

SENATE BILL NO. 358

BY SENATOR DONAHUE

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3139.5(5)(c)(i), relative to the Louisiana Granting Resources and Autonomy for Diplomas Act; to provide relative to certain public postsecondary education institutions' authority to participate in a pilot procurement code; to provide for participation by all institutions under the same postsecondary education management board; to provide for the approval of the division of administration and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 17:3139.5(5)(c)(i) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§3139.5. Autonomies granted

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, each institution that enters into a performance agreement shall be granted the authorities and autonomies as provided in this Section. However, nothing herein shall suspend the requirements of R.S. 39:1593.1.

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(5) Operational autonomies.

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(c) High level.

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(i) Authority to participate in a pilot procurement code as established by the initial qualifying institution **in each postsecondary educational system** to be in place for an initial period of three years and approved by the division of administration. The initial qualifying institution shall **in each postsecondary educational system may** establish ~~any~~ **a** pilot procurement code pursuant to rules

1 and regulations adopted in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act. An  
 2 institution granted this autonomy may use this pilot procurement code in lieu of the  
 3 Louisiana Procurement Code as provided in R.S. 39:15.3, 196 through 200, 1481  
 4 through 1526, and 1551 through 1755, subject to the prior review and approval of the  
 5 Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. **Any extension beyond the initial**  
 6 **period of three years shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on**  
 7 **the Budget for review and approval for a period not to exceed three years. Any**  
 8 **changes to the pilot procurement plan after the approval for any three-year**  
 9 **period shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget for**  
 10 **approval. With the approval of the division of administration and the Joint**  
 11 **Legislative Committee on the Budget, a pilot procurement code may provide**  
 12 **that other institutions under the same postsecondary education management**  
 13 **board as the initial qualifying institution may utilize the pilot procurement code,**  
 14 **provided the procurement is conducted under the auspices of a shared services**  
 15 **model managed by the qualifying institution.**

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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