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ACT No. 196

HOUSE BILL NO. 526

BY REPRESENTATIVES ROBIDEAUX, CARMODY, CARTER, DOERGE, GISCLAIR,
GUINN, HARDY, HENDERSON, HENSGENS, PATRICIA SMITH, AND ST.
GERMAIN

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:3351(A)(5)(b)(iii)(cc), to authorize the Board of Supervisors of
3 Community and Technical Colleges to increase tuition and mandatory fee amounts
4 at institutions under its supervision and management; to provide limitations; to
5 provide applicability; to provide for implementation, including provisions for the
6 uniform imposition of tuition and mandatory fee amounts on a per-credit-hour basis;
7 to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 17:3351(A)(5)(b)(iii)(cc) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §3351. General powers, duties, and functions of college and university boards

11 A. Subject only to the powers of the Board of Regents specifically
12 enumerated in Article VIII, Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and as
13 otherwise provided by law, each postsecondary system management board as a body
14 corporate shall have authority to exercise power necessary to supervise and manage
15 the day-to-day operations of institutions of postsecondary education under its
16 control, including but not limited to the following:

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18 (5)

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20 (b)

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1 (cc)(I) Notwithstanding the limitation provided by Subitem (aa) of this Item
2 or any authority provided to the board by this Subparagraph and in accordance with
3 Article VII, Section 2.1 of the Constitution of Louisiana, the Board of Supervisors
4 of Community and Technical Colleges is authorized to increase the tuition amount
5 and the mandatory fee amount applicable to resident students at community and at
6 technical-community colleges under its supervision and management provided the
7 total combined tuition and mandatory fee amounts for an academic year do not
8 exceed the highest total combined tuition and mandatory fee amounts in effect for
9 such students on July 1, 2011. Increases in tuition and mandatory fee amounts
10 pursuant to this Subsubitem shall be effective beginning with the fall semester of the
11 2011-2012 academic year and continuing thereafter. Additionally, the board may
12 provide for the uniform imposition of tuition and mandatory fees amounts for
13 students at community and at technical-community colleges under its supervision
14 and management on a per-credit-hour basis; however, total amounts charged on a
15 per-credit-hour basis shall not exceed the maximum amounts for full-time status
16 otherwise authorized by this Subsubitem.

17 (II) Notwithstanding the limitation provided by Subitem (aa) of this Item or
18 any authority provided to the board by this Subparagraph and in accordance with
19 Article VII, Section 2.1 of the Constitution of Louisiana, the Board of Supervisors
20 of Community and Technical Colleges is authorized to increase the tuition amount
21 and the mandatory fee amount applicable to resident students at the Louisiana
22 Technical College provided the total combined tuition and mandatory fee amounts
23 do not exceed two thousand dollars for an academic year or comparable period of
24 time. Any increase in amounts shall be implemented in such a manner that one-third
25 of the increase shall be effective beginning with the fall semester of the 2011-2012
26 academic year and continuing thereafter, an additional one-third shall be effective
27 beginning with the fall semester of the 2012-2013 academic year and continuing
28 thereafter, and the final one-third shall be effective beginning with the fall semester
29 of the 2013-2014 academic year and continuing thereafter. Additionally, the board
30 may provide for the uniform imposition of tuition and mandatory fee amounts for

1 students at the Louisiana Technical College on a per-credit-hour basis; however, total
2 amounts charged on a per-credit-hour basis shall not exceed the maximum amounts
3 for full-time status otherwise authorized by this Subsubitem.

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5 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
6 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
7 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
8 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
9 effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____