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Re: 2014 Recommendation/Report of the Judicial Compensation
Commission

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

Judge Frank A. Marullo, Jr.
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Louisiana Revised Statute 13:46(B) provides in pertinent part that the Judicial Compensation Commission "shall submit its recommendations concerning judges' salaries to the legislature sixty days prior to the commencement of any regular session of the legislature in an even-numbered year. Thereafter, a report may be submitted every two years at any regular session of the legislature in an even-numbered year."

In light of the five-year judicial compensation plan that was: (1) recommended by the Commission in its *2013 Recommendation/Report*; and (2) included in Senate Bill 188 of the 2013 Regular Session, which was reviewed, voted upon, and approved by the Legislature and signed into law (Act 375/La. R.S. 13:50) by Governor Jindal shortly thereafter, the Commission hereby suggests that no legislation concerning judicial compensation is necessary for the 2014 Regular Session.

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If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at 504-834-7676.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely,



SENATOR DANIEL R. "DANNY" MARTINY
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