



1 the legislative process be comprehensible to the citizen; and

2 WHEREAS, the state capitol building in Baton Rouge is the primary location of the  
3 state government of Louisiana, and in order for a citizen of Louisiana to have access to the  
4 lawmaking activities of the state, he must have access to the various areas within the  
5 building where this process takes place and to the state capitol grounds; and

6 WHEREAS, since the implementation of the American with Disabilities Act, safety  
7 concerns and technology enhancements have altered the way the public can effectively  
8 communicate with legislators and fully participate in the legislative process; and

9 WHEREAS, the accessibility of any citizen to the state capitol is of particular  
10 concern and requires a strategic outlook to make sure the American with Disabilities Act of  
11 1990 is sufficiently implemented.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
13 create the State Capitol Accessibility Advisory Commission to study and make  
14 recommendations to the legislature for a strategic outlook to make sure the American with  
15 Disabilities Act of 1990, is sufficiently implemented with respect to the state capitol building  
16 and surrounding infrastructure.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Capitol Accessibility Advisory  
18 Commission shall consist of eleven commissioners, who shall serve without compensation,  
19 and who shall be composed of the following persons or their designees:

20 (1) The chair of the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs or her  
21 designee.

22 (2) The chairman of the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs or  
23 his designee.

24 (3) The chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Homeland Security.

25 (4) The chairman of the House Select Committee on Homeland Security.

26 (5) One member of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate.

27 (6) One member of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the  
28 House.

29 (7) One member consisting of a representative of the state fire marshal's ADA  
30 Enforcement Personnel as designated by the state fire marshal.

1 (8) One member consisting of the chair of the Development Disabilities Council or  
2 his designee.

3 (9) The chair of the Advocacy Center or his designee.

4 (10) The chair of the Louisiana Assistive Technology Access Network or his  
5 designee.

6 (11) The chair of the Statewide Independent Living Council or his designee.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the names of the persons who are designated or  
8 appointed to serve on the commission shall be submitted to the chair of the Senate  
9 Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs by August 1, 2016.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members shall convene no later than  
11 September 1, 2016, and the responsibilities of the commission shall include but not be  
12 limited to the development, in conjunction with any individuals and groups who are  
13 responsible for implementation of the ADA, of a system that ensures the American with  
14 Disabilities Act of 1990, is sufficiently implemented at the state capitol.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission shall present a report to the  
16 legislature concerning progress made in keeping with the mandatory language of the ADA  
17 by March 1, 2017.

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