
DIGEST

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HCR No. 180

Requests the Board of Regents to:

- (1) Conduct a study of the bases and methodology of tuition charges at La.'s public postsecondary education institutions, particularly the feasibility and advisability of charging tuition for full-time students based on credit hours.
- (2) Determine the most effective bases and methodology for imposing tuition charges.

Provides that such study include consideration of all relevant issues, including but not limited to:

- (1) Detailed information on the bases for and methodology used for imposing current tuition charges at all public postsecondary education institutions, including all types of students and all programs of study.
- (2) Analyses of potential revenue that might be derived from imposing tuition on other bases, including but not limited to imposing tuition based on credit hour.
- (3) Analyses of any potential costs involved in imposing tuition on other bases.
- (4) Analyses of possible changes in the bases of imposing tuition on the cost of the TOPS scholarship and consideration of how those costs might be limited, including limitations on TOPS payments for credit hours in excess of degree requirements.
- (5) Analyses of potential incentives for completion of degree requirements and potential incentives for limiting enrolling in credit hours beyond degree requirements that may be created by charging tuition on other bases, including but not limited to credit hours, and potential budgetary effects of such incentives.
- (6) Any other issues and factors that may affect the board's determination of the most effective bases and methodology for imposing tuition.

Provides for the board to submit a written report of its findings and recommendations to the House and Senate committees on education not later than 60 days prior to the 2010 R.S.