

**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original Senate Bill No. 293 by Senator Edmonds

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete lines 2 and 3, and insert:

3 "To amend and reenact R.S. 36:301(B) and (C)(2) and to enact R.S. 17:3138.12(D)(4),  
4 Chapter 11-A of Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S.  
5 23:1801, and R.S. 36:304(A)(10), relative to the Louisiana Workforce Commission; to  
6 provide for workforce development; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the  
7 secretary; to provide relative to the collection of integrated data; to provide for reporting  
8 requirements; to provide for"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 2

10 On page 1, between lines 6 and 7, insert:

11 "Section 1. R.S. 17:3138(D)(4) is hereby enacted to read as follows:  
12 §3138.12. Louisiana's Foundational Integrated Research System for Transformation  
13 (LA FIRST)

14 \* \* \*  
15 D. LA FIRST, using the data center services of the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco  
16 Public Policy Center, shall develop and annually publish the following reports:  
17 \* \* \*

18 **(4) Other ad hoc reports requested by any state entity listed in this**  
19 **Section, or other state entities with prior approval of all parties to the data**  
20 **sharing agreements associated with data used in developing the ad hoc report**  
21 **and with requisite funding.**

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23 AMENDMENT NO. 3

24 On page 1, line 7, change "Section 1." to "Section 2."

25 AMENDMENT NO. 4

26 On page 1, line 13, delete "**needs**"

27 AMENDMENT NO. 5

28 On page 2, line 7, after "**Corrections**" delete the remainder of the line and insert: "**, the**  
29 **Louisiana State University System,**"

30 AMENDMENT NO. 6

31 On page 2, line 8, after "**of**" delete "**the**"

32 AMENDMENT NO. 7

33 On page 2, line 9, change "**those**" to "**any**"

34 AMENDMENT NO. 8

35 On page 2, line 10, change "**provide**" to "**promote**"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 9

2 On page 2, line 13, after "**initiatives,**" insert "**ad hoc reports,**"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 10

4 On page 2, line 18, change "**Local**" to "**State and local**" and delete "**or parish or city**  
5 **economic development**"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 11

7 On page 2, delete line 19

8 AMENDMENT NO. 12

9 On page 2, between lines 19 and 20, insert:

10 "**(e) Parish or city economic development organizations.**  
11 **(f) Other ad hoc reports developed and published pursuant to the provisions of R.S.**  
12 **3138.12 at the request of the secretary of any state entity listed in that Section, or other**  
13 **state entities with prior approval of all parties to the data sharing agreements**  
14 **associated with data used in developing the ad hoc report and with requisite funding."**

15 AMENDMENT NO. 13

16 On page 2, line 24, change "**designing**" to "**developing**"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 14

18 On page 3, line 11, after "**fields,**" insert "**including**"

19 AMENDMENT NO. 15

20 On page 3, delete line 16, and insert "**reported to the state workforce investment council**  
21 **and Louisiana Economic Development, annually."**

22 AMENDMENT NO. 16

23 On page 3, line 19, after "**performance,**" delete the remainder of the line and add "**and**  
24 **report by February each year to the"**

25 AMENDMENT NO. 17

26 On page 3, line 23, change "**and**" to "**with**"

27 AMENDMENT NO. 18

28 On page 3, delete lines 28 and 29, and insert:

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30 **responsible for convening the state's economic sectors with the greatest**  
31 **workforce demand shortages to address solutions to the top three sector's**  
32 **shortages, annually. If the healthcare sector is determined to have workforce**  
33 **shortages, the recommendations shall be comprehensive to also include**  
34 **solutions for shortages of medical doctors and doctors of osteopathic medicine,**  
35 **especially in rural Louisiana, as well as nursing and allied health professionals."**

36 AMENDMENT NO. 19

37 On page 4, line 5, change "**degree**" to "**degrees**"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 20

2 On page 4, after line 5, insert the following:

3 "Section 3. R.S. 36:301(B) and (C)(2) are hereby amended and reenacted, and  
4 304(A)(10) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

5 §301. Louisiana Workforce Commission; creation; domicile; composition; purposes  
6 and functions

7 \* \* \*

8 B. The Louisiana Workforce Commission through its offices and officers,  
9 shall administer and enforce laws and programs designed to protect the economic  
10 and physical well-being of Louisiana's workforce **and pursue the availability of**  
11 **workforce to meet the needs of the economy.** The commission shall coordinate and  
12 administer programs conducted by the state, or jointly with federal agencies, in the  
13 area of labor-management relations, manpower evaluation and training, vocational  
14 rehabilitation, independent living, blind services, employment, unemployment and  
15 workers' compensation, job safety, and the licensing and regulation of certain types  
16 of work. **The commission shall be responsible for delivering workforce**  
17 **development solutions for businesses and economic sectors of the economy, and**  
18 **coordinating with other state agencies and offices for the delivery of workforce**  
19 **development solutions, as provided for in R.S. 23:1801.**The commission shall  
20 perform functions related to administration of the community services block grant  
21 for which provision is initially made in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of  
22 1981.

23 C.(1) \* \* \*

24 (2) **Except when changes are necessary for the efficient delivery of**  
25 **workforce development solutions for businesses and economic sectors of the**  
26 **economy, whenever** ~~Whenever~~ the secretary determines that the administration of  
27 the functions of the commission may be more efficiently performed by eliminating,  
28 merging, or consolidating existing offices or establishing new offices, he shall  
29 present a plan therefor to the legislature for its approval by statute.

30 \* \* \*

31 §304. Powers and duties of secretary

32 A. In addition to the functions, powers, and duties otherwise vested in the  
33 secretary by law, he shall:

34 \* \* \*

35 **(10) Be responsible for directing statewide workforce solutions and**  
36 **workforce policy to meet the needs of businesses, the state economy, and the**  
37 **economic sectors and regions of the state, in coordination with the secretary of**  
38 **Louisiana Economic Development, the superintendent of education, the**  
39 **commissioner of higher education, the president of the Louisiana Community**  
40 **and Technical College System, and other agencies as are related to this purpose.**

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