

## **House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs**

Minutes of Meeting  
2018 Regular Session  
April 17, 2018

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

Representative, chairman of the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs, called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. in Room 2, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Representative Gary M. Carter, Jr.  
Representative Jimmy Harris  
Representative Lance Harris  
Representative Sam L. Jenkins, Jr.  
Representative John C. "Jay" Morris, III  
Representative Stephen E. Pugh, vice chairman  
Representative Robert E. Shadoin  
Representative Michael E. Danahay, chairman

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Representative Dorothy Sue Hill  
Representative Barry Ivey  
Representative Gregory A. Miller

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

Patricia Lowrey-Dufour, legislative analyst  
Mark Mahaffey, attorney  
Shawn O'Brien, secretary

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

Vivien Hurst, sergeant at arms  
Christina Porter, clerk

### III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

#### **House Concurrent Resolution No. 1 by Representative Hollis**

Representative Hollis presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 1, which creates the Sanitary Sewer Systems Overflows Commission.

Representative Danahay offered amendments to terminate the commission on March 1, 2019. Representative Danahay offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Danahay offered technical amendments. Representative Danahay offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Jenkins offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 1 with amendments. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

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

#### **House Bill No. 97 by Representative Crews**

Representative Crews presented House Bill No. 97, which authorizes a qui tam action for persons who disclose certain cases of fraud.

Representative Danahay offered amendments requested to add charges to reimbursable expenses. Representative Danahay offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Crews provided a handout, Exhibit A, which is included in the committee records.

Representative Danahay offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 97. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 97 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

**House Bill No. 839 by Representative Lyons**

Representative Lyons presented House Bill No. 839, which provides for election sections for the Juvenile Court for the Parish of Jefferson.

Representative Gary Carter offered amendments to change the boundaries of the election sections and specify that the precincts referenced are those contained in the "2017 Precinct Shapefiles" published on the Louisiana House of Representatives website, to change the effectiveness of all the provisions to be upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action, and to make technical changes relative to the assignment of the judgeships to the elections sections.

Representative Gary Carter offered a motion to adopt the amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Gary Carter offered a motion to report House Bill No. 839 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 839 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

**House Bill No. 730 by Representative Terry Landry**

Representative Terry Landry presented House Bill No. 730, which adopts the Interstate Corrections Compact in Louisiana.

Jonathan Vining, Louisiana Department of Corrections, 504 Mayflower, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, 225-936-6598, spoke for information only on the bill.

Representative Danahay offered technical amendments. Representative Danahay offered a motion to adopt the proposed technical amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Danahay offered a motion to report House Bill No. 730 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 730 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

**House Bill No. 760 by Representative Jay Morris**

Representative Jay Morris presented House Bill No. 760, which requires agencies to provide specified information to the legislature upon request.

Representative Jay Morris offered amendments to provide that the proposed law would not apply to records otherwise protected by applicable law. Representative Jay Morris offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and

0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Jay Morris offered a motion to voluntarily defer action and to reschedule House Bill No. 760 for further discussion. Without objection, House Bill No. 760 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

### **House Bill No. 649 by Representative Gaines**

Representative Gaines presented House Bill No. 649, which provides for automatic voter registration through driver's license facilities.

Dylan Waguespack, Center for Secure and Modern Elections, 687 North 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, 804-480-7496, spoke in support of the bill.

Joe Salter, office of the secretary of state, P. O. Box 94125, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, 225-931-1209, spoke for information only on the bill.

Sherri Wharton Hadskey, office of the secretary of state, P. O. Box 14179, Baton Rouge, LA 70809, 225-603-8583, spoke for information only on the bill.

Lani Durio, office of the secretary of state, P. O. Box 94125, Baton Rouge, LA, 225-931-1209, spoke for information only on the bill.

Scott Mayers, office of the secretary of state, 8585 Archives Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70809, 225-922-0626, spoke for information only on the bill.

Representative Jenkins offered a motion to report House Bill No. 649 favorably, to which Representative Shadoin objected. The secretary called the roll, and the motion failed to pass by a vote of 3 yeas and 4 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, and Jenkins voted yea. Representatives Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted nay.

Representative Danahay offered a motion to involuntarily defer action on House Bill No. 649. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 649 was involuntarily deferred by a vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

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

### **House Bill No. 818 by Representative Hilferty**

Representative Gary Carter presented House Bill No. 818, which creates the Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies Advisory Council, on behalf of the author.

Representative Danahay offered technical amendments. Representative Danahay offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Jenkins offered a motion to report House Bill No. 818 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 818 was reported with amendments by a vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in support and 2 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

### **Senate Bill No. 312 by Senator LaFleur**

Senator LaFleur presented Senate Bill No. 312, which revises the procedure regarding meetings to propose or renew taxes and to call an election.

Representative Danahay offered technical amendments. Representative Danahay offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the technical amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Gary Carter offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 312 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 312 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 5 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

### **House Bill No. 99 by Representative Jackson**

Representative Jackson presented House Bill No. 99, which provides for the Louisiana Complete Count Committee.

Representative Pugh offered amendments to add to the membership of the committee one member selected by the Louisiana Association of Broadcasters. Representative Pugh offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Gary Carter offered a motion to report House Bill No. 99 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 99 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

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

### **Senate Bill No. 33 by Senator Colomb**

Senator Colomb presented Senate Bill No. 33, which names the LSU Health North Clinic and Urgent Care facility in Baton Rouge the "Willie F. Hawkins Emergency Care Center".

Representative Danahay offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on Senate Bill No. 33. Without objection, action on Senate Bill No. 33 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Jimmy Harris, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Jay Morris, Pugh, Shadoin, and Danahay voted yea.

### **IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

### **V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

### **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Michael E. Danahay  
House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_

The committee has acknowledged on \_\_\_\_\_, that these minutes were prepared in accordance with the rules of the House of Representatives.