During its meeting of February 11, 2010, the Faculty Senate of Southern University and A&M College took the following positions with respect to the State of Louisiana's waiver application to the Department of Education and with respect to Tucker Commission’s recommendations.

Whereas the State of Louisiana had a budget surplus of over one billion dollars upon the arrival of Governor Jindal,

Whereas the governor led the move for the successful repeal of the Stelly tax plan,

Whereas Louisiana higher education would have folded at the beginning of 2008 or 2009 without money from the stimulus plan, and

Whereas the current budget of Louisiana is based on the price of oil at $53 per barrel and oil is currently selling at $75 per barrel, which provides additional money

Be it resolved that we, the Faculty Senate of Southern University and A&M College, support the position of the Faculty Senate of Louisiana State University and A&M College, and that we further request the Secretary of the Department of Education that no waiver for cuts to higher education be granted without a full hearing to ascertain all the facts concerning the Louisiana State budget.