

House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice

Minutes of Meeting
2021 Regular Session
April 22, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Edward C. "Ted" James, II, chairman of the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice, called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. in Room 6, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Edward C. "Ted" James, II, chairman
Representative Tony Bacala, vice chairman
Representative Marcus Anthony Bryant
Representative Bryan Fontenot
Representative Jonathan Goudeau, I
Representative Frederick Douglass Jones
Representative C. Denise Marcelle
Representative Joseph A. Marino, III
Representative Nicholas Muscarello, Jr.
Representative Richard James Nelson
Representative Debbie Villio

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Markham Scott McKnight
Representative Alan Seabaugh

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

A. Gregory Riley, attorney
Sadie Becnel, attorney
Stephanie Weinman, committee administrative assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Sharon Bourque, sergeant at arms
Jayde Daniel, clerk

Zachary Gonzalez, attorney

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

House Concurrent Resolution No. 15 by Representative Hughes

Representative Hughes presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 15, which requests the Juvenile Justice Reform Act Implementation Commission to study local education agency budgets.

Representative Jones offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 15 favorably. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 15 was reported favorably by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 7 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 23 by Representative Charles Owen

Representative Charles Owen presented House Bill No. 23, which repeals crimes relative to defamation.

Representative James offered a motion to report House Bill No. 23 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 23 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

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

House Bill No. 406 by Representative Bishop

On behalf of Representative Bishop, Representative Magee presented House Bill No. 406, which provides relative to the presence of the defendant in misdemeanor prosecutions.

Representative James offered an amendment to:

- (1) Require the counsel to use proposed law form when accepting service and waiving the presence of the defendant.
- (2) Provides the form required by proposed law.

Representative James offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Representative Marcelle offered a motion to report House Bill No. 406 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 406 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 4 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 586 by Representative Magee

Representative Magee presented House Bill No. 586, which creates the Office of the State Public Defender and Justice Investment and provides for the relocation of certain court-related service providers and related funding.

On behalf of the author, Representative James offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 586. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 586 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 28 in opposition and 2 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 29 in opposition.

House Bill No. 227 by Representative Wheat

Representative Wheat presented House Bill No. 227, which provides relative to subpoena duces tecum when investigating sex offenses involving human trafficking.

Sergeant Huey McCartney, Louisiana State Police, 7919 Independence Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225) 925-4239, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 227.

Representative Bacala offered an amendment to add police departments to the list of entities that have administrative authority to serve subpoenas. Representative Bacala offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Meghan Garvey, Louisiana Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, no address provided, Baton Rouge, (504) 343-7175, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 227.

Representative Villio offered a motion to report House Bill No. 227 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 227 was reported with amendments by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 1 in support and 17 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 25 in opposition.

House Bill No. 223 by Representative Willard

Representative Willard presented House Bill No. 223, which provides relative to proper shelter for a dog.

Representative James offered an amendment to:

- (1) Make present law definition of "proper shelter" applicable to all animals except for dogs.
- (2) Add a definition of "proper shelter" applicable to only dogs.

Representative James offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Jeff Dorson, Humane Society of Louisiana, P.O. Box 740321, New Orleans, LA 70174, (901) 268-4432, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 223.

Representative James offered a motion to report House Bill No. 223 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 223 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio 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. 137 by Representative Duplessis

Representative Duplessis presented House Bill No. 137, which provides relative to non-gaming economic development activities by the casino gaming operator.

On behalf of Representative Duplessis, Representative Jones offered amendments to:

- (1) Remove third-party tenants from the total operating force or personnel level reported to the gaming control board.
- (2) Provide that third-party contractor employees are only counted in the total operating force or personnel definition until the \$325,000,000 capital investment is completed.
- (3) Add hospitality outlet personnel to the definition of "operating force or personnel level".
- (4) Change the level of positions to meet the requirements of the prohibited reduction of work force from 400 positions to not more than half of the total operating force or personnel level.

Representative Jones offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Representative James offered a motion to report House Bill No. 137 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 137 was reported with amendments by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 6 in support and 2 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 435 by Representative Romero

Representative Romero presented House Bill No. 435, which provides relative to video draw poker devices.

Representative Goudeau offered a motion to report House Bill No. 435 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 435 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

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

House Bill No. 54 by Representative Edmonds

Representative Edmonds presented House Bill No. 54, which creates the crime of adoption deception.

Representative Marino offered an amendment to:

- (1) Change the felony threshold amount from \$300 to \$1,000.
- (2) Remove proposed law provision regarding restitution.

Representative Marino offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Paula Davis, LSU School of Social Work, 1203 Pleasant Hall, Baton Rouge, LA 70803, (225) 266-2325, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 54.

Tom Costanza, Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2431 S. Acadian Thwy., Baton Rouge, LA 70808, (504) 874-7829, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 54.

