To request the office of public health of the Louisiana Department of Health, in consultation with the Louisiana State Coroner's Association, the Louisiana Public Health Institute, the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, and the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice, to conduct a study on the current system of reporting deaths of individuals committed to the custody of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections and to the custody of a parish jail and the feasibility of periodic analysis of mortality in correctional facilities in Louisiana as a means of reducing carceral mortality, and to provide a report to the Legislature of Louisiana no later than February 1, 2024.

WHEREAS, as a condition of receiving federal grant assistance for law enforcement, the state is required to quarterly report deaths in parish prisons, state prisons, and private correctional institutions; and

WHEREAS, mortality statistics are an important health tool for understanding and addressing community health.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby request the office of public health of the Louisiana Department of Health, in consultation with the Louisiana State Coroner's Association, the Louisiana Public Health Institute, the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, and the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice, to...
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as a means of reducing carceral mortality.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the office of public health of the Louisiana
Department of Health, in consultation with the Louisiana State Coroner's Association, the
Louisiana Public Health Institute, the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, the
Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, and the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and
Administration of Criminal Justice, shall submit a report to the Louisiana Legislature no
later than February 1, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
assistant secretary of the office of public health of the Louisiana Department of Health, the
president of the Louisiana State Coroner's Association, the director of the Louisiana Public
Health Institute, the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, the
president of the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, and the executive director of the Louisiana
Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that one print copy and one electronic copy of any
report produced pursuant to this Resolution shall be submitted to the David R. Poynter
Legislative Research Library as required by R.S. 24:772.

DIGEST

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and to the custody of a parish jail and the feasibility of periodic analysis of mortality in
correctional facilities in La. as a means of reducing carceral mortality.
Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Make technical corrections.

2. Request the office of public health of the La. Dept. of Health to work in consultation with certain entities.

3. Remove Voice of the Experienced, Loyola University of New Orleans College of Law, the La. Stop Solitary Coalition, the Justice Collaborative, LLC, and the Formerly Incarcerated Transitions Clinic from the resolution.

4. Provide for a report to the legislature no later than Feb. 1, 2024.