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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 91

BY REPRESENTATIVE LIGI

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Board of Ethics to develop a procedure to certify persons and programs to deliver education and training regarding the laws within the jurisdiction of the board to public servants and other persons required to receive education and training regarding those laws.

WHEREAS, the Code of Governmental Ethics requires each elected official to receive a minimum of one hour of education and training on the Code of Governmental Ethics each year of his term of office; and

WHEREAS, this ethics education requirement has been phased in since January of 2008 and beginning in January of 2012, the ethics code will further require every public employee, including every board or commission member, to receive a minimum of one hour of education and training on the Code of Governmental Ethics each year of his public employment or term of office; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Governmental Ethics additionally requires each elected official to receive a minimum of an hour of education and training on the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act during his term of office; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Governmental Ethics further requires each registered lobbyist of the legislative branch and of the executive branch of state government to receive a minimum of one hour of education and training on the provisions of law relative to lobbying and on the relevant provisions of the Code of Governmental Ethics during each year the lobbyist is registered; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Governmental Ethics authorizes this education and training to be received either in person or via the Internet through training and educational materials designed by the board; and

WHEREAS, while the Board of Ethics has made ethics and lobbyist training available via the Internet and has scheduled a few in-person training seminars, it will be difficult for the staff of the board to ensure that every person required to receive education and training will be able to receive that education and training in a manner and environment that is the least disruptive to the conduct of the person's office or employment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Board of Ethics to develop a procedure to certify persons and programs to deliver education and training regarding the laws within the jurisdiction of the board to public servants and other persons required to receive education and training regarding those laws.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the chairman of the Board of Ethics and to the ethics administrator.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE