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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 161

BY REPRESENTATIVE BISHOP

COLLEGES/FINANCE: Requests the Bd of Regents to report in writing to the House education committee on actions taken by the board pursuant to SR No. 185 of the 2010 R.S. to implement certain recommendations of the Postsecondary Education **Review Commission**

A RESOLUTION

2	To urge and request the Board of Regents to report in writing to the House Committee on
3	Education on actions taken by the board pursuant to Senate Resolution No. 185 of
4	the 2010 Regular Session of the Legislature to implement certain recommendations
5	of the Postsecondary Education Review Commission.
6	WHEREAS, the Postsecondary Education Review Commission, established by Act
7	No. 309 of the 2009 Regular Session of the Legislature, made several recommendations with
8	respect to the state's postsecondary education funding formula and called for an increased
9	emphasis on quality and performance by Louisiana's public colleges and universities; and
10	WHEREAS, Recommendations 10(C) and 13, as contained in the final report issued
11	by the commission, recognized and addressed the funding gap that exists between the state's
12	Historically Black Colleges and Universities and other public postsecondary education
13	institutions; and
14	WHEREAS, Recommendation 10(C) called for additional funding to be provided to
15	the state's Historically Black Colleges and Universities until the funding gap is closed; and
16	WHEREAS, Recommendation 13 stated the commission's belief in both the
17	educational value of students learning in diverse educational environments and in the unique
18	and important mission of the state's Historically Black Colleges and Universities for
19	"fostering and expanding educational access, excellence, and success for all students,

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especially African-American and disproportionate numbers of low-income, first generation

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WHEREAS, Recommendation 13 further called for the Board of Regents to recommend to the legislature actions that will set aside, within the postsecondary education appropriations, a specific allotment of funds sufficient to enable the state's Historically Black Colleges and Universities to realize their important mission; and

WHEREAS Senate Resolution No. 185 of the 2010 Regular Session of the Legislature requested the Board of Regents to implement Recommendations 10(C) and 13 of the Postsecondary Education Review Commission relative to the provision of equitable and sufficient funding necessary for the state's Historically Black Colleges and Universities to achieve their unique and important institutional mission.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Board of Regents to report in writing to the House Committee on Education by not later than November 1, 2011, on actions taken by the board to implement Recommendations 10(C) and 13 of the Postsecondary Education Review Commission relative to the provision of equitable and sufficient funding necessary for the state's Historically Black Colleges and Universities to achieve their mission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the chairman of the Board of Regents and the commissioner of higher education.

DIGEST

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