



LEGISLATIVE HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING AND FORMULA TASK FORCE

NOTICE
AUGUST 25, 2026
9:00 AM
SENATE COMMITTEE ROOM A-B

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Appointment of Task Force Chair
- IV. Task Force Members Introduction
- V. Overview of Senate Resolution 172, 2026 Regular Legislative Session
- VI. Overview of Higher Education Funding
 - A. Overview of Higher Education Funding Formula
 - Elizabeth Bentley-Smith
Louisiana Board of Regents
 - B. Historical and National Trend Analysis of Higher Education Funding
 - Tom Harnisch and Dustin Weeden,
State Higher Education Executive Officers Association
 - C. Historical Analysis of Louisiana Higher Education Funding
 - Steven Procopio, PhD and Melinda Deslatte, Public Affairs
Research Council
- VII. Discussion of future meeting dates
- VIII. Other Business
- IX. Adjournment

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Senator Mike Reese, Chairman