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HOUSE CONCURRENT STUDY REQUEST NO. 1

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TAX CREDITS: Requests the House Ways and Means and Senate Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Committees to study the feasibility of establishing tax incentives for broadband providers that provide coverage to rural unserved areas in Louisiana

1 A CONCURRENT STUDY REQUEST 2 To request the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Committee on 3 Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to meet and to function as a joint committee to study the 4 practicality and feasibility of establishing tax incentives to encourage broadband 5 providers to provide fixed and mobile broadband networks to eligible rural unserved 6 areas in Louisiana and to report the findings of the joint committee to the legislature 7 prior to the convening of the 2021 Regular Session. 8 WHEREAS, the House Committee on Ways and Means, in hearings during the 2020 9 First Extraordinary Session, particularly House Bill No. 68, and during the 2020 Second 10 Extraordinary Session, particularly House Bill No. 5, discussed and determined that it was 11 appropriate and necessary for the committee to conduct hearings to further study the 12 practicality and feasibility of establishing tax incentives to encourage broadband providers 13 to provide fixed and mobile broadband networks to eligible rural unserved areas in 14 Louisiana. 15 THEREFORE, the Legislature of Louisiana requests the House Committee on Ways 16 and Means and the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to meet and to function 17 as a joint committee to study the practicality and feasibility of establishing tax incentives to 18 encourage broadband providers to provide fixed and mobile broadband networks to eligible 19 rural unserved areas in Louisiana and to report the findings of the joint committee to the 20 legislature prior to the convening of the 2021 Regular Session.

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