

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 671

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL

STUDENT/TUITION: Authorizes the LSU Board of Supervisors to impose certain tuition and fee amounts at certain institutions

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:3351.11(E) and 3351.17 through 3351.19, relative to the Board of
3 Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College;
4 to authorize the board to impose certain tuition and fee amounts at certain
5 institutions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:3351.11(E) and 3351.17 through 3351.19 are hereby enacted to
8 read as follows:

9 §3351.11. Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and
10 Mechanical College; tuition and attendance fee amounts; Health Sciences
11 Centers; waivers

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13 E. In addition to the authority granted by this Section and any other provision
14 of law, including but not limited to R.S. 17:3139.5, and in accordance with the
15 provisions of Article VII, Section 2.1(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, the Board
16 of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical
17 College may impose the following fees for students enrolled in Louisiana State
18 University Health Sciences Center-New Orleans School of Dentistry for the 2013-
19 2014 academic year and thereafter:

1 §3351.18. Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and
2 Mechanical College; digital media program fee; amount; waivers

3 A. In addition to the authority granted by any other provision of law,
4 including but not limited to R.S. 17:3139.5, and in accordance with Article VII,
5 Section 2.1 of the Constitution of Louisiana, the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana
6 State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College may impose at Louisiana
7 State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College at Baton Rouge for the
8 Fall 2013 semester and thereafter a digital media program fee for students enrolled
9 in graduate and professional degree programs in digital media in an amount not to
10 exceed two thousand five hundred dollars per semester.

11 B. The authority granted in Subsection A of this Section shall include the
12 authority to impose proportional amounts for part-time students and for summer
13 sessions.

14 C. The board shall establish criteria for waiving the fee authorized in
15 Subsection A of this Section in cases of financial hardship as determined by the
16 board. Information relative to such waivers and the criteria and procedures for
17 obtaining a waiver shall be made available to all prospective students in a timely
18 manner such that each student is informed of the availability of a waiver prior to the
19 student making a final decision concerning attendance.

20 §3351.19. Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and
21 Mechanical College; technology and infrastructure enhancement fee;
22 amount; waivers

23 A. In addition to the authority granted by any other provision of law,
24 including but not limited to R.S. 17:3139.5, and in accordance with Article VII,
25 Section 2.1 of the Constitution of Louisiana, the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana
26 State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College may impose at Louisiana
27 State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College at Baton Rouge a
28 technology and infrastructure enhancement fee in the following amounts:

1 (1) For the 2013-2014 academic year, two dollars per student credit hour up
2 to fifteen credit hours.

3 (2) For the 2014-2015 academic year, four dollars per student credit hour up
4 to fifteen credit hours.

5 (3) For the 2015-2016 academic year, six dollars per student credit hour up
6 to fifteen credit hours.

7 (4) For the 2016-2017 academic year, eight dollars per student credit hour up
8 to fifteen credit hours.

9 (5) For the 2017-2018 academic year and thereafter, ten dollars per student
10 credit hour up to fifteen credit hours.

11 B. The authority granted in Subsection A of this Section shall include the
12 authority to impose proportional amounts for part-time students and for summer
13 sessions.

14 C. The board shall establish criteria for waiving the fee authorized in
15 Subsection A of this Section in cases of financial hardship as determined by the
16 board. Information relative to such waivers and the criteria and procedures for
17 obtaining a waiver shall be made available to all prospective students in a timely
18 manner such that each student is informed of the availability of a waiver prior to the
19 student making a final decision concerning attendance.

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

 DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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HB No. 671

Abstract: Authorizes the LSU Board of Supervisors to impose certain tuition and fee amounts at LSU-Baton Rouge and the LSU School of Dentistry.

Proposed law authorizes the LSU Board of Supervisors to impose the following:

LSU-Baton Rouge:

- (1) Tuition and attendance fees for students in an academic degree program offered entirely through distance education, as defined by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), when such program is comparable to a program offered through traditional in-person classroom instruction. (Fall 2013 semester and thereafter.)
- (2) A digital media program fee for students in graduate and professional degree programs in digital media in an amount not to exceed \$2,500 per semester. (Fall 2013 semester and thereafter.)
- (3) A technology and infrastructure enhancement fee, as follows:
 - (a) 2013-2014: \$2 per credit hour, up to 15 credit hours.
 - (b) 2014-2015: \$4 per credit hour, up to 15 credit hours.
 - (c) 2015-2016: \$6 per credit hour, up to 15 credit hours.
 - (d) 2016-2017: \$8 per credit hour, up to 15 credit hours.
 - (e) 2017-2018 and thereafter: \$10 per credit hour, up to 15 credit hours.

Proposed law, applicable to all proposed law relative to LSU-Baton Rouge, provides:

- (1) The board may impose proportional amounts for part-time students and for summer sessions.
- (2) The board shall establish criteria for hardship waivers and make information about them available to prospective students.

LSU Health Sciences Center-New Orleans School of Dentistry:

- (1) For 2013-2014 and thereafter, a dental supply fee of \$300 per academic year for students in the doctor of dental surgery program, the dental hygiene program, and the dental laboratory technology program.
- (2) For 2013-2014 and thereafter, a prosthetic device fee of \$275 per academic year for second-year students in the doctor of dental surgery program.
- (3) Retains present law requirement that the board establish criteria for hardship waivers and make information about them available to prospective students.

Proposed law, applicable to all proposed law for both LSU-Baton Rouge and the LSU School of Dentistry:

- (1) Provides that authority granted by all proposed law is in addition to any authority granted by present law, including the GRAD Act.
- (2) Provides that it is in accordance with present constitution, which provides that any new fee imposed or assessed by a state board or agency must be enacted by law by a 2/3 vote of the elected members of each house of the legislature.

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

(Adds R.S. 17:3351.11(E) and 3351.17-3351.19)