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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 95

BY REPRESENTATIVE STUART BISHOP

CONGRESS: Memorializes congress to expand the Americans with Disabilities Act to require arm chairs

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to require
places of public accommodation and commercial facilities be equipped for persons
who need assistance rising from the seated position.
WHEREAS, Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C.
12181) requires places of public accommodation and commercial facilities to be designed,
constructed, and altered in compliance with the accessibility standards established by federal
regulation; and
WHEREAS, as our population ages and our veterans return home from overseas,
there is a growing population who are unable to rise from the seated position without
physical hands-on assistance from others, including strangers; and
WHEREAS, the need to require assistance from others to complete the task of rising
from a seated position robs persons of their independence and dignity; and
WHEREAS, if seating accommodations were to be equipped with raised arms or
parts from which a person could push when rising then this would eliminate the need for
persons to obtain assistance from others.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
memorialize the United States Congress to amend the Americans with Disabilities Act of
1990 (42 U.S.C. 12181) or to take such actions as are necessary to require that places of
public accommodation and commercial facilities be equipped with seating for persons who
are unable to rise from a seated position without assistance.

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

DIGEST

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