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**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 199** 

BY REPRESENTATIVE AMEDEE

## A RESOLUTION

To urge and request collaboration among the leaders of the Louisiana School Boards

Association, the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents, the Louisiana

Federation of Teachers, the Louisiana Association of Educators, and the Associated

Professional Educators of Louisiana in ensuring equal access to membership in union

and nonunion professional organizations throughout the public schools and school

districts of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, Louisiana is a "right-to-work" state in which public employees are able to freely associate with professional organizations of their choosing, both union and nonunion in nature; and

WHEREAS, equal access to membership in union and nonunion professional organizations affirms Louisiana's values as a "right-to-work" state and supports employees in their rights to freely associate; and

WHEREAS, in several school districts, in the absence of a collective bargaining agreement, there have been reports of disparities in opportunities that employees have to become members of professional organizations with traditional union structures and those that are nonunion organizations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request collaboration among the leaders of the Louisiana School Boards Association, the Louisiana Association of School Superintendents, the Louisiana Federation of Teachers, the Louisiana Association of Educators, and the Associated Professional Educators of Louisiana in ensuring equal access to membership in union and nonunion professional organizations throughout the public schools and school districts of Louisiana.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the chief executive officer of each association named in this Resolution.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES