

SENATE BILL NO. 31

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:1608, relative to public postsecondary education management boards; to provide relative to scholarships awarded by members of public postsecondary education management boards; to provide certain terms, conditions, procedures, prohibitions, and requirements; to provide certain reporting requirements; to provide for reference and citation as the Board Scholarship Reporting Act; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:1608 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1608. Scholarship awarded by members of public postsecondary education management boards; report

A. The chief executive officer of each public postsecondary education management board shall annually report to the legislature every scholarship awarded by a member of the management board for the preceding academic year.

B. The report shall be submitted electronically to the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives no later than August first of each year. The report shall be a public record. The management board shall contemporaneously make the report available on its website for public inspection.

C. The report shall provide the name of each scholarship recipient, the name of the board member making the award, whether such scholarship

1 consists of a waiver of tuition or a cash award, or both, and the annual dollar
2 value of the scholarship. If the scholarship includes a cash award, the source of
3 such funds shall be identified.

4 D. The information included in the report shall be considered directory
5 information as defined by the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy
6 Act, without further limitation by the public postsecondary institution. No other
7 personally identifiable information in the student educational records of a
8 scholarship recipient shall be included in the report, unless authorized by such
9 federal act.

10 E. The failure to submit the report required by this Section shall suspend
11 the power of all members of the management board to further award any such
12 scholarships until the report has been submitted as required.

13 F. The provisions of this Section shall be known and may be cited as the
14 Board Scholarship Reporting Act.

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

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____