Representative Bacala offered an amendment to remove as an element of the proposed law crime that the person knowingly make false representations to induce payment of living expenses and not intending to make adoptive placement. Representative Bacala offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, and Muscarello voted yea.

Stephanie Sterling, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge, 1900 S. Acadian Thwy., Baton Rouge, LA 70810, (225) 436-9640, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 54.

Ben Clapper, Louisiana Right to Life, 200 Robert E. Lee Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70124, (504) 228-4273, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 54.

Michelle F. Faust, Department of Children and Family Services, 627 N. 4th St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-4006, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 54.

Representative Marino in the chair.

Cheryl G. Tirado, Department of Children and Family Services, 627 N. 4th St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 345-2299, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 54.

Chairman James in the chair.

Representative Bacala offered a motion to report House Bill No. 54 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 54 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 2 in support and 8 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 541 by Representative Illg

Representative Illg presented House Bill No. 541, which provides relative to the central computer monitoring system of electronic gaming devices located at certain gaming facilities.

Representative Marcelle offered a motion to report House Bill No. 541 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 541 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 4 in support and 2 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 325 by Representative Larvadain

Representative Larvadain presented House Bill No. 325, which provides with respect to the procedure of arrest of persons with minor or dependent children.

Representative Marino in the chair.

Representative James offered amendments to:

- (1) Remove reference to placing children in a government agency.
- (2) Add a guideline to ensure law enforcement officers receive annual training as mandatory reporters of child abuse or neglect.
- (3) Add a provision to maintain the responsibility of law enforcement officers as mandatory reporters of child abuse or neglect.
- (4) Remove the department as a possible recipient of a preferred alternate caregiver's contact information.

Representative James offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Amy Mercieca, Operation Restoration, 1450 Poydras St., Ste. 2260, New Orleans, LA 70112, (504) 952-4646, spoke in support of House Bill No. 325.

Chairman James in the chair.

Representative Marcelle offered a motion to report House Bill No. 325 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 325 was reported with amendments by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 20 in support and 3 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 32 in support.

House Bill No. 234 by Representative Carpenter

Representative Carpenter presented House Bill No. 234, which provides relative to the Louisiana Sexual Assault Oversight Commission.

Lauryn Sudduth, Louisiana Sexual Assault Oversight Commission, 4919 S. Derbigny St., New Orleans, LA 70125, (504) 884-0998, spoke in support of House Bill No. 325.

Representative Jones offered a motion to report House Bill No. 234 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 234 was reported favorably by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 7 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 26 in support.

House Bill No. 303 by Representative Lyons

Representative Lyons presented House Bill No. 303, which provides relative to constructive surrender and non-warrant surrender.

Steve Adams, Association of Louisiana Bail Underwriters, no address provided, (504) 583-9333, spoke in support of House Bill No. 303.

On behalf of Representative Lyons, Representative James offered amendments to:

- (1) Make technical changes to the title.
- (2) Reinstate present law references to "officer" from proposed law references to "agency".
- (3) Reorganize proposed law provisions relative to breach of the bail undertaking.
- (4) Specify the methods by which constructive surrender occurs when the surety has paid reasonable or actual costs of returning the defendant to the jurisdiction where the warrant for arrest was issued.
- (5) Provide relative to the depositing of costs in the registry of the court.
- (6) Specify that the defendant obtain written permission from the court in order to leave the state.

Representative James offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Jon S. McGill, Sr., Association of Louisiana Bail Underwriters, 235 Derbigny St., Ste 100, Gretna, LA 70053, (202) 255-4778, spoke in support of House Bill No. 303.

Representative Villio offered a motion to report House Bill No. 303 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 303 was reported with amendments by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 6 in support and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 32 by Representative Selders

On behalf of Representative Selders, Natalie Laborde, Department of Corrections, no address provided, (337) 654-6718, presented House Bill No. 32, which increases the total number of credits that may be earned by an offender upon earning a bachelor's degree or master's degree.

Representative Bacala offered an amendment to add the requirement that the institution be regionally accredited. Representative Bacala offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Representative Marcelle offered a motion to report House Bill No. 32 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 32 was reported with amendments by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 39 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 271 by Representative Marcelle

Representative Marcelle presented House Bill No. 271, which provides for a Transitional Residential Pilot Program for female offenders.

Natalie Laborde, Department of Corrections, no address provided, (337) 654-6718, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 271.

Representative Marino offered a motion to report House Bill No. 271 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 271 was reported favorably by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 31 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 248 by Representative James

Representative James presented House Bill No. 248, which decreases probation and parole fees for certain offenders.

Representative Jones offered a motion to report House Bill No. 248 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 248 was reported favorably by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 10 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 31 in support.

House Bill No. 231 by Representative Marcelle

Representative Marcelle presented House Bill No. 231, which provides relative to the disposition of dogs used in dogfighting.

