

House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

Minutes of Meeting
2022 Regular Session
May 26, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Barbara W. Carpenter, chairman of the House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations, called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. in Room 6, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Barbara W. Carpenter, chairman
Representative Beryl A. Amedée
Representative Mack Marcel Cormier
Representative Raymond J. Crews
Representative Michael Charles Echols
Representative Lawrence "Larry" Frieman
Representative Valarie Hodges
Representative Dodie Horton
Representative Neil Riser, vice chairman
Representative Laurie Schlegel

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Kenny R. Cox
Representative Ed Larvadain, III
Representative Robert "Bob" Owen
Representative Tammy T. Phelps

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jurissa McGuire, attorney
Johnna Johnson, committee administrative assistant
Nevonda S. Reed, division director

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Victoria Grant, committee clerk
Rebecca Marshall, sergeant at arms
Janet Anthony, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

House Bill No. 126 by Representative Romero

This is a continuation of the discussion on House Bill No. 126 from the meeting held on May 19, 2022. Please check for the prior action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 126.

Representative Romero presented House Bill No. 126, which provides for unemployment compensation benefits to claimants terminated as a result of vaccination status.

Representative Echols offered a motion to report House Bill No. 126 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 126 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Carpenter, Amedée, Cormier, Crews, Echols, Frieman, Hodges, Horton, Riser, and Schlegel voted yea.

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

House Bill No. 353 by Representative Romero

Representative Romero presented House Bill No. 353, which provides for vaccine requirements in the workplace.

Dawn McVea, National Federation of Independent Business, 301 Main Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 218-6847, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 353.

Representative Frieman offered a motion to report House Bill No. 353 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 353 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Carpenter, Amedée, Cormier, Crews, Echols, Frieman, Hodges, Horton, Riser, and Schlegel 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.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Barbara W. Carpenter
House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

Date adopted: