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DIGEST

John Smith (SB 207)

<u>Present law</u> provides for a special fund within the Employment Security Administration Fund (i.e., the fund in which employers deposit their unemployment insurance taxes).

<u>Present law</u> provides that monies from the special fund are to be used only for the purpose of upgrading employee job skills through training.

<u>Present law</u> provides that training is to be done by a third-party training provider selected by the applicant and approved pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated by the Louisiana Workforce Commission.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that third-party training may be provided by a La. college or university.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a La. college or university may subcontract with an out-of-state college or university to provide third-party training so long as the training takes place on the campus of a La. college or university or job site.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that prior to entering into an agreement with an out-of-state college or university, such La. college or university shall make an inquiry, in writing, to the commissioner of higher education to determine if such third-party training already exists at another La. college or university.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that if the commissioner of higher education advises the inquiring La. college or university within 15 days that another La. college or university already provides such third-party training, the inquiring college or university may contract with the college or university that already provides such third-party training.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that if the commissioner of higher education fails to advise the inquiring La. college or university within 15 days that another La. college or university already provides such third-party training, the inquiring college or university may contract with an out-of-state college or university to provide the actual training.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 23:1514(D)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to the engrossed bill

1. Adds a job site to the list of places where the training can take place.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Provides a process for determining whether third-party training exists on another Louisiana college or university.