



Response to tax reform briefing

LOUISIANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Chuck Kleckley, Speaker

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Speaker ready to get started on tax plan

BATON ROUGE – In response to Speaker of the House Chuck Kleckley’s request for Governor Bobby Jindal to present details of his tax reform plan to legislators by March 15, the Governor spoke at a briefing today of the House Ways and Means Committee and Senate Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Committee to present details of his plan.

The Speaker thanked the governor for a prompt response on getting this information to the legislature. “I am happy to see this request being honored in a timely manner. My intention has always been to fulfill the needs of the members of the House of Representatives and our constituents, and getting this information in time to be reviewed before session is the best way to accomplish that.”

“Other states all across the country are watching what we do,” Kleckley said, “This is a bold step and others are sure to follow.”

House staff is now working to put together an unofficial draft of the bill for the first House Ways and Means Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 19 on the tax reform plan. Additional meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, March 26 and Tuesday, April 2.

“It is important that everyone has a chance to review the proposal and be able to provide input. We need a tax policy that is going to be beneficial to our citizens and keeps moving our state forward,” Kleckley said.

“We have a big job to create legislation that is fair,” House Ways and Means Chairman Joel Robideaux, R-Lafayette, said, “and most importantly try to make a major reform that is in the best interest of the citizens of Louisiana.”

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