SLS 12RS-358 **ORIGINAL** 

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE BILL NO. 106

BY SENATOR GALLOT

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LEGISLATORS. Requires the state to allow legislators to use unused space in a state building for a legislative office.

AN ACT

2	To enact R.S. 24:31.4(E), relative to legislators; to provide for vacant property of the state
3	to be utilized as legislative offices; to provide for a process for requests for property;
4	and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 24:31.4(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
7	§31.4. Members' office allowance
8	* * *
9	E. The commissioner of administration is directed to implement a
10	procedure wherein, at no cost to a legislator, vacant space in immovable
11	properties owned by the state can be utilized for the purpose of establishing a
12	legislative office. A legislator wishing to utilize such vacant space shall make a
13	written request for such space to the commissioner. Priority for such space
14	shall be given to legislators in the order in which the requests are received.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Lauren Bailey.

## **DIGEST**

<u>Present law</u> provides for a monthly allowance of \$500 for members of the legislature for payment of rent for office space for their legislative offices.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and directs the commissioner of administration to implement a procedure wherein, at no cost to a legislator, vacant space in immovable properties owned by the state can be utilized for the purpose of establishing a legislative office.

(Adds R.S. 24:31.4(E))