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HOUSE STUDY REQUEST NO. 1

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PUBLIC BUILDINGS/GROUNDS: Requires a study of the feasibility and practicality of using the Department of Insurance building location to provide for legislative apartments and offices

A STUDY REQUEST

2	To the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to study the feasibility and
3	practicality of using the site of the former Department of Insurance building,
4	including its existing parking structure, to provide for legislative apartments and
5	offices and to report its findings to the House of Representatives prior to the
6	convening of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.
7	WHEREAS, the former site of the state Department of Insurance building, including
8	the existing parking structure, has been deemed as nonessential to the efficient operations
9	of the department and has been transferred to the division of administration in accordance
0	with R.S. 41:140(A); and
1	WHEREAS, the division of administration, through the commissioner of
12	administration, is charged with recommending the best use or disposition of the property
13	pursuant to R.S. 41:140(B); and
4	WHEREAS, the division of administration has previously recommended the sale of
15	the site of the former insurance building, including existing parking structure, pursuant to
16	R.S. 41:131, et seq.; and
17	WHEREAS, R.S. 49:150.1(E)(1), which provides for allocation of space in the state
18	capitol complex, states that in addition to the allocation of specific floors in the capitol, all
19	other areas of the state capitol, the pentagon courts buildings, and Old Arsenal Museum not

1 otherwise allocated shall be for the sole use of the legislature, its agencies and officers, and

- 2 the employees of the legislature and its agencies; and
- WHEREAS, many members of the legislature have determined that there is a need
- 4 for a site adjacent to the capitol as lodging and office space for legislators; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the pentagon courts buildings are currently used as lodging for many
- 6 members of the legislature, but the space available for apartments and offices is limited.
- 7 THEREFORE, the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana requests
- 8 the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to study the feasibility and
- 9 practicality of using the site of the former Department of Insurance building, including its
- existing parking structure, to provide for legislative apartments and offices, and to report its
- findings to the House of Representatives prior to the convening of the 2021 Regular Session
- of the Legislature of Louisiana.

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