

RESET is a targeted, nonpartisan effort led by the **Committee of 100 (C100)**, the **Council for A Better Louisiana (CABL)**, and the **Public Affairs Research Council (PAR)** focused on four state policy issues: education, state finance, criminal justice, and transportation infrastructure.

2021 REGULAR SESSION POLICY PRIORITY:

Raise Education Attainment and Build Workforce

Raise education attainment in Louisiana and strengthen the state's workforce by increasing the number of citizens with a high-quality postsecondary credential – building the talent pool Louisiana needs for today's economy.

01

SUPPORT EFFORTS TO EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULT WORKERS

At a time when more than a million Louisiana working-aged adults have a high school diploma or less and the cost of education and training programs have seen significant increases, Louisiana must find new ways to enhance workforce training opportunities for its citizens. RESET supports efforts to expand financial aid for adult learners in credit and non-credit programs leading to high-quality jobs in targeted industry sectors.

02

SUPPORT EFFORTS TO MAKE COLLEGE MORE AFFORDABLE

Louisiana has set an ambitious goal to increase the number of citizens with postsecondary education credentials to 60% by 2030. But it comes as the cost of earning those credentials is increasingly out of reach for many Louisiana families. RESET supports efforts to address affordability including increased resources for GO Grants, expanded financial aid options, open resource textbooks, and new education delivery models.

03

SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF A STREAMLINED, LONGITUDINAL DATA SYSTEM THAT WILL ALLOW K-12 AND POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION TO BETTER EVALUATE STUDENT SUCCESS, MAKE INFORMED POLICY DECISIONS, AND MEET WORKFORCE NEEDS

Louisiana is doing much to help students prepare for meaningful careers, but because of data gaps it is difficult to determine how effective these efforts are in ensuring that students end up with good jobs that strengthen our economy. Louisiana should follow the lead of other states by establishing a uniform system that more efficiently uses data to drive decision making, while strongly protecting student privacy.