

BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to begin a study of

3 the feasibility and assess the advisability of the construction of an additional

4 Mississippi River bridge to provide a solution to traffic problems and enhance

5 development.

6 WHEREAS, the flooding of I-10 and Airline Highway on the east side of the

7 Mississippi River during Hurricane Isaac demonstrated there is a need for an alternate river

8 crossing; and

9 WHEREAS, the addition of a bridge over the Mississippi River in between the

10 Horace Wilkinson Bridge and the Sunshine Bridge will open up key areas of South Baton

11 Rouge, Ascension Parish, and Iberville Parish; and

12 WHEREAS, increased accessibility will provide significant traffic relief for those

13 residents commuting to the west bank for work or traveling towards Lafayette and will help

14 relieve traffic traveling through Louisiana State University on Nicholson Drive to cross the

15 Horace Wilkinson Bridge and I-10 through Baton Rouge.

16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby

17 urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development, in consultation with

18 local governing authorities, to begin a study of the feasibility and to assess the advisability

19 of constructing an additional Mississippi River bridge.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and

21 Development submit a preliminary report of the study to the House Committee on

1 Transportation, Highways and Public Works and the Senate Committee on Transportation,
2 Highways and Public Works on or before January 1, 2015.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the
4 secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

DIGEST

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Urges and requests the Dept. of Transportation and Development to study the feasibility of the construction of an additional Mississippi River bridge.