

1 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Highway 640 Edgard/Reserve ferry route connects
2 Louisiana Highway 18 (west bank) across the Mississippi River to Louisiana Highway 44
3 (east bank); and

4 WHEREAS, the nearest alternative detour route to the Edgard/Reserve ferry route
5 across the Mississippi River is a distance of twenty-one miles via the Gramercy Bridge; and

6 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Highway 3075 White Castle ferry route connects
7 Louisiana Highway 405 (west bank) and Louisiana Highway 141 (east bank); and

8 WHEREAS, the nearest alternative detour route to the White Castle ferry route
9 across the Mississippi River is a distance of twenty-two miles via the Plaquemine ferry or
10 forty-two miles via the Sunshine Bridge; and

11 WHEREAS, R.S. 48:25 authorizes the department to prescribe and collect such ferry
12 charges as it determines necessary to maintain ferry services.

13 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
14 authorize and direct the Department of Transportation and Development to continue
15 operation of the Edgard/Reserve and White Castle ferries.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
17 authorize and direct the Department of Transportation and Development to prescribe and
18 collect ferry charges to supplement state funds to continue the operation of the
19 Edgard/Reserve and White Castle ferries.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
21 Secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Sharon F. Lyles.

DIGEST

Brown

SCR No. 105

Directs DOTD to continue operation of the Edgard/Reserve and White Castle ferries and to
prescribe and collect ferry charges to supplement state funds for such ferries.