On behalf of Representative Marcelle, Representative James offered an amendment to:

- (1) Remove references to other animals to make proposed law only applicable to dogs.
- (2) Specify that the parish government where the dog is found shall pay the costs for veterinarian care.

Representative James offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, and Villio voted yea.

Rodney Braxton, Best Friends, 543 Spanish Town Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 381-0166, spoke in support of House Bill No. 231.

Cheri Deatsch, 1122 Felicity St., New Orleans, LA 70130, (504) 610-2999, spoke in support of House Bill No. 231.

Representative Bryant offered a motion to report House Bill No. 231 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 231 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

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

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 5 in support.

Representative Bacala in the chair.

House Bill No. 46 by Representative James

Representative James presented House Bill No. 46, which provides relative to certain pretrial procedures.

Representative James offered amendments to:

- (1) Make technical changes to citations.
- (2) With regard to the appearance for purpose of appointing counsel, change the condition for which the court is required to assign counsel from being based on whether the defendant has the right to being based on whether the defendant is determined to be indigent.
- (3) Add that the preliminary examination shall be conducted no later than two weeks, exclusive of weekends and holidays, from when the preliminary examination is ordered, unless the defendant waives such timeline or just cause for delay.
- (4) Provide an exception to releasing the defendant when just cause for failure to institute prosecution is shown after contradictory hearing with the district attorney.
- (5) Add an effective date of January 1, 2022.

Representative James offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Muscarello, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Chairman James in the chair.

Meghan Garvey, Louisiana Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, no address provided, Baton Rouge, LA, (504) 343-7175, spoke in support of House Bill No. 46.

Stephanie L. Willis, ACLU of Louisiana, 1340 Poydras St. #1340, New Orleans, LA 70112, spoke in support of House Bill No. 46.

Loren Lampert, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, 2525 Quail Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70808, (225) 343-0171, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 46.

Bo Duhè, 16th JDC District Attorney, 300 Iberia St., New Iberia, LA 70560, (337) 519-1049, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 46.

Michael Ranatza, Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, 1175 Nicholson Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 46.

Representative Marcelle offered a motion to report House Bill No. 46 with amendments, to which Representative Bacala objected. The administrative assistant called the roll, and House Bill No. 46 was reported with amendments by a vote of 5 yeas and 4 nays. Representatives Bryant, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, and Nelson voted yea. Representatives Bacala, Fontenot, Goudeau, and Villio voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 47 in support and 6 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 198 in support.

House Bill No. 251 by Representative Jones

Representative Jones presented House Bill No. 251, which provides relative to time limitations for instituting prosecution for crimes with victims with infirmities.

Michelle Anderson Thompson, Attorney General's Office, Louisiana Department of Justice, 130 Desiard St., Monroe, LA 71201, (318) 362-5248, spoke in support of House Bill No. 251.

Representative Bacala offered a motion to report House Bill No. 251 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 251 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bacala, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio 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.

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 1 in support.

House Bill No. 84 by Representative Marcelle

Representative Marcelle presented House Bill No. 84, which provides relative to qualification of jurors.

Checo Yancy, Voice of the Experienced, 251 Florida St., Ste. 201, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 270-5245, spoke in support of House Bill No. 84.

Will Snowden, Vera Institute of Justice, 1307 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd #203, New Orleans, LA 70113, (504) 442-2388, spoke in support of House Bill No. 84.

Representative Jones offered a motion to report House Bill No. 84 favorably, to which Representative Villio objected. The administrative assistant called the roll, and House Bill No. 84 was reported favorably by a vote of 6 yeas and 4 nays. Representatives James, Bryant, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, and Nelson voted yea. Representatives Bacala, Fontenot, Goudeau, and Villio voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 38 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 71 in support.

House Bill No. 145 by Representative Bryant

Representative Bryant presented House Bill No. 145, which provides relative to parole.

Representative Bryant offered amendments to:

- (1) Make technical changes to citations.
- (2) With regard to those not eligible for parole consideration upon reaching 45 years old and serving at least 20 years, change the date the offense was committed from July 1, 2008, to August 1, 2014, for those convicted of a crime of violence or a sex offense.
- (3) Remove provision specifying that the offense be committed after July 1, 2008, for those convicted of a crime of violence and required to serve at least 65% of the sentence imposed.
- (4) Remove retroactive application of proposed law.
- (5) Allow habitual offenders with non-violent and non-sex offenses who were sentenced to life to be eligible for parole consideration after serving 15 years in actual custody.

Representative Bryant offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Representative Bryant offered a motion to report House Bill No. 145 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 145 was reported with amendments by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives James, Bryant, Fontenot, Goudeau, Jones, Marcelle, Marino, Nelson, and Villio voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 35 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Statements submitted in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee are as follows: 36 in support.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Edward C. "Ted" James, II
House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice