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18 WHEREAS, to consider but one example, tuition and fees at Southeastern Louisiana  
19 University, according to data from the Southern Regional Education Board for the 2009-  
20 2010 academic year, was about sixty-three percent of the median tuition and fees charged  
21 by its peer institutions while Louisiana State University was charging tuition and fees at a

1 rate that was over seventy-three percent of those charged by its peers and Louisiana Tech  
2 University at nearly ninety percent of its peers; and

3 WHEREAS, the GRAD Act does not discriminate between institutions in its  
4 expectation for continuous improvement of performance, but a plan is needed to eliminate  
5 the discrimination in tuition and to reduce the disparity in the time it will take institutions  
6 to reach the tuition level that is authorized by the GRAD Act.

7 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
8 urge and request the Board of Regents to study the disparity in tuition charged at public four-  
9 year universities as compared to their Southern Regional Education Board peers, to develop  
10 a proposal for amending the GRAD Act in a way that will mitigate the disparity, and to  
11 submit the proposal to the legislature not later than sixty days prior to the beginning of the  
12 2012 Regular Session of the Legislature.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
14 chairman of the Board of Regents and the commissioner of higher education.

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#### DIGEST

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