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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 142

BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, LONG AND WALSWORTH AND REPRESENTATIVES JEFFERSON, JAY MORRIS AND SHADOIN

FIRE PROTECTION. Requests the state fire marshal to provide education and enforcement of fire safety standards at fraternity and sorority houses.

1	A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	To urge and request the Louisiana State Fire Marshal to provide education and code
3	enforcement at fraternity and sorority houses associated with colleges and
4	universities located in the state.
5	WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana has a duty to protect the health, safety, and
6	welfare of the people of our state, and must take all reasonable and necessary steps to
7	preserve the lives and property of those people; and
8	WHEREAS, the state has vested in the office of the state fire marshal, within the
9	Department of Public Safety and Corrections, the duty to perform the functions of the state
10	relating to the protection of life and property from the hazards of fire and of panic which
11	may arise from fire or from the threat of fire or explosion; and
12	WHEREAS, performance of this duty includes supervision and enforcement of safety
13	standards and inspection; and
14	WHEREAS, a recent tragedy has brought to the attention of the Louisiana
15	Legislature the need for education on fire prevention and safety and code enforcement at the
16	fraternity and sorority houses associated with colleges and universities in this state; and
17	WHEREAS, although no lives were lost, significant property damage was caused to
18	and injuries were sustained by private citizens and first responders in the May 19, 2012, fire

1 at the Pi Kappa Alpha house at Louisiana Tech University; and

2 WHEREAS, all members of the higher education community and the citizens of the 3 cities in which Louisiana colleges and universities are located can benefit from building 4 partnerships with the Louisiana fire marshal's office for the purpose of enhancing campus 5 fire safety.

6 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 7 urge and request the Louisiana state fire marshal to provide, consistent with his duties, 8 education on fire prevention and safety and code enforcement at fraternity and sorority 9 houses associated with Louisiana colleges and universities.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the

11 Louisiana fire marshal.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Laura Gail Sullivan.

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DIGEST

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Requests the state fire marshal to provide education on fire prevention and safety and code enforcement consistent with his duties at fraternity and sorority houses associated with Louisiana colleges and universities.