

# ACT No. 53

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 72

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS AND SENATOR FOIL

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3138.5(D)(3) and (4)(introductory paragraph) and (E) and to  
3 enact R.S. 17:3138.5(F), relative to postsecondary education; to authorize the Board  
4 of Regents to establish additional tiers of recognition for institutions designated as  
5 military and veteran friendly campuses; to increase the duration of the designation;  
6 to provide relative to renewal and reporting; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:3138.5(D)(3) and (4)(introductory paragraph) and (E) are hereby  
9 amended and reenacted and R.S. 17:3138.5(F) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §3138.5. Military and veteran friendly campus; designation; process; eligibility;  
11 applications

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13 D.

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15 (3) Designation of an institution as a "Governor's Military and Veteran  
16 Friendly Campus" shall apply for ~~one year~~ two years.

17 (4) After receiving the initial designation by the governor; and in accordance  
18 with timelines established by the board, an institution ~~annually~~ shall submit a  
19 renewal application to the Board of Regents prior to the expiration of a designation  
20 ~~in accordance with the timelines established by the board~~ and an interim report in  
21 each year it is not submitting a renewal application. Each renewal application and

1 interim report shall include, ~~a report that~~, at a minimum, ~~contains~~ all of the following  
2 information from the previous year as it relates to veterans:

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4 E. The Board of Regents may establish additional tiers of distinction for the  
5 purpose of recognizing higher levels of excellence demonstrated by institutions that  
6 have received the designation provided for in this Section. If the board establishes  
7 additional tiers, it shall provide for the criteria for each tier and the associated  
8 application process.

9 ~~E. F.~~ For purposes of this Section, "veteran" shall have the meaning as  
10 provided in R.S. 13:5364.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_