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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11

BY SENATOR REESE

CONGRESS. Urges the Congress of the United States to amend federal law to allow states to provide for the consolidation of federally funded workforce development services with federally funded social safety net services.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1 2 To memorialize the United States Congress to amend federal law to allow states to provide for the consolidation of federally funded workforce development services with 3 federally funded social safety net services. 4 5 WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana desires to provide the most streamlined and consolidated customer service for those seeking work, unemployment benefits, or social 6 7 safety net programs; and 8 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Labor and the Workforce Innovation 9 and Opportunity Act (WIOA) currently restrict the consolidation of federally funded 10 employment and job training services with other federally funded services, such as safety 11 net programs; and WHEREAS, in Louisiana, federally funded employment services and workforce 12 13 development services are provided by local workforce development boards and the 14 Louisiana Workforce Commission, and federally funded social services are provided by the Louisiana Department of Health; and 15 16 WHEREAS, Louisianans seeking assistance with employment and job training 17 services, as well as social safety net programs, are forced to seek these services at more than 18 one location of state and local government agencies, with little to no consolidation or

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coordination of such services; and

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WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana desires to develop a consolidation plan for the delivery of workforce development and social services to its citizens in order to provide a broader and more streamlined delivery of services to those seeking these services.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the United States Congress to amend federal law to allow states to provide for the consolidation of federally funded workforce development services with federally funded social safety net programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Yoursheka D. Butler.

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