

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 163

BY REPRESENTATIVE REYNOLDS

COMMENDATIONS: Commends the La. Crawfish Promotion and Research Board for its contributions to the education of the children of the state

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend the Louisiana Crawfish Promotion and Research Board for its contributions
3 to the education of the children of Louisiana.

4 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Crawfish Promotion and Research Board was created in
5 1983 by the legislature to provide a voluntary method of raising revenues to be used for the
6 purpose of developing markets for crawfish and for funding research to further the Louisiana
7 crawfish industry; and

8 WHEREAS, the combined annual crawfish yield in Louisiana ranges from one
9 hundred twenty million to one hundred fifty million pounds, an impact on the state's
10 economy of more than three hundred million dollars each year that provides direct and
11 indirect employment in the crawfish industry for more than seven thousand persons; and

12 WHEREAS, in addition to performing its official duties over the past three decades,
13 the board has made the children of Louisiana a priority and makes special efforts on behalf
14 of their education; and

15 WHEREAS, the board financed the printing and binding of more than one hundred
16 books, housed in the Louisiana section of the Louisiana State Library, all of which were
17 written and illustrated by Louisiana students, and paid for many of them to be placed online
18 where they are free and accessible by the public; and

19 WHEREAS, there are comprehensive questions at the end of each book for teachers
20 to use for assessment, and the books are being enjoyed in schools throughout Louisiana; and

1 WHEREAS, the board has sponsored and financed performances promoting literacy
2 throughout Louisiana and children's literacy tents at festivals held by organizations such as
3 Louisiana Public Broadcasting and Loyola University upon its centennial celebration; and

4 WHEREAS, the board also financed the publication and printing of approximately
5 fourteen thousand free coloring books promoting both the state and literacy, which are given
6 to children after touring the Louisiana State Museum; and

7 WHEREAS, in addition, the board is financing and distributing the *Crawfish Tales*
8 book series; elementary school libraries in approximately thirty parishes have received these
9 books, and the board's goal is to place the book series in every elementary school library in
10 every parish; and

11 WHEREAS, the contribution of a portion of every dollar spent purchasing Louisiana
12 crawfish goes toward the education of Louisiana's children, which clearly demonstrates how
13 truly committed the Louisiana Crawfish Promotion and Research Board is to the state's
14 young people; and

15 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Crawfish Promotion and Research Board merits a special
16 measure of commendation for its dedication to the students of Louisiana.

17 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
18 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend the Louisiana Crawfish Promotion and
19 Research Board for its contributions to the education of the children of Louisiana.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
21 to the chairperson of the Louisiana Crawfish Promotion and Research Board.

DIGEST

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