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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to study the benefits

3 of clarifying the data law enforcement officers must collect during certain traffic

4 stops.

5 WHEREAS, law enforcement officers are currently required to collect certain data

6 during traffic stops, including race, to ensure transparency and accountability in traffic

7 enforcement; and

8 WHEREAS, the collection of additional demographic data, such as ethnicity, could

9 provide a more complete understanding of traffic stop patterns and assist in identifying

10 potential disparities in law enforcement practices; and

11 WHEREAS, incorporating ethnicity into data collection would help identify and

12 address issues of racial profiling and biased enforcement, ultimately enhancing

13 accountability, transparency, and public trust in law enforcement agencies; and

14 WHEREAS, evaluating the inclusion of ethnicity as a data point in traffic stop

15 records would ensure that data collection practices are comprehensive, consistent, and

16 capable of identifying trends or disparities that may require attention from policymakers; and

17 WHEREAS, public access to clearly reported and analyzed traffic stop data fosters

18 civic engagement and community oversight, further strengthening the relationship between

19 communities and the officers who serve them.

1           THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge  
2   and request the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to study the benefit of  
3   clarifying the data law enforcement officers must collect during certain traffic stops.  
4           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Safety and Corrections  
5   shall submit a report summarizing its findings, on the benefits of clarifying the data law  
6   enforcement officers must collect during certain traffic stops to the House and Senate  
7   Committees on Transportation, Highways and Public Works by August 1, 2026.  
8           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the  
9   secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections.

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DIGEST

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Urge and requests the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C) to study the benefit of clarifying the data law enforcement officers must collect during certain traffic stops. Requires the DPS&C to submit a report summarizing its findings to the House and Senate committees on transportation by Aug. 1, 2026.