

House Committee on Commerce

Minutes of Meeting
2024 Regular Session
April 22, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Daryl Andrew Deshotel, chair of the House Committee on Commerce, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.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 Kyle M. Green, Jr.
Representative Troy Jude Hebert
Representative Stephanie Hilferty
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:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms
Nevonda Reed, division director
Randall Ike, clerk
Angela Mamou, sergeant at arms
Stephen Louis, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**House Bill No. 577 by Representative Carver**

Representative Carver presented House Bill No. 577, which prohibits social media companies from collecting data to use for targeted advertising to minors.

Dylan Rhoton, Legislative Youth Advisory Council (LYAC), 244 Gum Bayou Ln., Kenner, LA 70065, spoke in support of House Bill No. 577.

Emma Bonney, LYAC, 37366 Carlin Ave., Prairieville, LA 70767, spoke in support of House Bill No. 577.

Representative Davis offered amendments to:

- (1) Make technical changes.
- (2) Expand definitions to include "account holder", "application", "child", "covered application store", "developer", "minor", "minor account holder", "online service, product, or feature", "resident", and "sensitive personal data".
- (3) Change "the processing of genetic" to "genetic".
- (4) Conform language with updated definitions.
- (5) Remove biometric data from the list of sensitive personal data.
- (6) Add that interactive gaming, virtual gaming, and certain online services are not included in a social media platform.
- (7) Change certain references from "consumer" to "account holder".
- (8) Change "using personal data" to "displaying".

- (9) Add when social media companies will not be liable.
- (10) Add what actions a covered application store are required to take.
- (11) Add that developers may rely on age signals and application store parental consent.
- (12) Add that a covered company shall comply with present and proposed law in a nondiscriminatory manner.

Representative Davis offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 17 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative Newell offered a motion to report House Bill No. 577 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 577 was reported with amendments by a vote of 18 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Hilferty, 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: 8 in support and 1 for information only.

Prepared statements were received via email for House Bill No. 577 pursuant to House Rule 14.33.

House Bill No. 749 by Representative Bayham

This a continuation of the discussion on House Bill No. 749 from a previous committee meeting on April 15, 2024. Please check for the prior action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 749.

Representative Bayham presented House Bill No. 749, which provides for unregulated services within the Louisiana Cosmetology Act.

Representative Deshotel offered amendments to:

- (1) Amends amendment set 2915 subsection D to require the board to implement certain applications and testing procedures for persons applying for a natural hair braiding special permit.
- (2) Make technical changes.

Representative Deshotel 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, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and Thomas voted yea.

Lakeisha Washington, no witness card provided, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 749.

Meagan Forbes, Institute for Justice, 901 N. Glebe Rd., Ste. 900, Arlington, VA 22203, spoke in support of House Bill No. 749.

Brittany Baptiste, 1245 Sumner St., New Orleans, LA 70114, spoke in support of House Bill No. 749.

Kiwan Wade, Louisiana Board of Cosmetology (LSBC), 11622 Sun Belt Ct., Baton Rouge, LA 70809, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 749.

Sheri Morris, LSBC, 8900 Bluebonnet Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70810, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 749.

Representative Deshotel offered a motion to adopt the three-minute rule. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Green, Hebert, Hilferty, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, and St. Blanc voted yea.

Amber Ward, Nolabraider Salon, 6848 Delta Ridge Ave., Slidell, LA 70461, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 749.

Sarah Harbison, Pelican Institute, 400 Poydras St., Ste. 900, New Orleans, LA 70130, spoke in support of House Bill No. 749.

Ashley Ndakpri, 5177 Pauline Dr., New Orleans, LA 70058, spoke in support of House Bill No. 749.

Sharon Franklin, Louisiana State Beauticians and Barber Association (LSBBA), 6341 Lanier Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70812, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 749.

Troyann Freeman, LSBBA, no address provided, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 749.

LaTonja McMillan, 13651 Joseph St., Walker, LA 70785, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 749.

Representative Deshotel offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 749. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 749 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 18 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Hilferty, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, 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, 25 in opposition, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Prepared statements were received via email for House Bill No. 749 pursuant to House Rule 14.33.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 2 by Representative Bayham

Representative Deshotel offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Concurrent Resolution No. 2, which amends and repeals administrative licensing requirements relative to alternative hair and alternative hair design. Without objection, action on House Concurrent Resolution No. 2 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 18 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Hilferty, Jordan, Knox, Jacob Landry, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

Prepared statements were received via email for House Concurrent Resolution No. 2 pursuant to House Rule 14.33.

House Bill No. 835 by Representative McFarland

On behalf of Representative McFarland, Representative Riser presented House Bill No. 835, which provides relative to electric vehicle charging technology and equipment networks.

Brandon Frey, Louisiana Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 91154, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 835.

Representative Jordan offered a motion to report House Bill No. 835 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 835 was reported favorably by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Hilferty, Jordan, Knox, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

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

Representative Thomas in the chair.

House Bill No. 914 by Representative Amedee

Representative Amedee presented House Bill No. 914, which provides relative to practices of financial institutions to provide or deny services.

