

First Extraordinary Session, 2008

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY AND SENATORS SCALISE AND WALSWORTH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the secretary of the Department of Revenue to take every possible action within the boundaries of the law to ensure that no additional individual income tax burden is placed on the Louisiana taxpayers as a result of the enactment of the 2008 federal economic stimulus income tax relief legislation and to urge and request the governor to include in any proclamation for a Second Extraordinary Session this year the power to enact legislation to accomplish such purpose, if necessary.

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has recently enacted legislation that grants federal income tax relief to individual taxpayers for tax year 2008; and

WHEREAS, individuals in Louisiana will benefit from this income tax reduction; and

WHEREAS, included in this legislation is a provision authorizing rebate checks in varying amounts to be mailed to certain individuals; and

WHEREAS, the people of Louisiana should be given the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of the tax reduction and the tax rebate; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the state to ensure that our citizens feel confident that this relief from federal income taxation will not result in additional state income tax.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the secretary of the Department of Revenue is hereby urged and requested to take every possible action within the boundaries of the law to ensure that no additional individual income tax burden is imposed on the citizens of Louisiana as a result of the enactment by the United States Congress of the February 2008 economic stimulus federal income tax relief legislation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, if there is any doubt that this Resolution is sufficient to accomplish its purposes, the governor is hereby urged and requested to include in any proclamation issued for a Second Extraordinary Session this year the power to enact legislation to protect individuals from such an additional income tax burden.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the governor and the secretary of the Department of Revenue.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE