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HOUSE STUDY REQUEST NO. 3

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ELDERLY: Requests a study and compilation of projected future demand and state expenditures for state-provided long-term support and services for the elderly and persons with adult-onset disabilities

A STUDY REQUEST

2	To the House Committee on Appropriations, or a subcommittee thereof, to study and
3	compile projected future demand and expenditures for state-provided long-term
4	support and services for the elderly and persons with adult-onset disabilities, and to
5	report its findings to the House of Representatives prior to the convening of the 2020
6	Regular Session.
7	WHEREAS, The state of Louisiana faces a serious challenge when it comes to
8	providing the long-term support and services needed as the Baby Boomers retire and age;
9	and
10	WHEREAS, the next generation of elderly is likely to need a higher volume and
11	broader range of long-term services than prior generations; and
12	WHEREAS, current state funding is inadequate to meet the current demand with
13	thousands of persons on waiting lists for support and services provided by the state of
14	Louisiana; and
15	WHEREAS, adding to the challenge, more non-elderly adults will also increase
16	demand for state-provided long-term support and services due to disabilities or chronic
17	illnesses; and
18	WHEREAS, determining the gap between the projected state-provided support and
19	service resources and future demand for resources by the state of Louisiana is essential to
20	effectively plan and address the fiscal implication of meeting that demand; and

1	WHEREAS, determining the size of the gap for state-provided support and services
2	resources requires estimating three separate trends: demographics of the population,
3	expected state service utilization, and the cost of services provided by the state of Louisiana.
4	THEREFORE, the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana requests
5	the House Committee on Appropriations, or a subcommittee thereof, to study and compile
6	projections on future demand and expenditures for state-provided long-term support and
7	services for the elderly and persons with adult-onset disabilities and to report its findings to
8	the House of Representatives prior to the convening of the 2020 Regular Session.
9	THEREFORE, the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana further
10	requests the House Committee on Appropriations, or a subcommittee thereof, to study and
11	compile at a minimum the following:
12	(1) Expected growth in the elderly and adult-onset disability population needing
13	state services between July 1, 2019, and July 1, 2030.
14	(2) Expected need for long-term support and services, provided by the state of
15	Louisiana, within the elderly and adult-onset disability population, based on trends in health
16	status.
17	(3) Expected state service usage, based on factors such as current trends in service
18	settings and future availability of informal caregiver support.
19	(4) Expected future costs by the state of Louisiana, including legally-mandated
20	increases in provider rates, legally-mandated provider costs such as overtime pay, and trends
21	in direct care wages and other costs.
22	THEREFORE, in undertaking the study, the House Committee on Appropriations,
23	or a subcommittee thereof, may seek input from various agencies and organizations and may
24	request research, documents, or data, conduct public hearings, and take any other actions it
25	deems necessary to carry out its functions.

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