

## **House Committee on Ways and Means**

Minutes of Meeting  
2016 Regular Session  
May 2, 2016

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Representative Neil C. Abramson, Chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means, called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. in Room 6, in the State Capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The secretary called the roll.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Representative Neil C. Abramson, Chairman  
Representative Chris Broadwater  
Representative Paula P. Davis  
Representative Phillip R. DeVillier  
Representative Stephen C. Dwight  
Representative Jimmy Harris  
Representative Stephanie Hilferty  
Representative Dodie Horton  
Representative Mike Huval  
Representative Barry Ivey  
Representative Edward C. "Ted" James, II  
Representative John C. "Jay" Morris, III  
Representative James H. "Jim" Morris, Vice Chairman  
Representative Julie Stokes  
Representative Major Thibaut

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Representative Joseph Bouie, Jr.  
Representative Marcus L. Hunter  
Representative Robert A. Johnson  
Representative Thomas P. Willmott

#### **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ms. Alison Pryor, Deputy Director  
Ms. Elise C. Read, Legislative Analyst

Ms. Gay Owens, Secretary

**ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:**

Ms. Janet Anthony, Sergeant at Arms

Mr. M. J. Hernandez, Clerk

**III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**

**Senate Bill No. 99 by Senator Gary Smith**

Senator Gary Smith presented Senate Bill No. 99, which provided relative to sales by minors engaging in business.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Jay Morris offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 99 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 99 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on Senate Bill No. 99 is available upon request.

**Senate Bill No. 433 by Senator Morrell**

Senator Morrell presented Senate Bill No. 433, which provided for the activities and responsibilities of the State Bond Commission.

Representative Abramson offered amendments to remove requirements for the commission to adopt rules and regulations concerning its review procedures, and also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

Representative Abramson offered a motion to allow the staff to make technical amendments to the title to conform with the previously adopted amendment. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

Representative Abramson offered an amendment to add authorization for the commission to consider matters that are not on the agenda, and adds requirement for the approval of a majority of the

commission members from each house of the legislature voting separately. Representative Abramson also offered a motion to adopt the amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

Representative Abramson offered an amendment to add authority for the selection of a chairman by a two-thirds vote of the membership of the commission, including a majority vote of the commission members from each house of the legislature voting separately. Representative Abramson also offered a motion to adopt the amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Abramson offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 433 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 433 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

Present to provide information were Ms. Lela Folse, Director of the State Bond Commission, 900 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 219-1134, and Mr. Ron Henson, First Assistant to the Treasurer, and Mr. Thomas Enright, Executive Counsel, Department of Treasury, 900 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-0010.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on Senate Bill No. 433 is available upon request.

### **House Bill No. 605 by Representative Jones**

Representative Jones presented House Bill No. 605, which required the advance payment of sales tax.

Representative Abramson offered amendments to return to the policy in effect in 2007, but limited to sales of alcohol and tobacco products. Representative Abramson also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Abramson offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 605. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 605 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 10 yeas and

0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 605 is available upon request.

#### **Senate Bill No. 40 by Senator Perry**

Senator Perry presented Senate Bill No. 40, which re-created the income tax checkoff donation for Friends of Palmetto Island State Park.

Representative Abramson offered an amendment to add *January 1, 2020*, as a sunset date, and also offered a motion to adopt the amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Jim Morris offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 40 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 40 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

#### **House Bill No. 607 by Representative Reynolds**

Representative Abramson offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 607, which exempted certain Department of Wildlife and Fisheries' projects from the Capital Outlay process. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 607 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 607 is available upon request.

#### **House Bill No. 235 by Representative Talbot**

Representative Talbot presented House Bill No. 235, which required the Joint Legislative Committee on Capital Outlay (JLCCO) to approve line of credit recommendations for state and non-state entity projects.

Representative Jay Morris offered amendments to require that a waiver of local match requirements receive the approval of the JLCCO; and to require that any request for a change in the project's

priority receive the approval of the JLCCO before submission to the Interim Emergency Board (IEB). He also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Jay Morris offered a motion to report House Bill No. 235 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 235 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 235 is available upon request.

### **House Bill No. 115 by Representative Jay Morris**

Representative Jay Morris presented House Bill No. 115, which required the JLCCO to approve line of credit recommendations for non-state entity projects.

Representative Jay Morris offered amendments to require that a waiver of local match requirements receive the approval of the JLCCO; and to require that any request for a change in the project's priority receive the approval of the JLCCO before submission to the IEB. He also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

Representative Abramson offered a motion to allow staff to make technical changes to House Bill No. 115. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Jay Morris offered a motion to report House Bill No. 115 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 115 was reported with amendments by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

**House Bill No. 228 by Representative Richard**

Representative Richard presented House Bill No. 228, which required the JLCCO to approve line of credit recommendations for state and non-state entity projects.

Representative Abramson offered amendments to require that a waiver of local match requirements receive the approval of the JLCCO; and to require that any request for a change in the project's priority receive the approval of the JLCCO before submission to the IEB. He also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Abramson offered a motion to report House Bill No. 228 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 228 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

**House Bill No. 686 by Representative Richard**

Representative Abramson offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 686, which prohibited the recommendation and approval of line of credit recommendations for certain capital outlay projects.

Without objection, action on House Bill No. 686 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

**House Bill No. 191 by Representative Garofalo**

Representative Abramson offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 191, which requires the JLCCO to approve line of credit recommendations for state and non-state entity projects.

Without objection, action on House Bill No. 191 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

**House Bill No. 234 by Representative Talbot**

Representative Abramson offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 234, which required the JLCCO to approve line of credit recommendations for non-state entity projects.

Without objection, action on House Bill No. 234 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

**House Bill No. 448 by Representative Gregory Miller**

Representative Abramson offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 448, which prohibited the State Bond Commission from approving the issuance of any bonds secured by payments out of Highway Fund No. 2.

Without objection, action on House Bill No. 448 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

**House Bill No. 784 by Representative Abramson**

Representative Abramson presented House Bill No. 784, which provided relative to the Capital Outlay budget submission.

Representative Jim Morris offered amendments to add certain requirements to the Capital Outlay project application process, and offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Abramson offered a motion to report House Bill No. 784 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 784 was reported with amendments by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

**Senate Bill No. 414 by Senator Luneau**

Senator Luneau presented Senate Bill No. 414, which provided for the application of a premium, if any, in connection with the issuance of bonds.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Jay Morris offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 414 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 414 was reported favorably by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

#### **House Bill No. 1129 by Representative Stokes**

Representative Stokes presented House Bill No. 1129, which established a procedure for coordinated audits of certain dealers who collect state and local sales and use taxes in multiple parishes.

Representative Stokes offered technical amendments, and also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Stokes offered a motion to report House Bill No. 1129 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 1129 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 1129 is available upon request.

#### **House Concurrent Resolution No. 52 by Representative Stokes**

Representative Stokes presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 52, which provided for the legislative intent of Act No. 425 from the 2015 Regular Session of the Legislature.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Stokes offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Concurrent Resolution No. 52. Without objection, action on House Concurrent Resolution No. 52 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.



**House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 by Representative Stokes**

Representative Stokes presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 54, which provided for the legislative intent of Act No. 451 of the 2015 Regular Session.

Representative Stokes offered amendments for provisions relative to brokers, and also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Stokes offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 with amendments. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

**House Bill No. 1103 by Representative Stokes**

Representative Stokes presented House Bill No. 1103, which provided relative to extensions of time for filing Louisiana individual income tax returns.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Stokes offered a motion to report House Bill No. 1103 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 1103 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Stokes voted yea.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 1103 is available upon request.

**House Bill No. 1060 by Representative Stokes**

Representative Stokes presented House Bill No. 1060, which provided relative to the Sales Tax Streamlining and Modernization Commission.

Representative Stokes offered amendments to remove the changes to committee voting requirements and reports. She also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Stokes voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Stokes offered a motion to report House Bill No. 1060 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 1060 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Stokes voted yea.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 1060 is available upon request.

### **House Bill No. 1121 by Representative Leger**

Representative Leger presented House Bill No. 1121, which established notification and reporting requirements relative to retail sales made in Louisiana by remote retailers.

