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HOUSE MEMBERS VOTE FOR OR AGAINST THE FOLLOWING:

LSU, Southern University, and creates the La. University System Board of Trustees.

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA-THURSDAY APRIL 29, 2010 - On yesterday, members of the House Education Committee voted either for or against LSU, Southern University, Louisiana Tech University, McNeese State University, Grambling State University, Nicholls State University, Northwestern University, Southeastern University, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, and University of Louisiana at Monroe.

HB No. 996, by Rep. Jim Tucker, proposed the abolishment of the LSU Board, Southern University Board, and UL board and sought to create a consolidated board without any considerable data that the consolidation would not adversely affect the Universities. After an incomprehensive one year, study House Members have decided to vote for a consolidated Higher Education Board. This study did not offer solid reassurance that our higher education institutions would not experience set-backs nor did it reveal substantial benefits.

The following members voted in support of the above listed systems: Rep. Aubert, Rep. Chaney, Rep. Dixon, Rep. Edwards, Rep. Hardy, Rep. Ritchie, Rep. Schroder, and Rep. Smith. **The following members voted against the support of the above listed systems:** Rep. Hoffman, Rep. Armes, Rep. Carmody, Rep. S. Carter, Rep. Chandler, Rep. Downs, Rep. Richardson, and Rep. Thibaut.

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