

**House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works  
and  
Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works**

Minutes of Joint Meeting  
2020-2021 Interim  
September 16, 2020

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Representative Vincent Pierre, chairman of the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. in Room 5, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**HOUSE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Representative Vincent Pierre, chairman  
Representative Ken Brass, vice chairman  
Representative Mack Cormier  
Representative Kathy Edmonston  
Representative Michael Firment  
Representative Barbara Freiberg  
Representative Ed Larvadain  
Representative Pat Moore  
Representative Charles Owen  
Representative Robert Owen  
Representative Rodney Schamerhorn  
Representative Larry Selders

**HOUSE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Representative Foy Gadberry  
Representative Dodie Horton  
Representative C. Travis Johnson

**SENATE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Rick Ward, chairman  
Senator Louis Bernard  
Senator J. Rogers Pope  
Senator Edward J. "Ed" Price  
Senator Gary L. Smith, Jr.

**SENATE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator Patrick McMath, vice chairman  
Senator Barrow Peacock

**HOUSE STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

LeeAnne Sharlow, attorney  
Angelique R. Mozee, committee administrative assistant

**SENATE STAFF PRESENT:**

Xavier Alexander, attorney  
Sharon Lyles, attorney  
Candace Shields, secretary

**ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:**

Fay Talbot, House sergeant at arms  
Fate Mitchell, Senate sergeant at arms

**III. DISCUSSION**

**To receive public input and to approve the Port Construction and Development Priority Program projects for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 pursuant to R.S. 34:3453**

Mr. Randall Withers, Department of Transportation and Development, port program, 1201 Capitol Access Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, (225) 379-3065, spoke for information only on the approval of the Port Construction and Development Priority Program projects for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. He provided a handout, Exhibit A, which is included in the committee records.

Ms. Renee Lapeyrolerie, commissioner, Department of Transportation and Development, multimodal commerce, 1201 Capitol Access Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, (225) 379-3029, spoke for information only on the approval of the Port Construction and Development Priority Program projects for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Representative Larvadain offered a motion to approve the Port Construction and Development Priority Program projects for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Without objection, the projects were approved by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representative Pierre, Brass, Cormier, Edmonston, Firment, Freiberg, Larvadain, Moore, Charles Owen, Robert Owen, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

Senator Price offered a motion to approve the Port Construction and Development Priority Program projects for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Without objection, the projects were approved by a vote of 5 yeas and 0 nays. Senators Ward, Bernard, Pope, Price, and Smith voted yea.

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

**IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Ward offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 5 yeas and 0 nays. Senators Ward, Bernard, Pope, Price, and Smith voted yea.

Senator Ward offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Pierre, Brass, Cormier, Firment, Freiberg, Gadberry, Horton, C. Travis Johnson, Larvadain, Charles Owen, Robert Owen, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Vincent Pierre  
House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Date adopted: \_\_\_\_\_

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