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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32

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LEGIS POWERS/FUNCTIONS. Requires closed captioning of legislative proceedings that are broadcast.

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To adopt Joint Rule No. 21 of the Joint Rules of Order of the Senate and House of Representatives to provide for audio and video broadcast of legislative proceedings; to require closed captioning of legislative proceedings that are broadcast; and for the creation, nature, and maintenance of records thereof.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of Louisiana that Joint Rule No. 21 of the Joint Rules of Order of the Senate and House of Representatives is hereby adopted to read as follows:

Joint Rule No. 21. Internet broadcast of proceedings; closed captioning; maintenance; applicability

A. The president of the Senate and speaker of the House of Representatives shall provide that audio, video, and closed captioning of the entirety of all legislative proceedings occurring in Senate and House committee rooms shall be broadcast live via the Internet.

B. The president of the Senate and speaker of the House of Representatives shall provide that audio, video, and closed captioning of all legislative proceedings in the Senate and House Chamber shall be broadcast live

Proposed Joint Rule provides that if either the President or Speaker is precluded from fulfilling the requirements of proposed Joint Rule due to a technical problem or difficulty beyond his control, the failure to broadcast or record a legislative proceeding shall not be construed in any manner to be a violation of proposed Joint Rule.

(Adds Joint Rule No. 21)