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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 104

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HIGHWAYS: Urges and requests the Department of Transportation and Development to make improvements to the appearance of state entry points on interstate highways

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to make
3	improvements to the appearance of state entry points on interstate highways.
4	WHEREAS, Louisiana is a state comprised of the natural beauty of its waterways
5	and architecture of its cities and when people enter the state its beauty should be reflected
6	at its entry points; and
7	WHEREAS, the first impression of a state is its entry points of interest and the entry
8	points to Louisiana are the gateways for visitors and traveling Louisianians alike to revel in
9	all that Louisiana has to offer; and
10	WHEREAS, as visitors enter, traverse, and exit the state, they should be presented
11	with a positive image of what's to come and a longing desire to visit again; and
12	WHEREAS, the dumping of waste not only degrades Louisiana's unparalleled natural
13	beauty, but also negatively effects the state's environmental protection and economic
14	development efforts; and
15	WHEREAS, Louisiana is a frequent travel destination, as evidenced by the billions
16	of dollars generated annually, for visitors domestically and abroad and the state's entry
17	points should be aesthetically pleasing; and
18	WHEREAS, littering has become a pervasive problem that negatively impacts the
19	environment, tourism, economic viability, and overall quality of life of citizens and visitors
20	throughout the state; and

1	WHEREAS, cities that are clean have made substantial investments in beautification
2	and infrastructure that make disposal of litter effortless and landscape maintenance a
3	priority; and
4	WHEREAS, the state's appearance has an impact on potential tourism revenue and
5	the state could maximize the benefits of its tourism industry if the state's unique resources
6	are presented in an attractive manner, which includes having clean and visually appealing
7	state entry points; and
8	WHEREAS, there is a noticeable change in landscape upkeep once motorists cross
9	the Louisiana state line, and enhancing the appearance of state entry points is a feasible
10	method to begin creating a more inviting Louisiana.
11	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
12	urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to make improvements
13	to all state entry points on interstate highways across the state by way of litter clean up and
14	landscape maintenance in an effort to preserve Louisiana's historical beauty.
15	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
16	secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

DIGEST

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Urges and requests the Dept. of Transportation and Development to make improvements to the landscape and dispose of all waste at state entry points on interstate highways.