

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 272

BY SENATOR EDMONDS

COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES. Provides relative to the M.J. Foster Promise Award program.
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1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3047.1(C) and 3047.4(C)(2), relative to the M.J. Foster
3 Promise Program; to provide relative to appropriations for the program; and to
4 provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:3047.1(C) and 3047.4(C)(2) are hereby amended and reenacted
7 to read as follows:

8 §3047.1. Advisory council; membership; responsibilities

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10 C. ~~By January 1, 2022, and at least once every three years thereafter, the~~
11 ~~advisory council shall review the workforce priorities of the state and each of its~~
12 ~~workforce regions and designate qualified programs.~~ **The Louisiana Workforce**
13 **Commission shall convene the advisory council annually for program updates.**
14 **At least once every three years, the advisory council shall review the workforce**
15 **priorities of the state and each of its workforce regions and designate qualified**
16 **programs.**

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1 §3047.4. Funding

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3 C.(1) * * *

4 (2)(a) State appropriations for the program shall not exceed ~~ten million five~~
5 ~~hundred thousand~~ **forty million** dollars per year for students enrolled in public
6 postsecondary education institutions or proprietary schools.

7 **(b) No more than twenty-five percent of the amount each year shall be**
8 **allocated for students enrolled in proprietary schools.**

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10 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
11 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
12 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
13 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
14 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michael Bell.

DIGEST

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Present law (R.S. 17:3074.1(C)) provides that by January 1, 2022, and at least once every three years thereafter, the advisory council must review the workforce priorities of the state and each of its workforce regions and designate qualified programs.

Proposed law deletes present law and provides that the Louisiana Workforce Commission convene the advisory council annually for program updates. Further provides that at least once every three years, the advisory council must review the workforce priorities of the state and each of its workforce regions and designate qualified programs.

Present law (R.S. 17:3074.4(C)) provides that state appropriations for the program cannot exceed \$10,500,000 per year for students enrolled in public postsecondary education institutions or proprietary schools.

Proposed law changes the amount the program cannot exceed from \$10,500,000 to \$40,000,000 and further provides that proprietary schools must be allocated no more than 25% of the amount each year for students enrolled in such schools.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 17:3047.1(C) and 3047.4(C)(2))