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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 202

BY SENATORS CHABERT AND MORRELL

COMMITTEE STUDIES. Requests the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to study the feasibility of attracting an existing Major League Soccer franchise or expansion team to locate in Louisiana.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and
3 International Affairs to study the feasibility of attracting an existing Major League
4 Soccer franchise or expansion team to locate in Louisiana.

5 WHEREAS, Major League Soccer is a growing and dynamic professional sports
6 association that conducts soccer at its highest level in North America; and

7 WHEREAS, Major League Soccer does not currently have any franchises located in
8 the southeastern section of the United States; and

9 WHEREAS, Louisiana has a thriving and growing youth soccer movement with an
10 estimated forty thousand participants on an annual basis; and

11 WHEREAS, Louisiana has a strong tradition of supporting its sports teams; and

12 WHEREAS, the placement of an existing Major League Soccer franchise or
13 expansion team in Louisiana would create jobs and attract soccer enthusiasts from across the
14 nation to Louisiana.

15 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana
16 does hereby urge and request the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and
17 International Affairs to study the feasibility of attracting an existing Major League Soccer
18 franchise or expansion team to locate in Louisiana.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall submit a written report of
2 its findings together with any recommendations for legislation, to the Senate no later than
3 February 1, 2014.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

DIGEST

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