

Faculty Senate Resolution 14–06

HB244 and the Sale of Firearms on Campuses

*Introduced at the request of Southeastern Louisiana University Faculty Senate President
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WHEREAS university campuses are an inappropriate venue for the auctioning and sale of firearms on;

WHEREAS universities, along with laboratory schools and all other institutions of higher learning, should be gun-free zones;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT that the LSU Faculty Senate joins with other Faculty Senates in the state of Louisiana in opposing HB244, a pending measure in the Louisiana legislature, which “provides with respect to the lease of property at public postsecondary education institutions to nonprofit corporations or associations to hold fundraisers that include the auctioning and sale of firearms”;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the LSU Faculty Senate intends its expression of opposition to HB244 not as an a criticism of Second Amendment rights, but rather as an issue of appropriateness of venue, ethics, priorities, safety, and public concern;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT while the leasing of property belonging to public postsecondary education institutions may well be a helpful strategy to gather revenue, the auctioning and sale of firearms is nevertheless inappropriate on a campus dedicated to primarily to research and education.