

**RESOLUTION NO. 24 of 2026**

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 140 OF THE 2026 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION OF THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE RELATING TO TIME LIMITATIONS FOR JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PROCEEDINGS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, House Bill 140 (2026 Regular Session) addresses the time limits juveniles can be held in custody pending proceedings; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 140 increases the time juveniles can be held in custody, in most cases by doubling the amount of time; and

WHEREAS, increasing the holding time for juveniles will not only impair the rights of the juveniles, it will also increase the financial burden on state and local governments that fund juvenile detention facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Caddo Parish Commission in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Caddo Parish Commission does hereby express its opposition to House Bill 140 and urges the Louisiana Legislature to reject any legislation that increases the holding time for juveniles in custody pending delinquency and other types of proceedings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Caddo Parish Commission encourages the Legislature to preserve and respect the existing statutory framework of time delays in juvenile matters.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent, following adoption, to the Louisiana Legislature and to the members of the legislative delegation of Caddo Parish.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved as to legal form:

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Parish Attorney

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Date