



1           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
2 urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to conduct a  
3 thorough study of the prevalence and use of student fees in public elementary and secondary  
4 schools in Louisiana and to submit a written report of its findings and recommendations to  
5 the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education not later than  
6 March 1, 2017.

7           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study shall include but not be limited to the  
8 following:

9           (1) A comprehensive survey of the stated purpose and amount of each fee assessed  
10 to each student and his family in each public elementary and secondary school.

11           (2) Any trends in the prevalence and amount of such fees over time.

12           (3) The existence and use of fee waivers, including hardship and indigency waivers,  
13 at each such public school and the manner in which the existence of such waivers is  
14 communicated to students and parents.

15           (4) The total burden of such fees on families at each such public school.

16           (5) The relationship between the amount of such fees and the reasonable costs of a  
17 quality public education.

18           (6) The manner in which the proceeds of such fees are actually used by the school  
19 collecting the fees.

20           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all public elementary and secondary schools,  
21 school boards, and school administrators shall fully cooperate and shall provide such  
22 information, documents, and assistance to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary  
23 Education as may be appropriate in the completion of the study as provided by this  
24 Resolution.

25           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
26 president of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the state  
27 superintendent of education.

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**DIGEST**

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Requests the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education to study the prevalence and use of student fees in La. public elementary and secondary schools and to submit a written report of its findings and recommendations to the House and Senate education committees not later than March 1, 2017. Provides for matters to be included in the study.