

2015 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 11

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POSTSECONDARY ED. Creates task force to study the postsecondary education disciplinary process for campus rape and sexual assault.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To create a task force to study the postsecondary education disciplinary process for campus  
3 rape and sexual assault.

4 WHEREAS, according to a United States Justice Department special report issued  
5 in December of 2014, females within the eighteen to twenty-four year age group had the  
6 highest rate of rape and sexual assault victimizations for the study period from 1995 through  
7 2013; and

8 WHEREAS, rape and sexual assault victimizations of students were more likely than  
9 nonstudent victimizations to go unreported to police; and

10 WHEREAS, eighty percent of the offenders were known to the victim prior to the  
11 rape or sexual assault; and

12 WHEREAS, more than forty percent of schools in a national survey have not  
13 conducted a single rape or sexual assault investigation in the last five years; and

14 WHEREAS, more than seventy percent of the schools in a national survey do not  
15 have protocols regarding how the institution and local law enforcement should work together  
16 to respond to sexual violence; and

17 WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana and its citizens have an interest in the prevention  
18 of rape and sexual assault on its college campuses, as well as the disciplinary process for

1 rape and sexual assault.

2           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
3 does hereby create a task force to study the postsecondary education disciplinary process for  
4 campus rape and sexual assault.

5           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall consist of the following  
6 members:

7           (1) One member of the Louisiana Senate appointed by the president.

8           (2) One member of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker.

9           (3) One student member appointed by the student representative of the Board of  
10 Regents.

11           (4) One member appointed by the board of directors of the Louisiana Foundation  
12 Against Sexual Assault.

13           (5) One member appointed by the board of directors of the Sexual Trauma  
14 Awareness and Response Center.

15           (6) One member appointed by the board of directors of Louisiana Progress.

16           (7) One member appointed by the board of directors of the Louisiana Association of  
17 Independent Colleges and Universities.

18           (8) The executive director of the office on women's policy of the Department of  
19 Children and Family Services, or his designee.

20           (9) One member appointed by the Board of Regents.

21           (10) One member appointed by the Louisiana State University Board of Supervisors.

22           (11) One member appointed by the Southern University Board of Supervisors.

23           (12) One member appointed by the University of Louisiana System Board of  
24 Supervisors.

25           (13) One member appointed by the Louisiana Community and Technical College  
26 Board of Supervisors.

27           (14) One member appointed by the board of directors of the Louisiana District  
28 Attorney's Association.

29           (15) One member who is a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program Director  
30 appointed by the president of the Senate.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the member of the Louisiana Senate appointed  
2 by the president shall serve as chair of the task force.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that members of the task force shall serve without  
4 compensation, except per diem or expense reimbursement to which they may be individually  
5 entitled as members of their constituent organizations.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall report its findings to the  
7 Senate Committee on Education and the Board of Regents no later than January 8, 2016.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
9 persons or organizations with appointing authority for the task force.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

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## DIGEST

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- (3) One student member appointed by the student representative of the Board of Regents.
- (4) One member appointed by the board of directors of the Louisiana Foundation Against Sexual Assault.
- (5) One member appointed by the board of directors of the Sexual Trauma Awareness and Response Center.
- (6) One member appointed by the board of directors of Louisiana Progress.
- (7) One member appointed by the board of directors of the Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities.
- (8) The executive director of the office on women's policy of the Department of Children and Family Services, or his designee.
- (9) One member appointed by the Board of Regents.
- (10) One member appointed by the Louisiana State University Board of Supervisors.
- (11) One member appointed by the Southern University Board of Supervisors.
- (12) One member appointed by the University of Louisiana System Board of Supervisors.
- (13) One member appointed by the Louisiana Community and Technical College Board of Supervisors.

- (14) One member appointed by the board of directors of the Louisiana District Attorney's Association.
- (15) A Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program Director appointed by the president of the Senate.

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