## 2019 Regular Session

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 104

#### BY REPRESENTATIVE IVEY

# LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS: Creates a joint committee to study the information technology systems used by legislative agencies

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION		
2	To create and provide with respect to a joint legislative committee to conduct a		
3	comprehensive and detailed analysis of information technology systems used by the		
4	agencies of the legislative branch of state government and to report its findings and		
5	recommendations to the legislature by January 13, 2020.		
6	WHEREAS, information technology systems, including the management and		
7	technical development of these systems, are essential for legislative agencies to perform the		
8	functions of the legislative branch of state government; and		
9	WHEREAS, the information processed and stored in its information technology		
10	systems is an important asset and responsibility of the legislature; and		
11	WHEREAS, information technology, both hardware and software, evolves very		
12	quickly and keeping it up to date may require significant funding for an enterprise as large		
13	as the legislative branch of state government, but failing to do so can also become a drain		
14	on the state fisc due to inefficiencies caused by slow or incompatible systems, social and		
15	economic costs of failures in older technology, and exposure to malicious attacks to which		
16	older technology is more vulnerable; and		
17	WHEREAS, interruption in the availability of information technology systems and		
18	services presents a risk to the continuity of the work of the legislative branch of state		
19	government; and		
20	WHEREAS, the information technology systems and services of legislative agencies		

operations, protection of information, long-term cost savings through efficiency, and
 availability of information to citizens of the state.

3 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 4 create a special joint legislative committee, composed of six members as hereinafter 5 provided, to conduct a comprehensive and detailed analysis of information technology 6 systems used by the agencies of the legislative branch of state government.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the joint committee shall be composed of three
members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House of
Representatives and three members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the speaker of the House of Representatives and
the president of the Senate shall appoint the members of the joint committee no later than
thirty days after adoption of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a member of the joint committee designated by the speaker of the House of Representatives shall call the first meeting of the joint committee no later than ten days after all of the members of the joint committee are appointed and shall preside until the joint committee selects a chairman and a vice chairman.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any member of the joint committee may examine an information technology system of a legislative agency and make inquiries of any employee or contractor of a legislative agency concerning such system, or designate one or more staff members of the joint committee to do so, in conducting the business of the joint committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the joint committee shall report its findings and
 recommendations by January 13, 2020.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report of the joint committee shall include 25 at a minimum the following information:

(1) A detailed description of each information technology system used by the
agencies in the legislative branch of state government, including without limitation the
estimated useful life of software and hardware included in the system and requirements to
support the system.

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(2) Identification of systems that are inefficient, recommendations for improvements of such inefficient systems, and potential costs and cost savings of such improvements. (3) Identification of points of risk of failure of aging systems, estimates of the social and economic impacts of any such failure, and potential costs and risk reductions gained by updating such systems. (4) Identification of risk of unauthorized access, loss or corruption of data, and exposure to malicious software, the severity of such risks, estimates of the social and economic impacts of any such attack, and potential costs and risk reductions gained by updating such systems. (5) Identification of sources of revenue that are dedicated to technology needs of legislative agencies. (6) Recommended priorities for upgrades considering all such costs, liabilities, and benefits. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report of the joint committee shall include findings for each agency within the legislative branch of state government and findings that are not agency-specific.

are not agency-specific.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report of the joint committee shall be
delivered to the legislature in accordance with R.S. 24:772 except that information in the
report that would be exempt from disclosure pursuant to R.S. 44:3.1 or another provision of
the Public Records Law shall be excised from the report submitted to the legislature and
delivered in a separate report to the House Select Committee on Homeland Security and the
Senate Select Committee on Homeland Security meeting, jointly or separately, in executive

23 session.

### DIGEST

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