

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 89

BY SENATOR CROWE

LOCAL ELECTIONS. Request the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs study the feasibility of establishing a more expedient transition for local elected officials to take office.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to meet and function as a joint committee to study and make recommendations with respect to the period of time between the dates of election of local and parishwide officials and the dates of assumption of office by such officials.

WHEREAS, certain newly elected local and parishwide officials encounter a delay of up to one year prior to assuming the office to which such officials were elected; and

WHEREAS, actions taken by an outgoing local or parishwide official with reference to personnel, operations, equipment, and activities should occur for as limited a period of time as possible in order for the transition mandated by the voters to commence; and

WHEREAS, the technological advances of the past twenty-five years should be utilized in order to expedite such transition mandated by the voters.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby request the members of the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to meet and function as a joint committee to study in all respects the period of time between the dates of election of local and parishwide officials and the dates of assumption of office by such officials, with an

1 objective of reporting the minimum period of time for the transition mandated by the voters  
2 to commence.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the joint legislative committee shall submit  
4 recommendations to the Legislature of Louisiana not later than March 1, 2013.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Lauren Bailey.

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DIGEST

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Requests the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs study the feasibility of establishing a more expedient transition for local elected officials to take office and submit a report to the legislature by March 1, 2013.