

2020 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 113

BY SENATOR FIELDS

POSTSECONDARY ED. Provide with respect to the power, duties, functions of the Board of Regents. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3130(B), relative to postsecondary education; to provide
3 relative to the powers of the Board of Regents; to require the use of the funding
4 formula in making operating budget recommendations for all of postsecondary
5 education; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 17:3130(B) is hereby amended and reenacted:

8 §3130. Other powers

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10 B.(1)(a) All constitutional responsibilities of the Board of Regents, including
11 the development of a formula for equitable distribution of funds; **and the** provisions
12 of the master plan for postsecondary education, ~~and any other board policy that is~~
13 ~~part of a statewide plan or has statewide application~~, shall apply to all public
14 postsecondary education institutions.

15 (b) **The formula for the equitable distribution of funds shall be used to**
16 **develop operating budget recommendations submitted to the governor and**
17 **legislature.** Such formula for the ensuing year shall be annually reported to the

1 Senate Committee on Education, the Senate Committee on Finance, the House
2 Committee on Education, and the House Committee on Appropriations, not later
3 than March thirty-first of each year.

4 (2) In the event of a mid-year budget reduction affecting postsecondary
5 education and higher education, no such reduction shall disproportionately reduce
6 the total budgeted funding for any postsecondary or higher education system, ~~nor~~
7 ~~shall such a reduction result in a disproportional reduction for either division of the~~
8 ~~Louisiana Community and Technical College System.~~

9 (3) ~~The Board of Regents shall determine during the next Master Plan~~
10 ~~revision process the appropriate role of universities in offering associate degree~~
11 ~~programs in view of the creation of the Board of Supervisors of Community and~~
12 ~~Technical Colleges whose authority is limited to the management of institutions~~
13 ~~offering less than baccalaureate level certificates and degrees.~~

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15 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
16 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
17 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
18 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
19 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 Cheryl Serrett.

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Present law generally provides for the powers of the Board of Regents and provides for the use of the funding formula devised by the board.

Proposed law clarifies that the funding formula devised by the board shall be used to develop operating budget recommendations submitted to the governor and legislature.

Proposed law deletes outdated language regarding Louisiana Community and Technical College System.

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

(Amends R.S. 17:3130(B))