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SB 518 Engrossed

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Present law provides for the transfer of surplus immovable property to the division of administration. Further provides that the commissioner of administration administers lands and facilities owned or leased by the state and is an essential party to all transactions involving such properties.

Proposed law provides exceptions to present law for certain transactions involving immovable property performed by the board of supervisors of LSU-Baton Rouge.

Present law provides for the general powers, duties, and functions of postsecondary education management boards, including the power to buy, sell, transfer, or exchange property. Further provides that LSU-BR is the state's premier flagship university.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes the board of supervisors of LSU-BR to buy, sell, transfer, or exchange immovable property when the transaction meets certain criteria.

Proposed law requires that the property be located within East Baton Rouge Parish and no more than one mile from another property owned by LSU-BR; that for acquisitions, consideration be no more than fair market value; that for alienations, consideration be no less than fair market value; and that the board notify the state land office of the transaction in writing within five business days. Proposed law further provides that the authority granted in proposed law shall terminate on August 1, 2028.

Proposed law ratifies previous transaction done in accordance with proposed law.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 17:3351(A)(9))

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

##### Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill

1. Changes the geographic area surrounding the campus from one and one-half miles to one mile.
2. Requires special authorization to sunset in two years.