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**AGENDA**  
**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

**April 24, 2013**

**2:30 p.m.**

Claiborne Building  
Louisiana Purchase Room 1-100  
1201 North Third Street  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. 2013 Legislative Session Updates
  - A. Update on Board of Regents' Bills
  - B. Update on Bills Impacting Higher Education
  - C. Bills Being Monitored
- IV. Response to Board Member request for information
  - A. Actuarial Basis for Employer Contributions
  - B. Legal Requirement for Tuition Increases
- V. Other Business
- VI. Adjournment

**Committee Members:** Robert Levy, Chair; Joe Wiley, Vice Chair; Joel Dupré; Chris Gorman; Richard Lipsey; Edward Markle; Roy Martin III; Louisiana Community and Technical College System Representative; Louisiana State University System Representative; Southern University System Representative; University of Louisiana System Representative

# 2013 Bills to Monitor

## A. Board of Regents

1. **SB 16 Long**-Provides for the definition of “regular retirement plan” for higher education employees participating in the Teachers’ Retirement System of Louisiana
2. **HB 194 Leger**-Provides relative to the authority of public postsecondary education management boards to increase tuition and mandatory fee amounts
3. **HB 299 Carmody**-Changes the reporting date for submitting the postsecondary education funding formula to the legislature

## B. Higher Education Bills

1. **SB 31 Claitor**-Enacts Board Scholarship Reporting Act relative to scholarships awarded by members of higher education management boards (gov sig)
2. **SB 36 Heitmeier**-Prohibit smoking on the grounds of and inside the facilities or buildings utilized by the institutions managed and supervised by certain post secondary education management boards
3. **SB 45 Dorsey-Colomb and Representative Berthelot**-Merges certain La. Technical College campuses with Baton Rouge Community College
4. **SB 59 Buffington**-Requires the board of supervisors for the Louisiana State University, Southern University, University of Louisiana, and Louisiana Community and Technical College Systems to broadcast the live audio and video of all board meetings
5. **SB 83 Morrish**-Establishes a cap on TOPS award amounts
6. **SB 93 Nevers**-Provides for the awarding and transfer of college credit for academic content in career and technical and industry-based certification courses
7. **SB 117 Appel**-Provides for the creation of the Outcomes-Based Funding Task Force (gov sig)
8. **SB 118 Appel**-Provide relative to the use, expenditure, or allocation of funds appropriated to public postsecondary education management boards (gov sig)
9. **SB 196 Donahue**-Provides for the annual reporting to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget by departments and public postsecondary education management boards on enacted legislation with significant fiscal impact
10. **SB 202 Nevers**-Revises core curriculum requirements and the method of calculating the grade point average for TOPS awards (gov sig)
11. **SB 204 Adley**-Provides to the issuance of bonds to finance capital improvements for the Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges System
12. **HB 6 Schroder**-Provides that the crime of carrying a firearm or dangerous weapon on school property shall not apply to off-duty law enforcement officers
13. **HB 87 Carmody**-Constitutional Amendment exempts public postsecondary education tuition and fees from requirements for imposing a new or increasing an existing fee

14. **HB 185 Cox**-Authorizes a tax credit for donations made to the La. Community and Technical College System
15. **HB 207 Carmody**-Authorizes each public postsecondary education management board to name a building at an institution under its supervision and management in honor of a living person
16. **HB 212 Brossett**-Provides relative to the creation of a statewide mapping and planning system for certain schools
17. **HB 243 Carter**-Provides relative to the eligibility of certain students who graduate from certain out-of-state or out-of-country high schools to receive a Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) award
18. **HB 292 Jefferson**-Provides relative to the transfer of a certain parcel of land from La. Tech University to the City of Ruston
19. **HB 320 Leger**-Provides relative to the casino support services contract
20. **HB 401 Carter**-Authorizes the public postsecondary education management boards to increase tuition and fee amounts under certain circumstances
21. **HB 421 Ponti**-Adds a fee at license renewal for contractors dedicated to certain schools of construction management or construction technology
22. **HB 509 Carter**-Provides relative to the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students
23. **HB 528 Garofalo**-Providing for a single board of colleges and universities that issues baccalaureate degrees or higher
24. **HB 549 Leger**-Establishes the MediFund for statewide advancement of biosciences and medical centers of excellence
25. **HB 558 Hollis**-Provides generally relative to the "Course Choice Program"
26. **HB 576 Broadwater**-Creates a special taxing district to provide a supplemental means of financing higher education
27. **HB 612 Greene**-Permits use of TOPS awards at eligible La. Institutions by otherwise qualified students who graduated from out-of-state colleges or universities
28. **HB 673 Adams**-Provides relative to facilities maintenance and repair at public postsecondary education institutions

### **C. Concurrent Resolutions**

1. **SCR 1 Cortez**-Suspends Chapter 7 of Subtitle II of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 1399.1 through 1399.7.
2. **HCR 2 Harrison**-Suspends provisions of law providing for the Cash Balance Plan in certain retirement systems
3. **HCR 16 Pope**-Requests that the Board of Regents, in consultation with the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges, study the feasibility of offering community college services in Livingston Parish
4. **HCR 21 Talbot**-Directs the attorney general to review and report to the legislative governmental affairs committees and requests the governmental affairs committees to study and make recommendations all relative to the use of public funds for lobbying and public relations purposes