Moss Medical Center
18 that, when completed, will house an outpatient clinic; and

19 WHEREAS, the outpatient services currently provided at the W.O. Moss Medical
20 Center will be transferred to the new outpatient clinic built adjacent to the W.O. Moss
21 Medical Center; and

22 WHEREAS, the legislature recognizes that the closure of the inpatient beds and the
23 emergency room at W.O. Moss Medical Center requires authorization by the legislature
24 through a concurrent resolution pursuant to R.S. 17:1519.3.

25 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
26 endorse and express support of the actions by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State
27 University and Agricultural and Mechanical College with regard to the delivery of health
28 care services in the Lake Charles region.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
30 endorse and support the ongoing and strategic collaboration among the Board of Supervisors

1 of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, the state, and Lake
2 Charles Memorial Hospital to close the inpatient beds and emergency room at W.O. Moss
3 Medical Center.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution constitutes legislative approval,
5 in accordance with the requirements of R.S. 17:1519.3, for the closure of the inpatient beds
6 and emergency room at W.O. Moss Medical Center.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
8 governor, the commissioner of administration, the secretary of the Department of Health and
9 Hospitals, and the chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and
10 Agricultural and Mechanical College.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christopher D. Adams.

DIGEST

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Expresses support of and provides authority for actions by the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College for the strategic collaboration among the division of administration, the Department of Health and Hospitals, and the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College in planning for a new model of health care delivery in the Lake Charles region.