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 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Hilferty, Jordan, Knox, McMakin, Mena, Newell, Riser, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative Thomas offered amendments to:

- (1) Change the definition of 'financial institution'.
- (2) Make technical changes.

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

Matt Sharp, Alliance Defending Freedom, 1000 Hurricane Shoals Rd., N.E. Lawrenceville, GA 30043, spoke in support of House Bill No. 914.

Representative Deshotel in the chair.

Jill Hines, Health Freedom Louisiana, 3301 17th St., Ste. 7443, Metairie, LA 70010, spoke in support of House Bill No. 914.

Gene Mills, Louisiana Family Forum, 655 St. Ferdinand St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke in support of House Bill No. 914.

Cameron Sholty, Heartland Impact, 3949 N. Wilke Rd., Arlington Heights, IL 60004, spoke in support of House Bill No. 914.

Christy Haik, Convention Of States (COS) Action, Republican State Central Committee, Louisiana Republican Parish Executive Committee, 1377 Steele Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806, spoke in support of House Bill No. 914.

Darren LaSorte, National Shooting Sports Association, 400 N. Capitol St., N. W., Washington DC 20001, spoke in support of House Bill No. 914.

Joe Gendron, Louisiana Bankers Association, 5555 Bankers Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70808, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 914.

Representative Green offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 914. After discussion, Representative Green withdrew his motion. No vote was taken.

Representative Riser offered a motion to involuntarily defer action on House Bill No. 914, to which Representative McCormick objected. The administrative assistant called the roll, and action on House Bill No. 914 was involuntarily deferred by a vote of 14 yeas, 3 nays, and 1 abstention. Representatives Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Hilferty, Knox, Mena, Newell, Riser, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea. Representatives Jacob Landry, McCormick, and McMakin voted nay. Representative Deshotel abstained.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 7 in support, 7 in opposition, and 2 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Prepared statements were received via email for House Bill No. 914 pursuant to House Rule 14.33.

House Bill No. 930 by Representative Ventrella

Representative Ventrella presented House Bill No. 930, which provides relative to cosmetology.

Jeremy Aydell, ASC, LLC, P.O. Box 460, French Settlement, LA 70733, spoke in support of House Bill No. 930.

Tina Mathieu, Cosmetology, 2733 Bayou Ln., Monroe, LA 71201, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 930.

Sarah Harbison, Pelican Institute, 400 Poydras St. Ste., 900, New Orleans, LA 70130, spoke in support of House Bill No. 930.

Brittani LeJeune, Aveda Arts & Science Institutes, 303 S. Pine St., Hammond, LA 70403, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 930.

Gina Hand, Denham Springs Beauty College, 128 Cockerham Rd., Denham Springs, LA 70726, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 930.

Chloe Hoychick, Omega Institute, 229 S. Hollywood Rd., Ste. B, Houma, LA 70360, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 930.

LaTonja McMillan, 13651 Joseph St., Walker, LA 70785, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 930.

Steve Young, Board of Cosmetology, 11622 Sunbelt Ct., Baton Rouge, LA 70809, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 930.

Representative Davis offered a motion to report House Bill No. 930 favorably, to which Representative Newell objected. The administrative assistant called the roll, and House Bill No. 930 was reported favorably by a vote of 14 yeas and 4 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Hebert, Knox, Jacob Landry, McCormick, McMakin, Mena, Riser, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea. Representatives Boyd, Green, Jordan, and Newell voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 4 in support, 26 in opposition, and 3 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Prepared statements were received via email for House Bill No. 930 pursuant to House Rule 14.33.

Representative Thomas in the chair.

House Bill No. 954 by Representative Mena

Representative Mena presented House Bill No. 954, which provides relative to occupations and

professions.

Sarah Whittington, Justice and Accountability Center of Louisiana, 4035 Washington Ave., New Orleans, LA 70125, spoke in support of House Bill No. 954.

Peter Robins-Brown, Louisiana Progress, 650 N. Sixth St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke in support of House Bill No. 954.

Representative Newell offered a motion to report House Bill No. 954 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 954 was reported favorably by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Knox, McMakin, Mena, Newell, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

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

House Bill No. 959 by Representative Deshotel

Representative Deshotel presented House Bill No. 959, which provides relative to the sunset of licenses.

Representative Green offered amendments in the form of a substitute bill. Representative Green offered a motion to adopt the substitute bill. Without objection, the substitute bill was adopted by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Knox, Jacob Landry, McMakin, Mena, Newell, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

Representative Green offered a motion to report House Bill No. 959 by substitute. Without objection, House Bill No. 959 was reported by substitute by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Green, Hebert, Knox, Jacob Landry, McMakin, Mena, Newell, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 7 in support, 26 in opposition, and 4 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

Representative Green offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Deshotel, Boyd, Carver, Cox, Davis, Domangue, Green,

Hebert, Knox, Jacob Landry, McMakin, Mena, Newell, St. Blanc, and Thomas voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair Daryl Andrew Deshotel
House Committee on Commerce

Date adopted: