

House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Minutes of Meeting
2022 Regular Session
March 15, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Mark Wright, chairman of the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. in Room 3, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Mark Wright, chairman
Representative Kendrick "Ken" Brass, vice chairman
Representative Mack Marcel Cormier
Representative Kathy Edmonston
Representative Michael "Gabe" Firment
Representative Barbara Reich Freiberg
Representative Foy Bryan Gadberry
Representative Cedric B. Glover
Representative Dodie Horton
Representative Joseph A. Marino, III
Representative Patricia "Pat" Moore
Representative Charles Anthony Owen
Representative Rodney Wayne Schamerhorn
Representative Larry Selders

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Ed Larvadain, III
Representative Robert "Bob" Owen
Representative Vincent J. Pierre

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

LeeAnne Sharlow, attorney
Charlesia Bibbins, attorney
Brandy Phillips, committee administrative assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Vivian Hurst, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

House Bill No. 76 by Representative Huval

Representative Huval presented House Bill No. 76, which creates the "Electric Line Worker" specialty license plate.

Representative Marino offered a motion to report House Bill No. 76 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 76 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Wright, Brass, Cormier, Firment, Freiberg, Gadberry, Horton, Marino, Moore, Charles Owen, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

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

House Bill No. 92 by Representative Echols

Representative Echols presented House Bill No. 92, which creates the "Laissez les ARTS Rouler" specialty license plate.

Representative Freiberg offered a motion to report House Bill No. 92 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 92 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Wright, Brass, Cormier, Firment, Freiberg, Gadberry, Horton, Marino, Moore, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

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House Bill No. 96 by Representative Brass

Representative Brass presented House Bill No. 96, which creates the "United Most Worshipful St. John's Grand Lodge of Louisiana A.F. & A.M." and the "Daughters of Universal Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star" specialty license plates.

Representative Brass offered amendments to make technical changes. Representative Brass offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Wright, Brass, Cormier, Firment, Freiberg, Gadberry, Horton, Marino, Moore, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

Representative Gadberry offered a motion to report House Bill No. 96 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 96 was reported with amendments by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Wright, Brass, Cormier, Firment, Freiberg, Gadberry, Horton, Marino, Moore, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

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House Bill No. 163 by Representative Phelps

Representative Phelps presented House Bill No. 163, which creates the "Sickle Cell Disease Association" specialty license plate.

Representative Moore offered a motion to report House Bill No. 163 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 163 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Wright, Brass, Cormier, Firment, Freiberg, Gadberry, Horton, Marino, Moore, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

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House Bill No. 191 by Representative Charles Owen

Representative Charles Owen announced that House Bill No. 191 would be withdrawn and he would co-author House Bill No. 603 by Representative Gadberry.

House Bill No. 603 by Representative Gadberry

Representative Gadberry presented House Bill No. 603, which creates military honor specialty license plates.

Representative Gadberry offered amendments to:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Remove the handling fee of \$3.50 that was applicable to each military honor license plate.
3. Remove the inclusion of the U.S. flag background on each license plate.
4. Require the office of motor vehicles to create the military honor plates provided for

in proposed law when the applicable statutory provisions are met and its system is updated to accommodate new plates.

Representative Gadberry offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Wright, Brass, Cormier, Edmonston, Firment, Freiberg, Gadberry, Glover, Horton, Marino, Moore, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

Ms. Jill Jarreau, 7979 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225)505-6555, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 603.

Representative Schamerhorn offered a motion to report House Bill No. 603 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 603 was reported with amendments by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Wright, Brass, Cormier, Edmonston, Firment, Freiberg, Gadberry, Glover, Horton, Marino, Moore, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Glover offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Wright, Brass, Cormier, Edmonston, Firment, Freiberg, Gadberry, Glover, Horton, Marino, Moore, Schamerhorn, and Selders voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Mark Wright
House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Date adopted: