

Fiscal Note Review Committee

Minutes of Meeting
2016 First Extraordinary Session
February 26, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Chris Broadwater, chairman of the Fiscal Note Review Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. in Room 3, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Chris Broadwater, chairman
Representative Cameron Henry
Representative James H. "Jim" Morris

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mary F. Quaid, attorney
Karen Stephens, secretary

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Beverly Vincent, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION

Representative Broadwater stated that he invited Representative Abramson to join the committee for the meeting but he would not vote. He explained that the Fiscal Note Review Committee exists pursuant to House Rule 7.16, which states in part that whenever the author of a measure questions the information contained in a fiscal note, he may request the committee review the content of the fiscal note. When the committee receives such a request, it will review the fiscal note within three days and will notify the author whether the committee approves the information contained within the fiscal note, or recommends that a revised fiscal note be obtained. If the Fiscal Note Review Committee fails to make a determination regarding the fiscal note within the time period provided for, the fiscal note is deemed approved.

Fiscal Note Review of:

House Bill No. 61 by Representative Jay Morris

Representative Jay Morris presented House Bill No. 61, which dedicates the avails of the existing one percent state sales and use tax to the Stability in Higher Education Fund and provides with respect to the extent of that tax base for purposes of monies available for deposit into the fund, and detailed his issues with the bill's fiscal note.

Mr. John Carpenter, interim legislative fiscal officer, and Ms. Deborah Vivian, explained how legislative fiscal office staff acquired the relevant information and prepared the fiscal note.

Secretary Kimberly Robinson, Department of Revenue (no witness card provided), spoke for information only.

Representative Jim Morris offered a motion to request the author work with Legislative Fiscal Office staff to review/adjust the fiscal note for House Bill No. 61. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 3 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Broadwater, Henry, and Jim Morris voted yea.

House Bill No. 101 by Representative Jackson

Representative Jackson presented House Bill No. 101, which provides for the extent of applicability of various exclusions and exemptions from state sales and use tax, and deferred her discussion time to Representative Stokes.

Representative Jim Morris offered a motion to request the author work with Legislative Fiscal Office staff to review/adjust the fiscal note for House Bill No. 101. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 3 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Broadwater, Henry, and Jim Morris voted yea.

House Bill No. 104 by Representative Stokes

Representative Stokes presented House Bill No. 104, which provides for the tax base for the state sales and use tax, and detailed her issues with the bill's fiscal note.

Representative Jim Morris offered a motion to request the author work with Legislative Fiscal Office staff to review/adjust the fiscal note for House Bill No. 104. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 3 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Broadwater, Henry, and Jim Morris voted yea.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

The minutes from the previous day's meeting, February 25, 2016, were presented to the committee for approval. Representative Jim Morris offered a motion to approve the minutes. Without objection, the minutes were approved by a vote of 3 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Broadwater, Henry, and Jim Morris voted yea.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Chris Broadwater
Fiscal Note Review Committee

Date adopted: