

House Committee on Commerce

Minutes of Meeting
2024 Regular Session
May 6, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Daryl Andrew Deshotel, chair of the House Committee on Commerce, called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. in Room 1, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Daryl Andrew Deshotel, chair
Representative Delisha Boyd
Representative Kim Carver
Representative Vincent E. Cox, III
Representative Paula P. Davis
Representative Jessica Domangue
Representative Troy Jude Hebert
Representative Edmond Jordan
Representative Alonzo L. Knox
Representative Jacob Jules Gabriel Landry
Representative Danny McCormick
Representative Dixon Wallace McMakin
Representative Shaun Raphael Mena
Representative Candace N. Newell
Representative Neil Riser
Representative Vincent "Vinney" J. St. Blanc, III
Representative Polly Thomas, vice chair

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Kyle M. Green, Jr.
Representative Stephanie Hilferty

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Victoria Kelley, attorney
Kathryn Vigrass, legislative analyst
Sharell Steven, committee administrative assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms
Stephen Louis, sergeant at arms
Nevonda Reed, division director

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**Senate Bill No. 332 by Senator Seabaugh**

Representative Deshotel offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on Senate Bill No. 332, which repeals the Occupational Licensing Review Commission. Without objection, action on Senate Bill No. 332 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Carver, Cox, Domangue, Hebert, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, Mena, Riser, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

Senate Bill No. 86 by Senator Edmonds

Senator Edmonds presented Senate Bill No. 86, which provides for an increase in licensing fees for private investigators.

Pat Englade, Louisiana State Board of Private Investigator Examiners, 1414 Perkins Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 86.

Representative Knox offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 86 favorably, to which Representative McCormick objected. The administrative assistant called the roll, and Senate Bill No. 86 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 2 nays. Representatives Carver, Cox, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McMakin, Mena, Newell, and St. Blanc voted yea. Representatives McCormick and Thomas voted nay. Representative Deshotel abstained.

Senate Bill No. 506 by Senator Edmonds

Senator Edmonds presented Senate Bill No. 506, which provides for real estate service agreements.

Representative Deshotel offered amendments to make technical changes. Representative Deshotel offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Carver, Cox, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative Thomas offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 506 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 506 was reported with amendments by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, St. Blanc, and Thomas 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.

Senate Bill No. 428 by Senator Foil

On behalf of Senator Foil, Representative Jordan presented Senate Bill No. 428, which extends the time frame for authorized production or disclosure of financial records by banks.

Representative Jordan offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 428 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 428 was reported favorably by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

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

Representative Thomas in the chair.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 81 by Representative Echols

On behalf of Representative Echols, Representative Deshotel presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 81, which establishes a task force to study ways to increase the number of retirement communities in Louisiana.

Representative Thomas offered amendments to make technical changes. Representative Thomas offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative Thomas offered amendments to clarify that the task force shall report to the legislature no later than February 1, 2025. Representative Thomas offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative Newell offered amendments that originated in committee to clarify that the member appointed from AARP be from Louisiana AARP. Representative Newell offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative Davis offered amendments that originated in committee to delete the Gardens of Sunset. After discussion, Representative Davis withdrew the amendment. No vote was taken.

Representative Riser offered amendments that originated in committee to replace the member from the Gardens of Somerset with a member appointed by the chair of the House Committee on Commerce from the retirement community. Representative Riser offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative McMakin offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 81 with amendments. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 81 was reported with amendments by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative Deshotel in the chair.

House Bill No. 591 by Representative Lyons

This is a continuation of the discussion on House Bill No. 591 from the meeting held in April 29, 2024. Please check for the prior action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 591.

Representative Lyons presented House Bill No. 591, which provides relative to prohibitions on a local governing authority regulating online marketplaces.

Representative Deshotel offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 591. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 591 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

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

Senate Bill No. 206 by Senator McMath

On behalf of Senator McMath, Representative Carver presented Senate Bill No. 206, which repeals the Port Development Advisory Commission.

Representative Carver offered amendments to:

- (1) Make technical changes; and
- (2) Repeals part of Act No. 459 of the 2023 Regular Session that implements the office of port development.

Representative Carver offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative Carver offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 206 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 206 was reported with amendments by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thomas offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair Daryl Andrew Deshotel
House Committee on Commerce

Date adopted: