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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION. Requests the United States Secretary of Education to visit Louisiana to tour public schools.

| 1  | A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION   |
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| 2  | To urge and request the United States Secretary of Education, Betsy DeVos, to visit         |
| 3  | Louisiana to tour public schools in our state.  |
| 4  | WHEREAS, Betsy DeVos has been a pioneer in fighting to remove barriers and                  |
| 5  | create environments that provide students the opportunity to thrive; and                    |
| 6  | WHEREAS, the United States Secretary of Education is in a unique position to                |
| 7  | promote such opportunity by developing and overseeing rules and programs that ensure that   |
| 8  | states provide all students equal access to high quality educational programs; and          |
| 9  | WHEREAS, Louisiana's public elementary and secondary education system serves                |
| 10 | over 700,000 students in 1,303 schools in 70 school districts; and                          |
| 11 | WHEREAS, the vast majority of these students are enrolled in traditional public             |
| 12 | schools; and  |
| 13 | WHEREAS, Louisiana's public education system has been on the forefront of                   |
| 14 | developing and implementing programs designed to promote school choice; and                 |
| 15 | WHEREAS, Louisiana will soon submit a plan to the United States Department of               |
| 16 | Education that not only meets the provisions of the Every Student Succeeds Act, but ensures |
| 17 | that all students are provided an opportunity to pursue an education that meets their       |
| 18 | individual needs.   |

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| 1 | THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby |
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2 invite the Secretary of the United States Department of Education, Betsy DeVos, to visit

3 Louisiana to tour public schools in our state.

- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
- 5 United States Secretary of Education, Betsy DeVos.

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

|                 | DIGEST                           |           |
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