

AGENDA

House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development

Wednesday, May 3, 2023
Committee Room 3
9:00 a.m.

Chairman: Jack G. McFarland
Vice Chairman: Dustin Miller

Staff: Lashay Masami, legislative analyst
Ashley Davillier, committee administrative assistant

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

_____	HR 68	THOMAS	HORTICULTURE Urges and requests Louisiana state agencies to prioritize native plant species in landscaping state properties, except for invasive plant species listed on the Louisiana Wildlife Action Plan
_____	HCR 45	DEVILLIER	AGRICULTURE Creates the Louisiana Solar Siting Task Force to study the impact of, and alternatives to, locating solar energy developments on farmland
_____	HB 33	MCFARLAND	AGRICULTURE Modifies structural pest control provisions related to the registered technician examination and the appointment of research committee members
_____	HB 36	JOHNSON, TRAVIS	DISTRICTS/SPECIAL Provides for the Delta Agriculture Research and Sustainability District
_____	HB 60	ECHOLS	WEIGHTS/MEASURES Provides for the regulation of fueling stations for electric vehicles
_____	HB 125	ECHOLS	AGRICULTURE Provides relative to agriculture land protection against foreign adversaries

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Presentation by Sydney Bruchhaus, Annie Heard, and Lauren Poole - La. Future Farmers of America

Presentation by Dr. Mike Strain, Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry, and Joey Breaux, Assistant Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry - La. Department of Agriculture and Forestry, Office of Soil and Water Conservation

Presentation by La. Native Plant Society

Adoption of minutes from meetings of the House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development held in the 2022 Regular Session on April 7, April 20, April 28, May 5, and May 12, 2022.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

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A. Any interested person or any committee member may file with the committee a prepared statement concerning a specific instrument or matter under consideration by the committee or concerning any matter within the committee's scope of authority, and the committee records shall reflect receipt of such statement and the date and time thereof.

B. Any person who files a prepared statement which contains data or statistical information shall include in such prepared statement sufficient information to identify the source of the data or statistical information. For the purposes of this Paragraph, the term "source" shall mean a publication, website, person, or other source from which the data or statistical information contained in the prepared statement was obtained by the person or persons who prepared the statement.

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