

**GREEN SHEET REDIGEST**

**HB 119**

**2021 Regular Session**

**Hughes**

**HIGHER ED/BD REGENTS: Provides relative to the Advisory Council on Historically Black Colleges and Universities.**

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DIGEST

Present law provides for the Advisory Council on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) composed of 23 members.

Proposed law adds a new student member to the council who is serving as student body president of an HBCU and who is annually selected by the other HBCU student body presidents.

Present law requires the council to advise the commissioner of higher education on methods to improve HBCUs and to improve the ways in which the state serves HBCUs and to strengthen the capacity of HBCUs to participate in federal and state programs and in La.'s workforce and economic development activities.

Proposed law requires the council to submit an annual report to the House and Senate education committees detailing its findings or recommendations.

(Amends R.S. 17:3138.7(B)(intro para); adds R.S. 17:3138.7(B)(24) and (G)(4))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the engrossed bill

1. Amends the membership to include an additional member who shall be an HBCU student body president.
2. Removes the president of the La. Association of Independent Colleges and Universities from the membership.