

## **House Committee on Insurance**

Minutes of Meeting  
2017 Regular Session  
May 18, 2017

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

Representative Kirk Talbot, chairman of the House Committee on Insurance, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. in Room 3, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Representative Kirk Talbot, chairman  
Representative Mark Abraham  
Representative Chad Brown  
Representative Gregory Cromer  
Representative Paula P. Davis  
Representative Cedric B. Glover  
Representative Paul Hollis  
Representative Mike Huval  
Representative Edmond Jordan  
Representative Vincent J. Pierre  
Representative Alan Seabaugh  
Representative Major Thibaut, vice chairman

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Representative John F. "Andy" Anders  
Representative Robby Carter

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

David Marcuse, attorney  
Shana Veade, attorney  
Christie L. Russell, secretary

#### **ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:**

K. McNight, sergeant at arms  
Hunter Sikaffy, clerk

### III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

#### **Senate Bill No. 44 by Senator John Smith**

Senator John Smith presented Senate Bill No. 44, which provides relative to the sale of policies issued by the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation.

Denise Gardner, representing the Department of Insurance, 1702 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-7276, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 44.

Representative Huval offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 44 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 44 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Talbot, Abraham, Chad Brown, Cromer, Glover, Hollis, Huval, Jordan, Seabaugh, and Thibaut voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not want to speak are as follows: 1 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

#### **Senate Bill No. 45 by Senator John Smith**

Senator John Smith presented Senate Bill No. 45, which provides relative to the definition of ocean marine insurance.

Warren Byrd, representing the Department of Insurance, 1702 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-9203, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 45.

Representative Talbot offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 45 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 45 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Talbot, Abraham, Chad Brown, Cromer, Glover, Hollis, Huval, Jordan, Seabaugh, and Thibaut voted yea.

#### **House Bill No. 664 by Representative Hoffmann**

Representative Hoffmann presented House Bill No. 664, which provides relative to the insurance premium tax credit.

Representative Talbot offered a motion to report House Bill No. 664 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 664 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Talbot, Abraham, Chad Brown, Cromer, Davis, Glover, Hollis, Huval, Jordan, Seabaugh, and Thibaut voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not want to speak are as follows: 3 in support and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

**Senate Bill No. 184 by Senator Luneau**

Senator Luneau presented Senate Bill No. 184, which provides for the removal of an offset or credit against uninsured motorist coverage when the carrier is insolvent.

John Wells, representing LIGA, 445 North Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 291-7300, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 184.

Stephanie Laborde, representing LIGA, 445 North Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 291-7300, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 184.

Representative Chad Brown offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 184 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 184 was reported favorably by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Talbot, Abraham, Chad Brown, Davis, Glover, Huval, Jordan, Seabaugh, and Thibaut voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not want to speak are as follows: 1 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

**Senate Bill No. 56 by Senator Long**

On behalf of Senator Long, Ron Henderson, representing the Department of Insurance, 1702 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 219-4771 presented Senate Bill No. 56, which provides for the self-reporting of administrative actions against an insurance producer by nongovernmental regulatory authorities.

Jeff Albright, representing the Independent Insurance Agents of Louisiana, 18153 East Petroleum Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (225) 819-8007, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 56.

Ronnell Nolan, representing HAFA, P.O. Box 65128, Baton Rouge, LA 70896, (225) 921-6711, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 56.

Mr. Robert Wooley, representing the Professional Insurance Agents of Louisiana, 450 Laurel Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (225) 336-5200, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 56.

Representative Thibaut offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on Senate Bill No. 56. Without objection, action on Senate Bill No. 56 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Talbot, Abraham, Chad Brown, Davis, Glover, Huval, Jordan, Pierre, Seabaugh, and Thibaut voted yea.

**IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Kirk Talbot  
House Committee on Insurance

Date adopted: