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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> La. Comm. and Tech. Colleges Board of Supervisors	
<b>Subject:</b> Authorizes increases in tuition and mandatory fees	<b>Analyst:</b> Travis McIlwain

STUDENT/TUITION RE +\$5,300,000 SG RV See Note Page 1 of 1

Authorizes the La. Community and Technial Colleges System Board of Supervisors to increase tuition and mandatory fee amounts at institutions under its supervision and management and permits the uniform imposition of tuition and mandatory

Authorizes, with certain limitations, the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges to increase resident tuition and mandatory fee amounts at institutions under its supervision and management. The board's authority relative to increases for students at community colleges and at technical-community colleges differs from the board's authority relative to increases for students at the La. Technical College. The increase in amounts at community colleges and at technical-community colleges are effective beginning with the fall semester of the 2011-2012 academic year; the increase in amounts at the La. Technical College is to be implemented in equal amounts over the next three academic years. Provides for waivers of an increase or increases in cases of financial hardship. Permits the board to provide for the uniform imposition of tuition and mandatory fee amounts for students on a per credit hour basis not exceed a 12 hour cap. Effective upon governor's signature.

EXPENDITURES	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$5,300,000	\$7,850,000	\$10,400,000	\$10,400,000	\$10,400,000	\$44,350,000
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$5,300,000	\$7,850,000	\$10,400,000	\$10,400,000	\$10,400,000	\$44,350,000

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Increasing the tuition for LCTCS campuses will result in an indeterminable increase in TOPS funding. According to the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA), approximately 2.26% of all TOPS funding goes toward tuition payments of community and technical college system campuses. For **illustrative purposes**, to the extent this percentage is in effect in FY 12 and subsequent fiscal year, the SGF impact could be a minimum of \$137,800 in FY 12, \$204,100 in FY 13 and \$270,400 in FY 14 and in subsequent fiscal years.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

The proposed legislation gives the LCTCS board the authority to adopt uniform tuition and mandatory fees for students at community and technical colleges. Until the board takes action, the specific revenue increases are indeterminable. However, based upon the current proposal by the LCTCS, the proposed bill will increase self-generated revenues approximately \$5.3 million in FY 12, \$7.9 million in FY 13 and \$10.4 million in subsequent fiscal years. These projections are based upon current tuition and fee collection data for all community colleges and technical colleges as well as the latest available enrollment data.

Due to the potential significant tuition increase in one year, the LCTCS Board indicates the technical college increase would be staggered over a 3-year period, while the community college increase would be immediately implemented. Currently, the community college tuition rate per credit hour ranges from \$136/credit hour to \$442/credit hour. This bill would allow the board to adopt a uniform tuition schedule.

The current proposal provides for all community colleges to charge a uniform \$113/credit hour as to opposed to the current process of charging more per credit hour the fewer credit hours a student is enrolled. The LCTCS proposal provides for the charge per credit hour to range from \$113/credit hour for all campuses as opposed to the current tuition charges which range from \$113 to \$442 for 1 credit hour up to \$1,068 to \$1,356 for 12+ credit hours (12 hour cap).

Due to the proposed increase in the technical college tuition from \$80 for 1 credit hour and \$628 for 12+ credit hours (current cap) up to a uniform \$83/credit hour, the proposed legislation allows the LCTCS to implement the technical college increase over a 3-year period. To the extent the technical college increases were implemented in one year, those students taking at least 12 hours would experience a \$368 increase (from \$628 to \$996).

The tuition amounts calculated above are based on current student enrollments by credit hour at the college current tuition rates as compared to the bill's proposed tuition rates.

Senate	Dual Referral Rules	House	<i>Evan Brasseaux</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)1 >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S}	
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)2 >= \$100,000 Annual SGF Cost {H&S}	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}		<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	<b>Evan Brasseaux Staff Director</b>