

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER

MOTOR VEHICLES: Creates a task force to study the merger of the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Commission and the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle Commission

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To create a task force to study and evaluate the merger of the Louisiana Motor Vehicle
3 Commission and the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle Commission.

4 WHEREAS, Louisiana Motor Vehicle Commission and the Louisiana Used Motor
5 Vehicle Commission currently function as separate regulatory entities, each charged with
6 the licensure, regulation, and oversight of the motor vehicle industry in this state; and

7 WHEREAS, concerns have been expressed regarding the possible areas of overlap
8 in responsibilities, variations in enforcement practices, and opportunities to improve
9 efficiency through a review of the current structure of the two separate commissions; and

10 WHEREAS, in an effort to streamline Louisiana government, it is in the best interest
11 of this state to combine the two commissions; and

12 WHEREAS, combining resources and eliminating duplicate efforts will lead to cost
13 reductions including administrative expenses; and

14 WHEREAS, a unified commission can work more cohesively, leading to faster and
15 more consistent decision-making and implementation of policies, the elimination of
16 competing or inconsistent goals, rulemaking, and enforcement, and greater clarity to
17 regulatory requirements for licensees and the consuming public; and

18 WHEREAS, a merged commission can provide more convenient, consistent, and
19 comprehensive services to the public and eliminate confusion caused by having two very
20 similar entities; and

1 WHEREAS, consolidating the commissions allows for better budgeting and more
2 strategic allocation of resources which ensures that funds and personnel are directed where
3 they are most needed; and

4 WHEREAS, merging the commissions can foster a culture of collaboration and
5 innovation and eliminate cultures of division, differing visions, inconsistent rules, and
6 differing enforcement; and

7 WHEREAS, Governor Landry has committed to getting rid of waste and reducing
8 the amount of agencies in the state; and

9 WHEREAS, a thorough, data-informed evaluation of the commissions' statutory
10 mandates, administrative operations, governance models, and regulatory practices, both in
11 Louisiana and in other states, is necessary to determine whether such a consolidation would
12 serve the public interest and improve industry oversight.

13 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
14 create a task force to study and evaluate the merger of the Louisiana Motor Vehicle
15 Commission and the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle Commission.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall be composed of the
17 following members:

18 (1) The governor or his designee.

19 (2) The attorney general or her designee.

20 (3) Three commissioners of the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Commission appointed by
21 the governor.

22 (4) Three commissioners of the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle Commission
23 appointed by the governor.

24 (5) The president of the Louisiana Automobile Dealers Association or his designee.

25 (6) A licensed automobile dealer appointed by the governor from a list of six
26 submitted by the Louisiana Automobile Dealers Association.

27 (7) The chair of the board of commissioners for the Louisiana Motor Vehicle
28 Commission and the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle Commission.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the chair of the Louisiana Motor Vehicle
2 Commission and the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle Commission shall serve as chairman of
3 the task force.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall review the feasibility of a
5 merger between the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Commission and the Louisiana Used Motor
6 Vehicle Commission which shall include but not be limited to the following components,
7 with particular attention to comparative practices and lessons learned from other states that
8 have undertaken similar evaluations or structural reforms:

9 (1) The composition, appointment process, qualifications, and governance structure
10 of each commission's board, including how similar entities are structured in other states.

11 (2) The licensing, compliance, enforcement, and adjudication processes of each
12 commission, with an emphasis on identifying any overlap, inconsistencies, or inefficiencies,
13 and evaluation how such functions are integrated or streamlined in other jurisdictions.

14 (3) Internal administrative functions, including staffing models, training protocols,
15 and overnight mechanisms, with reference to successful administrative practices used in
16 comparable agencies elsewhere.

17 (4) Existing technological infrastructure and opportunities for modernization,
18 including the use of online applications, centralized complaint tracking systems, and digital
19 record keeping, and how other states have leveraged technology to improve regulatory
20 efficiency.

21 (5) Budgetary and financial operations, including funding sources, expenditures, and
22 the projected fiscal impact of consolidation or reorganization, informed by fiscal analyses
23 conducted in other states.

24 (6) The consistency and clarity of applicable rules, such as those governing
25 advertising, financing, and sales practices, including a review of how other states ensure
26 regulatory uniformity across related services.

27 (7) Best practices and models from other states that have consolidated or
28 restructured licensing and regulatory commission, including measurable outcomes,
29 implementation challenges, and stakeholder responses.

1 (8) The perspectives of key stakeholders, including new and used motor vehicle
2 dealers, consumer advocacy organizations, and relevant trade associations, as well as input
3 from counterparts in other states who have undergone similar transitions.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall study a possible timeline for
5 the merger.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall solicit input, advice, and
7 recommendations from the executive directors of each commission regarding the current
8 day-to-day operations of the commissions.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is authorized to request
10 information, reports, documents, and assistance from any state agency or political
11 subdivision, including the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Commission and the Louisiana Used
12 Motor Vehicle Commission, as may be necessary to carry out its duties.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that members shall serve without compensation
14 except for per diem or expenses to which they may be entitled as members of their
15 organizations.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a majority of the total membership shall
17 constitute a quorum of the task force, and any official action taken by the task force shall
18 require an affirmative vote of the majority of the quorum present and voting.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the initial meeting of the task force shall take
20 place no later than August 1, 2025.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Commission shall
22 provide staff support to the task force.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall issue a report of its findings
24 and recommendations to the Legislature no later than December 31, 2025.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall submit one print copy and
26 one electronic copy of any report produced pursuant to this Resolution to the David R.
27 Poynter Legislative Research Library as required by R.S. 24:772 and to the House
28 Committee on Commerce and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection
29 and International Affairs.

DIGEST

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Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Commerce to the original bill:

1. Remove the executive directors of the commissions from the membership of the task force and instead have them provide information to the task force.
2. Adds three commissioners from each commission on the task force chosen by the governor.