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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 66

BY REPRESENTATIVE FRANKLIN

TRAFFIC: Urges and requests the Department of Transportation and Development to conduct a traffic study at the United States 171-Moeling Street intersection in Calcasieu Parish

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to conduct a traffic
3 study at the intersection of United States Highway 171 North, known locally as
4 Martin Luther King Highway, and Moeling Street in Calcasieu Parish.

5 WHEREAS, Calcasieu Parish has been experiencing an increase in vehicular traffic
6 at the intersection of United States Highway 171 North and Moeling Street; and

7 WHEREAS, it is important that state and local governments protect the motoring
8 public on all roads, particularly the roads and highways that experience high volumes of
9 traffic; and

10 WHEREAS, United States Highway 171 is a frequently traveled roadway in
11 Calcasieu Parish that runs north to south and Moeling Street is a busy roadway that runs east
12 to west; and

13 WHEREAS, right before this intersection, there is an overpass at the intersection of
14 United States Highway 171 and Interstate 10; and

15 WHEREAS, as soon as motorists cross over the overpass in the north bound lane
16 they approach traffic in the right lane to exit onto Moeling Street; and

17 WHEREAS, traffic attempting to exit United States Highway 171 onto Moeling
18 Street in the north bound lane has become so static that it has caused several accidents with
19 motorists who are crossing over the United States Highway 171 and Interstate 10
20 intersection immediately approaching the Moeling Street exit; and

1 WHEREAS, the exit to get onto Moeling Street from United States Highway 171
2 North has become so backed up that motorists are left no resort but to drive up to the next
3 two exits and turn south to get back to Moeling Street; and

4 WHEREAS, an additional exiting lane and turning lane may prove valuable in
5 protecting lives and decreasing the accident rate at this intersection.

6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
7 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Transportation and
8 Development to conduct a traffic study of the intersection of United States Highway 171,
9 locally known as Martin Luther King Highway, and Moeling Street in Calcasieu Parish to
10 determine the need for an additional exiting and turning lane.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and
12 Development shall report its findings to the House Committee on Transportation, Highways,
13 and Public Works by February 1, 2015.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
15 secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

DIGEST

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