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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 171

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

COLLEGES/SOUTHERN U: Requests that the Southern University Board of Supervisors submit a proposal to the Board of Regents for establishing an associate of applied science degree program in process technology

A RESOLUTION

2	To urge and request the Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Agricultural and
3	Mechanical College to submit a proposal to the Board of Regents for the
4	establishment of an associate of applied science degree program in process
5	technology for students enrolled in Southern University at Shreveport, which would
6	be provided on the campus of Southern University at Baton Rouge through the
7	Southern University College Connect Program.
8	WHEREAS, an associate of applied science degree program in process technology,
9	commonly known as PTEC, is a program that trains students to become process technicians
10	who control and monitor the systems that run industrial plants; and
11	WHEREAS, an additional PTEC program offered at a postsecondary education
12	institution in the Baton Rouge region would help area students prepare to obtain high paying
13	jobs and would help to meet expanding workforce demands for process technicians in
14	industries including the chemical, oil and gas, and pharmaceutical industries; and
15	WHEREAS, there is great interest in establishing a PTEC program on the campus
16	of Southern University at Baton Rouge (SUBR); and
17	WHEREAS, Article VIII, Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana grants certain
18	powers relating to public institutions of postsecondary education to the Board of Regents,
19	including the power to approve, disapprove, or modify a proposed degree program;
20	therefore, in order to establish an associate of applied science degree program in PTEC, the

1 Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College must 2 seek and obtain the approval of the Board of Regents; and 3 WHEREAS, the Board of Regents has issued a moratorium on the consideration of 4 proposed associate degree programs at four-year institutions; and 5 WHEREAS, one avenue for the establishment of such a program on the campus of 6 SUBR, which is a four-year institution, is to provide this instruction through the Southern 7 University College Connect Program; and 8 WHEREAS, under this model, students would be admitted to and enroll in Southern 9 University at Shreveport (SUSLA), their home campus, but would receive instruction at 10 SUBR, their host campus; and 11 WHEREAS, a PTEC program for SUSLA students offered in Baton Rouge through 12 the Southern University College Connect Program would offer a rigorous study of various 13 process technologies and would prepare students to work in this growing and high demand 14 field; and 15 WHEREAS, in order to train students with the hands-on skills they need to enter the 16 workforce and to satisfy the hiring demands of Louisiana industries in plants, refineries, and 17 other industrial facilities, it is appropriate that an associate of applied science degree 18 program in process technology be established at Southern University at Shreveport and 19 provided at Southern University at Baton Rouge through the Southern University College 20 Connect Program. 21 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 22 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Board of Supervisors of Southern 23 University and Agricultural and Mechanical College to submit a proposal to the Board of 24 Regents for the approval of the establishment of an associate of applied science degree 25 program in process technology for students enrolled in Southern University at Shreveport, 26 which would be provided on the campus of Southern University at Baton Rouge through the 27 Southern University College Connect Program. 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted 29 to the chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Agricultural and 30 Mechanical College.

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DIGEST

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Requests that the Southern University (SU) Bd. of Supervisors submit a proposal to the Bd. of Regents for the approval of an associate of applied science degree program in process technology for students enrolled in SU at Shreveport, which would be provided on the campus of SU at Baton Rouge through the SU College Connect Program.