



1 WHEREAS, noncompetition agreements may encourage retention and deter  
2 employed physicians from leaving their current practices; and

3 WHEREAS, according to a 2018 American Medical Association economic impact  
4 study, physicians bring economic prosperity to communities through more than one hundred  
5 thousand jobs, more than nineteen million dollars in economic activity, more than six  
6 hundred million dollars in state and local tax revenue, and nearly nine billion dollars in  
7 wages and benefits; and

8 WHEREAS, the interests on both sides of noncompetition agreements for physicians  
9 need to be better understood in order for legislators to make informed policy decisions  
10 regarding and regulate concerns arising from these types of restrictive agreements.

11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
12 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby authorize and direct the House Committee on  
13 Commerce and the House Committee on Health and Welfare, or a subcommittee composed  
14 of members of these committees, to meet and function as a joint committee to study various  
15 aspects of noncompetition agreements relative to physicians in this state and to report the  
16 findings of the joint committee to the elected members of the House of Representatives prior  
17 to the convening of the 2022 Regular Session of the legislature.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature  
19 of Louisiana further directs the joint committee to solicit input, information, data,  
20 recommendations, and advice from the following persons, agencies, and organizations in  
21 connection with the study called for in this Resolution:

- 22 (1) Louisiana Children's Medical Center.
- 23 (2) Louisiana Department of Health.
- 24 (3) Louisiana Hospital Association.
- 25 (4) Louisiana State Medical Society.
- 26 (5) Physicians currently employed by public universities in this state.
- 27 (6) Physicians currently practicing medicine in this state.
- 28 (7) Representatives from the Cardiovascular Institute of the South.
- 29 (8) Representatives from Ochsner Health.

- 1           (9)    Representatives from Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center and its
- 2                    affiliated campuses.
- 3           (10)   Representatives of physician-owned clinics in the state.
- 4           (11)   Representatives of Willis-Knighton Medical Center.
- 5           (12)   The Rural Hospital Coalition of Louisiana.
- 6           (13)   Louisiana Orthopaedic Association
- 7           (14)   Any persons, agencies, entities, or stakeholders that the joint committee
- 8                    deems necessary to fulfill its purposes.

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