

1 WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Law Institute is uniquely qualified to conduct such
2 a study and to provide recommendations based on thorough legal research and analysis.

3 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
4 authorize and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study the use and application of
5 the term "foreign" in state law as it pertains to banking institutions, pipeline operations and
6 other critical infrastructure, and juridical persons generally, and to report its findings and
7 make specific recommendations for legislation to the Legislature of Louisiana prior to the
8 convening of the 2027 Regular Session.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in conducting this study, the Louisiana State
10 Law Institute may consider, including but not limited to, the following:

11 (1) The historical origins and evolution of the term "foreign" in Louisiana statutes
12 and jurisprudence.

13 (2) Variations in the definition and application of the term across different areas of
14 law.

15 (3) The legal and practical effects of usage with respect to regulated industries and
16 juridical persons.

17 (4) The extent to which entities from countries considered "foreign adversaries" of
18 the United States might appropriately be specifically defined and differentiated from other
19 international entities.

20 (5) Whether alternative terminology or standardized definitions would improve
21 clarity and consistency.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana State Law Institute shall submit
23 one print copy and one electronic copy of any report produced pursuant to this Resolution
24 to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library as required by R.S. 24:772.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
26 director of the Louisiana State Law Institute.

DIGEST

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Requests the La. State Law Institute to study and make recommendations regarding the use of the term "foreign" and its application to juridical persons in state law, including entities from countries considered "foreign adversaries" of the U.S. Requests a report of findings and recommendations to be made to the legislature prior to the convening of the 2027 R.S.