

2026 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 178

BY SENATOR ALLAIN

COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES. Provides relative to the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center. (8/1/26)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3215(8), relative to the Louisiana State University  
3 Agricultural Center; to provide relative to authority; and to provide for related  
4 matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 17:3215(8) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §3215. Louisiana State University system

8 The Louisiana State University system is composed of the institutions under  
9 the supervision and management of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State  
10 University and Agricultural and Mechanical College as follows:

11 \* \* \*

12 (8) The Center for Agricultural Sciences and Rural Development, generally  
13 known as the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center, which ~~administers~~  
14 **shall administer** the agricultural extension and research programs of the board  
15 throughout the state. The center shall also be responsible for conducting river water  
16 research and agricultural youth development and education programs, including FFA  
17 and 4-H.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services. The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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## DIGEST

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Present law provides that the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center administers the agricultural extension and research programs.

Proposed law retains present law and clarifies that the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center must administer the agricultural extension and research programs.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 17:3215(8))