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LHA Applauds Senate for Standing Up for Healthcare
Statement from LHA President and CEO Paul A. Salles
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(Baton Rouge, LA) - The Louisiana Senate approved House Concurrent Resolution 75 (HCR 75), which would implement the Hospital Stabilization Formula. This resolution, authored by House Speaker Chuck Kleckley and Speaker Pro Tempore Walt Leger, passed by a vote of 31 to 8.

The LHA and Louisiana hospitals applaud the Senators who made healthcare and patients a priority today by supporting this important resolution to protect healthcare services. By voting yes for this bipartisan legislation, the Senate has chosen to help provide long-term budget stability to Louisiana and to help protect access to quality healthcare for everyone.

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Additional Background
HCR 75 is a financing mechanism that allows hospitals to contribute to the cost of healthcare for Louisiana residents through a provider assessment funding program. Louisiana is one of only 10 states that does not use a hospital provider assessment funding program to stabilize funding for patient care.

About the Louisiana Hospital Association
Established in 1926, the Louisiana Hospital Association is a non-profit organization representing hospitals and healthcare provider groups across the state. The mission of the LHA is to support its members through advocacy, education and services. For more information, visit the LHA website at www.lhaonline.org, or follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/LAHospitals or on Twitter @LAHospitals.

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