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MERGER OF CAPITAL AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE AND BATON ROUGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- Proposes the merger of Capital Area Technical College and Baton Rouge Community College in an effort to improve the two-year college experience and services provided to the citizens of Greater Baton Rouge.
- Senate Concurrent Resolution 17 (2012) by Senator Yvonne Dorsey-Colomb directed the Board of Regents and the Board of Supervisors of The Louisiana Community and Technical College System to study the feasibility of merging Capital Area Technical College and Baton Rouge Community College.
- The study recommended, "...accelerate the merger of Capital Area Technical College and Baton Rouge Community College..."
- Senator Yvonne Dorsey-Colomb will be the sponsor for legislation that will merge Capital Area Technical College with Baton Rouge Community College.
- Merger will go into effect on or after July 1, 2013.
- The merger will:
 - Result in greater efficiency
 - Eliminate the duplication of efforts
 - Strategically target more resources into Career and Technical Education and Workforce Training
 - Improve access to two-year college services for the citizens of the greater Baton Rouge region
- The bill will require that students who were enrolled in Technical Education courses during the 2012-2013 academic year be held harmless for two-years and not pay more than the technical college rate.
- The merged institution will be accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools which has provisions to fully support technical education and the technical faculty.