

**House Committee on Education
and
House Committee on Health and Welfare**

Minutes of Meeting
2020 Second Extraordinary Session
September 30, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Raymond E. Garofalo, Jr., chairman of the House Committee on Education and House Committee on Health and Welfare, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. in Room 5, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Raymond E. Garofalo, Jr., chairman
Representative Beryl A. Amedée
Representative Kendricks "Ken" Brass
Representative Rick Edmonds
Representative Aimee Adatto Freeman
Representative Barbara Reich Freiberg
Representative Stephanie Hilferty
Representative Patrick O. Jefferson
Representative Blake Miguez
Representative Charles Anthony Owen
Representative Vincent "Vinney" J. St. Blanc, III
Representative Phillip Eric Tarver
Representative Polly Thomas
Representative Mark Wright, vice chairman
Representative Lawrence A. "Larry" Bagley, chairman
Representative Raymond J. Crews
Representative Michael Charles Echols
Representative Jason Hughes
Representative C. Travis Johnson
Representative Ed Larvadain, III
Representative Wayne McMahan
Representative Dustin Miller
Representative Patricia "Pat" Moore
Representative Robert "Bob" Owen
Representative Thomas A. Pressly

MEMBERS PRESENT (continued):

Representative Larry Selders
Representative Christopher Turner, vice chairman

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Gary M. Carter Jr.
Representative Tammy T. Phelps
Representative Roy Daryl Adams
Representative Robby Carter
Representative Kenny R. Cox
Representative Julie Emerson
Representative Joseph A. Stagni

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Elizabeth L. Borne, legislative analyst
Lisa Lovello, legislative analyst
Jacqueline Snowden, committee administrative assistant
Drew Murray, legislative analyst
Shayla Cockerm, attorney
Felicie Jackson, committee administrative assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Faye Talbot, sergeant at arms
Danny Leming, sergeant at arms

III. BUSINESS

Discussion of Proclamation No. 117 JBE 2020 relative to the limitation on occupancy at athletic events

Robert Douie, 5206 Lone Pine Lane, Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (504) 451-2979, offered comments in opposition to limiting occupancy at athletic events.

Susan Raborn, 1323 Chippenham Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, (225) 978-1490, offered comments in opposition to limiting occupancy at athletic events.

Discussion of Louisiana Department of Health Emergency Order No. 2020-COVID 19-001 on school reporting and data sharing with respect to COVID-19

Discussion of procedures by which the Louisiana Department of Health, Office of Public Health compiles and reports parish-level COVID-19 data

Discussion regarding any studies or research upon which restrictions set forth in Louisiana's Phase 3 order (Proclamation Nos. 117 JBE 2020 and 123 JBE 2020) are based

The following people spoke on several agenda items:

Dr. Jimmy Guidry, Louisiana Department of Health, 628 North Fourth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-9509, spoke for information only.

Dr. Joseph Kanter, Louisiana Department of Health, 628 North Fourth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-9509, spoke for information only.

Kenny Havard, 5498 Highway 61, St. Francisville, LA, (225) 721-7949, spoke for information only.

Courtney Phillips, Louisiana Department of Health, no witness card provided, spoke for information only.

Dr. Catherine O'Neal, Our Lady of the Lake, 5000 Hennessy, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, (225) 765-5219, spoke for information only.

Dr. John A. Vanchiere, Louisiana Chapter of the American Association of Pediatrics, 6409 Birnamwood, Shreveport, LA 71106, (318) 458-5309, spoke for information only.

Matthew Block, 900 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-7015, spoke for information only.

Witness cards submitted by those who did not speak are as follows: 2 in support, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE

There were no other matters.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Tarver offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Garofalo, Amedée, Brass, Edmonds, Freeman, Freiberg, Hilferty, Jefferson, Miguez, Charles Owen, St. Blanc, Tarver, Thomas, Wright, Bagley, Crews, Echols, Hughes, Travis Johnson, Larvadain, McMahan, Dustin Miller, Moore, Robert Owen, Pressly, Selders, and Turner voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Raymond E. Garofalo, Jr.
House Committee on Education and House Committee on Health and Welfare

Date adopted: