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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 87

BY REPRESENTATIVES HARDY AND RICHMOND

CRIMINAL/BUREAU CRIML ID: Provides with respect to racial profiling

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To create a task force to study the feasibility of requiring law enforcement agencies to
3	record data and report statistics to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections
4	regarding the total number of persons stopped for traffic violations, the race of each
5	person stopped, and the action taken pursuant to each stop, and to report its findings
6	and recommendations to the House Committee on Judiciary, the president of the
7	Senate, and the speaker of the House of Representatives prior to January 1, 2012.
8	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information was
9	established within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to timely collect,
10	process, and disseminate available information on crime, offenders, and the operations of
11	the criminal justice system through a centralized system; and
12	WHEREAS, the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration
13	of Criminal Justice, established as the central coordinating agency for adult and juvenile
14	correctional systems, works in conjunction with the Department of Public Safety and
15	Corrections to maintain accurate and timely statistical information relative to the operation
16	of state and local correctional systems; and
17	WHEREAS, the Integrated Criminal Justice Information System Policy Board was
18	established for the purpose of assisting the agencies involved in the operations of the
19	individual systems by facilitating the development of the Integrated Criminal Justice
20	Information System, to provide for common standards to ensure communication among

1 systems, and to provide a common forum for the discussion of issues affecting the agencies 2 involved; and 3 WHEREAS, these systems may also be utilized in the collection of traffic data; and 4 WHEREAS, this legislature has enacted policy against racial profiling including the provisions of R.S. 32:398.10 which provides for the collection and reporting of statistical 5 6 information relating to traffic stops; and 7 WHEREAS, there is some concern that traffic data is not being properly 8 disseminated and that racial profiling continues to exist; and 9 WHEREAS, according to a 2009 report issued by the American Civil Liberties Union 10 and the Rights Working Group, evidence of racial profiling does exist in Louisiana. 11 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 12 create a task force to study the feasibility of requiring law enforcement agencies to record 13 data and report statistics to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections regarding the 14 total number of persons stopped for traffic violations, the race of each person stopped, and 15 the action taken pursuant to each stop, and to make recommendations to this legislature. 16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall be composed of the 17 following members: 18 (1) One member designated by the Louisiana Sheriffs' Association. 19 (2) One member designated by the Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police. 20 (3) One member designated by the Louisiana Municipal Association. 21 (4) One member designated by the Louisiana State Police. 22 (5) One member designated by the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and 23 Corrections. 24 (6) One member designated by the American Civil Liberties Union of Louisiana. 25 (7) One member designated by the National Association for the Advancement of 26 Colored People. 27 (8) One member designated by the Southern Poverty Law Center. 28 (9) One member designated by Louisiana Catholic Charities. 29 (10) One member designated by the Louisiana Public Defender Board. 30 (11) One member designated by the Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus.

- 1 (12) One member designated by the Louisiana attorney general.
- 2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall hold its organizational
- 3 meeting within sixty days after the adoption of this Resolution.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall elect a chairman, who shall
- 5 be responsible for calling subsequent meetings, and a vice chairman, at its organizational
- 6 meeting.
- 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall complete its study and
- 8 submit the report of its findings and recommendations to the House Committee on Judiciary,
- 9 the president of the Senate, and the speaker of the House of Representatives prior to January
- 10 1, 2012.

DIGEST

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- (1) One member designated by the La. Sheriffs' Association.
- (2) One member designated by the La. Association of Chiefs of Police.
- (3) One member designated by the La. Municipal Association.
- (4) One member designated by the La. State Police.
- (5) One member designated by the La. Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections.
- (6) One member designated by the American Civil Liberties Union of La.
- (7) One member designated by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.
- (8) One member designated by the Southern Poverty Law Center.
- (9) One member designated by La. Catholic Charities.
- (10) One member designated by the La. Public Defender Board.
- (11) One member designated by the La. Legislative Black Caucus.
- (12) One member designated by the La. attorney general.