



1 implementing digital identification systems capable of verifying age or identity through  
2 secure, encrypted platforms; and

3 WHEREAS, Louisiana may benefit from evaluating whether student identification  
4 cards, physical or digital, could be integrated into a secure digital verification framework  
5 that meets ATC standards for age and identity verification; and

6 WHEREAS, such a study would allow policymakers to assess potential benefits,  
7 including convenience for students, modernization of verification processes, and reduction  
8 of fraudulent identification, while also evaluating risks related to privacy, cybersecurity, and  
9 institutional capacity.

10 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
11 does hereby urge and request the office of alcohol and tobacco control and the Board of  
12 Regents to conduct a joint study on the feasibility of allowing student identification cards  
13 issued by Louisiana postsecondary institutions to be used for digital identification  
14 verification, including but not limited to age verification for alcohol and tobacco purchases.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study shall include, at minimum:

16 (1) An evaluation of technological requirements and security standards necessary for  
17 digital verification.

18 (2) An assessment of privacy and data-protection implications for students and  
19 institutions, as well as savings for both.

20 (3) A review of potential costs, funding needs, and implementation timelines.

21 (4) Consultation with Louisiana higher education systems, campus security officials,  
22 relevant technology experts, and best practices from other states.

23 (5) Identification of any statutory or regulatory changes required to authorize such  
24 use.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the office of alcohol and tobacco control and the  
26 Board of Regents shall submit a written report of findings and recommendations to the  
27 Senate Committee on Judiciary B and the Senate Committee on Education no later than  
28 February 1, 2027.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
30 commissioner of the office of alcohol and tobacco control and the commissioner of higher

