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HOUSE STUDY REQUEST NO. 1

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A STUDY REQUEST

2	To the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to study the feasibility and
3	practicality of providing office space for state representatives at the state capitol and
4	to report its findings to the House of Representatives prior to the convening of the
5	2021 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.
6	WHEREAS, meeting with a state legislator or legislative staff is an effective way for
7	constituents, advocates, and other concerned Louisiana residents to convey a message about
8	a specific legislative issue; and
9	WHEREAS, over half of the country's states provide offices within their capitol
10	buildings for state representatives and senators; and
11	WHEREAS, most state representatives in Louisiana do not currently have offices
12	within the capitol complex, so there is not a central location for constituents to meet with
13	these legislators and advocate their needs; and
14	WHEREAS, many members of the legislature have determined that there is a need
15	for office space for all legislators at the capitol; and
16	WHEREAS, R.S. 49:150.1(E)(1), which provides for allocation of space in the state
17	capitol complex, states that in addition to the allocation of specific floors in the capitol, all
18	other areas of the state capitol, the pentagon courts buildings, and Old Arsenal Museum not
19	otherwise allocated shall be for the sole use of the legislature, its agencies and officers, and
20	the employees of the legislature and its agencies; and

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WHEREAS, in conducting the study hereby requested, the House Committee on

- 2 House and Governmental Affairs may solicit input, recommendations, and advice from
- 3 interested stakeholders, including the division of administration.
- 4 THEREFORE, the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana requests
- 5 the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to study the feasibility and
- 6 practicality of providing office space for state representatives at the state capitol and to
- report its findings to the House of Representatives prior to the convening of the 2021 7
- 8 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.

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