Representative Abramson offered amendments relative to rulemaking authority and established a deadline for annual notices and statements. He also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, and Jim Morris voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Jay Morris offered a motion to report House Bill No. 1121 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 1121 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, and Jim Morris voted yea.

Present to provide information were Ms. Emily Toler, Department of Revenue, 617 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 219-2780, and Mr. Greg Albrecht, Chief Economist of the Legislative Fiscal Office, 900 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-7233.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 1121 is available upon request.

### **House Bill No. 950 by Representative Foil**

Representative Foil presented House Bill No. 950, which established a rebate for companies which receive a federal Small Business Innovation Research Grant.

Representative Abramson offered amendments relative to provisions for rebates and exclusions, and also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted

by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Jimmy Harris, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Davis offered a motion to report House Bill No. 950 with amendments with the recommendation that it be recommitted the House Committee on Appropriations. Without objection, House Bill No. 950 was reported with amendments with the recommendation that it be recommitted the House Committee on Appropriations by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, and Jim Morris voted yea.

Present to speak in support were Mr. Andrew McCandless, President of Bascom Hunter, 7117 Florida Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225) 590-3553; Mr. Dino Paternostro, Louisiana Regional Leadership Council, no address provided, (504) 756-7904; Mr. Michael DiResto, Baton Rouge Area Chamber, 564 Laurel Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70801, (225) 933-2800; Mr. Alex Reed, Chief Executive Officer of APMT, Inc., 1078 South Gayoso Street, New Orleans, LA 70125, (504) 777-2804; and Ms. Caitlin Berni, Greater New Orleans, Inc., 1100 Poydras Street, #3475, New Orleans, LA 70163, (985) 502-7688.

Present to provide information were Mr. Greg Albrecht, Chief Economist of the Legislative Fiscal Office, 900 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-7233; Ms. Mandi Mitchell, Assistant Secretary of the Department of Economic Development, 1051 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-6499; and Mr. Roy Keller, Louisiana Technology Transfer Office, 8000 Innovation Park Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70820, (225) 578-3985.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 950 is available upon request.

### **House Bill No. 1110 by Representative Broadwater**

Representative Broadwater presented House Bill No. 1110, which authorized the state and local governing authorities to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement and Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement with corporate taxpayers for certain transportation investments in exchange for future ad valorem property tax rebates.

Representative Broadwater offered a substitute bill to House Bill No. 1110, which authorizes the state and/or local governments to enter into cooperative endeavor agreements with a private entity, for the private entity to make an advanced payment of taxes owed. Representative Broadwater also offered a motion to adopt the substitute bill. Without objection, the substitute bill was adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, Davis, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Jay Morris, and Jim Morris voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Broadwater offered a motion to report House Bill No. 1110 by substitute. Without objection, House Bill No. 1110 was reported by substitute by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 1110 is available upon request.

#### **House Bill No. 1037 by Representative Connick**

Representative Abramson offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 1037, which established notification and reporting requirements relative to retail sales made in Louisiana by remote retailers. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 1037 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

#### **House Bill No. 1120 by Representative Schroder**

Representative Schroder presented House Bill No. 1120, which created the Louisiana Tax Institute within the Dept. of Revenue as an advisory body on tax-related matters.

Representative Abramson offered amendments to add certain requirements for any recommendations from the Louisiana Tax Institute. He also offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

Representative Abramson offered a technical amendment, and also offered a motion to adopt the amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, James, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, Stokes, and Thibaut voted yea.

There was no further discussion on the bill.

Representative Jay Morris offered a motion to report House Bill No. 1120 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 1120 was reported with amendments by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, Broadwater, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

A copy of the witness cards for individuals (who were present, but did not testify) in support of, in opposition to, and to provide information on House Bill No. 1120 is available upon request.

#### **IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

#### **V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

#### **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Abramson offered a motion to adjourn the meeting. Without objection, the motion to adjourn passed by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Abramson, DeVillier, Dwight, Hilferty, Horton, Huval, Ivey, Jay Morris, Jim Morris, and Thibaut voted yea.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Neil C. Abramson  
House Committee on Ways and Means