

Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 59

BY REPRESENTATIVES HENRY, CHAMPAGNE, CORTEZ, LIGI, AND TALBOT

BUDGETARY CONTROLS: Provides approval for the Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To direct the LSU Board of Supervisors and the University Medical Center Management  
3 Corporation to submit to the legislature a plan of expenditure which shall require a  
4 majority vote of both houses of the legislature by mail ballot, House Concurrent  
5 Resolution, or Senate Concurrent Resolution prior to the expenditure of any such  
6 monies appropriated in any act of the legislature for a new Charity Hospital in New  
7 Orleans, also known as the Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans.

8 WHEREAS, the existing facilities at Charity Hospital in New Orleans were severely  
9 damaged by Hurricane Katrina; and

10 WHEREAS, prior to Hurricane Katrina, a need existed for an updated Charity  
11 Hospital in New Orleans; and

12 WHEREAS, prior to Fiscal Year 2010-2011 the state has appropriated \$381,591,000,  
13 including \$225,500,000 General Obligation Bonds, to the Louisiana Health Care Services  
14 Division for a new charity hospital facility in New Orleans; and

15 WHEREAS, the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget has approved  
16 \$474,750,898 in FEMA funds received in unspecified increments towards a new charity  
17 hospital facility in New Orleans; and

18 WHEREAS, included in HB 2 of the 2010 Regular Legislative Session is  
19 authorization to issue \$900,000,000 in Revenue Bonds for the University Medical Center in  
20 New Orleans; and

21 WHEREAS, the Joint Legislation Committee on the Budget has authorized the use  
22 of Construction Manager at Risk alternative delivery strategy in implementing the Medical

1 Center of Louisiana in New Orleans project for a contract amount of not exceeding  
2 \$8,000,000.

3       THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that prior to the approval or issuance of bonds,  
4 lease obligations, and/or any other debt obligations by and/or approved by the State Bond  
5 Commission; or, if such approval is not required, the actual entering into and/or incurring  
6 of any debt, lease, or other obligation of any kind, for the purpose of purchasing, acquiring,  
7 constructing, equipping, operating, maintaining, or otherwise related to the proposed new  
8 Charity Hospital in New Orleans, also known as the Medical Center of Louisiana at New  
9 Orleans, or any portion of the project or related facility thereof, whether by the state of  
10 Louisiana, any agency, board, commission or division of the state, or any other entity or  
11 instrumentality established by the state, a political subdivision, a nonprofit or any other  
12 entity, the LSU Board of Supervisors, and the University Medical Center Management  
13 Corporation shall submit to the legislature a plan of expenditure, and such plan shall be  
14 approved and confirmed by both houses of the legislature, by a majority vote of each, which  
15 vote shall be obtained by mail ballot, House Concurrent Resolution, or Senate Concurrent  
16 Resolution duly certified and promulgated by the secretary of the Senate and the clerk of the  
17 House of Representatives, who shall tabulate and promulgate the results thereof.

18       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that without a majority vote approval of each house  
19 of the legislature, any financing related to the Charity Hospital or Medical Center of  
20 Louisiana in New Orleans cannot proceed.

21       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
22 LSU Board of Supervisors and the University Medical Center Management Corporation.

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#### DIGEST

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HCR No. 59

Requires LSU Board of Supervisors and the UMC Management Corp. to submit a plan to the legislature and requires a majority vote approval of both houses of the legislature by mail ballot, HCR, or SCR prior to funding a new Charity Hospital in New Orleans, also known as MCLANO.