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Subject: Merges La. Tech. College Campuses with Baton Rouge C.C.	

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Merges certain La. Technical College campuses with Baton Rouge Community College. (gov sig)

Proposed law merges the Baton Rouge, Folkes, Jumonville Memorial, and Westside campuses of the Louisiana Technical College (LTC) with Baton Rouge Community College (BRCC) and transfers all funds, obligations, property, programs, facilities, and functions relative to these technical college campuses to BRCC, effective July 1, 2013, or a date adopted by formal action of the Bd. of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges (LCTCS). The bill requires that each LTC campus shall be considered a part of, and under the management of, the LTC until the merger of each campus is effected. Proposed law provides that BRCC shall provide educational skills and technical programs and services through the locations and facilities that served as the previous LTC campuses. The bill requires that current students must be allowed to complete their program or course of study at the current tuition rates of technical colleges within two years of the merger. Proposed law provides that the LCTCS shall review the programs and employees of the merged LTC campuses and BRCC and provide for employee transitions due to the merger. Effective upon governor's signature.

EXPENDITURES	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Agy. Self-Gen.	\$326,096	\$652,192	\$1,951,080	\$1,951,080	\$1,951,080	\$6,831,528
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Expenditures from self-generated tuition revenues will increase by the following estimated amounts: FY 14 (\$326,096), FY 15 (\$652,192), and FY 16 and thereafter (\$1,951,080). The new combined BRCC will expend \$326,096 in new tuition and fees in FY 14 for the following purposes: roof repairs at the former Capital Area Technical College campuses (\$192,096), sealing firewall penetrations (\$5,531), install elevator room exhaust (\$6,738), replace door levers to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements (\$42,500), install vents for technical programs (\$16,000), and replace sinks and fixtures that are not ADA compliant (\$63,231). The new combined BRCC will expend \$652,192 in new tuition and fees in FY 15 for the following purposes: facade upgrades for the former Capital Area Technical College campuses (\$442,192), replace bathroom sinks and fixtures that are not ADA compliant (\$18,600), and replace the heating/air conditioning distribution system (\$191,400). The new combined BRCC will expend \$1,951,080 in new tuition and fees in FY 16 for the following purposes: replace doors that are not ADA compliant (\$65,266), replace floors representing life and safety hazards (\$29,567), replace heater units (\$31,979), installation of fire sprinkler system (\$373,188), and expand academic and technical course offerings by hiring additional faculty including associated costs (\$1,451,080). The new BRCC campuses will use \$1,951,080 in additional self-generated revenues from tuition and fees in FY 17 and thereafter to maintain/improve the campuses and expand technical and academic course offerings. The tuition increases proposed by the bill will not have a significant impact on TOPS expenditures because very few students are eligible for TOPS at affected institutions.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Self-generated revenues from tuition and fees will increase by the following estimated amounts: FY 14 (\$326,096), FY 15 (\$652,192), and FY 16 and thereafter (\$1,951,080). These increases in self-generated revenues are based on the following calculations: FY 14 (712 new students pay \$458 each in additional tuition), FY 15 (712 new students from FY 14 and 712 new students for FY 14 pay \$458 each in additional tuition), FY 16 and thereafter (all 4,260 students from the merged campuses pay \$458 each in additional tuition). The number of affected students increases dramatically from FY 15 to FY 16 because many students at the current LTC campuses typically take much longer than two years to complete their educational programs.

The proposed legislation does not include specific authority to increase tuition at the merged technical community college created by the bill. Act 196 of the 2011 Regular Legislative Session created a uniform tuition and mandatory fee structure for LCTCS institutions. Under the LCTCS tuition/fee structure created by Act 196, technical community colleges charge higher tuition and fees than technical colleges. The proposed legislation upgrades affected Louisiana Technical College (LTC) campuses to technical community colleges that are eligible for higher tuition and fees per Act 196 from 2011. The LCTCS has stated it's intention to increase tuition at the proposed merged campus beginning in Fall 2013.

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