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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 254

BY REPRESENTATIVE AMEDEE

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1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Department of Public Safety, office of motor vehicles, study and
3 recommend the best practices to provide for parent-taught driver's education.

4 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver's education courses are allowed in twenty-eight
5 states within the United States; and

6 WHEREAS, some states allow the completion of the thirty-two-hour classroom
7 requirement in an online format; and

8 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver's education provides a fun, interactive, and
9 engaging driver's education course for the prospective teen driver; and

10 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver's education allows parents to be involved and
11 positively influence their teen's driving; and

12 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver's education provides an affordable, convenient way
13 for a parent to allow their teen to pursue driver's education; and

14 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver's education affords a parent the chance to practice
15 behind-the-wheel driving exercises with their teen; and

16 WHEREAS, most parent-taught driver's education courses must be taught by either
17 the parent, stepparent, grandparent, step-grandparent, foster parent, or legal guardian; and

18 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver's education will allow teens who do not thrive in
19 large group settings an intimate environment in which to receive their driver's education; and

1 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver education may be a way to lower the teen death rate
2 in the state by allowing parents to teach their children about the dangers and risks involved
3 in driving in a manner that the parent, who is concerned most about their safety, feels is best
4 for their child; and

5 WHEREAS, many high schools in Louisiana no longer offer driver's education
6 courses; and

7 WHEREAS, there are not many driving schools in certain rural areas of this state;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver's education would afford prospective teen drivers
10 access to driver's education where it may otherwise be limited; and

11 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver's education throughout the country enables teens
12 and their parents to take advantage of driver education discounts offered by auto insurance
13 companies; and

14 WHEREAS, parent-taught driver's education should be allowed in this state to
15 accommodate those parents who wish to teach their child how to manage one of the most
16 potentially dangerous aspects of life, driving.

17 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
18 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Public Safety,
19 office of motor vehicles, to report to the legislature no later than January 31, 2019, with
20 recommendations providing for parent-taught driver's education including, but not limited
21 to: parent qualifications, student eligibility, curriculum approval, reasonable fees, course
22 provider information and approval, course completion, and third party testing.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
24 commissioner of the office of motor vehicles.

DIGEST

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