



# AUTONOMY EXTENSION **HB 26**

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## THE GOAL

This bill extends, with limitations, the current fee autonomy for institutions set to sunset in June.

## COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS

- In the wake of the pandemic, the need to continue this autonomy is more important than ever as campus landscapes strengthen online education platforms and ensure social distancing.
- This ongoing evolution requires flexibility so that future fees accurately reflect students' needs and expectations.
- Several schools are currently offering fee-free and discounted summer and fall classes. This would not be possible, if not for this autonomy.

## FACTS & FIGURES

- No general fees at colleges or universities were raised in FY20.
- A minimum of 5% of fee collections generated by this autonomy goes toward need-based aid for Louisiana's most vulnerable students.