

SENATE BILL NO. 46

BY SENATORS APPEL AND HEWITT AND REPRESENTATIVES AMEDEE,
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JEFFERSON, PYLANT AND THOMAS

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3128(A) and (B)(1) and (2), relative to postsecondary
3 education; to provide relative to the master plan for postsecondary education; to
4 provide for the review and revision of the master plan and mission statements for
5 public postsecondary education systems and institutions; and to provide for related
6 matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:3128(A) and (B)(1) and (2) are hereby amended and reenacted
9 to read as follows:

10 §3128. Power to formulate master plan; mission establishment

11 A.(1) The Board of Regents shall have the power to formulate and make
12 timely revision of a master plan for postsecondary education. As a minimum, the
13 plan shall include a formula for equitable distribution of funds to the institutions of
14 postsecondary education. The board shall submit its plan and formula for funding to
15 the governor and the legislature.

16 **(2)(a) The Board of Regents shall, at a minimum, review the master plan**
17 **for postsecondary education at least once every four years and revise as deemed**
18 **necessary and appropriate.**

19 **(b) The board shall review and submit a revised master plan to the**
20 **governor and the legislature not later than September 1, 2019.**

21 B.(1) After consultation with each postsecondary education management
22 board, the chancellor, and the president of each public institution of postsecondary
23 education, the Board of Regents shall devise, describe, and establish a mission for
24 each public **college and** university system and for each institution within each
25 system. Each mission statement shall be included in and form the basis of the master

1 plan provided for in Subsection A of this Section. Initial mission statements shall be
 2 completed no later than January 15, 1989, ~~shall be reviewed periodically, and shall~~
 3 ~~be individually revised as often thereafter as is necessary~~ **These mission statements**
 4 **shall be reviewed at least once every four years and revised as necessary and**
 5 **appropriate in order** to achieve and maintain the institutional balance necessary to
 6 **for** diversity, access, and excellence.

7 (2) The Board of Regents shall make such recommendations for legislative
 8 or gubernatorial action necessary to support the development of each system and
 9 institution as provided in its mission statement. ~~Annually, the~~ **Not later than**
 10 **January thirtieth of each year, the** board shall **submit a** report to the legislature
 11 and the governor on the status of ~~higher~~ **postsecondary** education relative to the
 12 mission statements, including in such report all revisions since the last report and any
 13 recommendations for legislative or gubernatorial action.

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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.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____