

House Committee on Insurance

Minutes of Meeting
2024 Regular Session
May 15, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Michael "Gabe" Firment, chairman of the House Committee on Insurance, called the meeting to order at 9:42 a.m. in Room 3, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Michael "Gabe" Firment, chairman
Representative Lawrence A. "Larry" Bagley
Representative Dennis Bamburg, Jr.
Representative Jacob Braud
Representative Chad Brown, vice chairman
Representative Aimee Adatto Freeman
Representative Jack "Jay" William Gallé, Jr.
Representative Brian Leonard Glorioso
Representative Kyle M. Green, Jr.
Representative Troy Jude Hebert
Representative Chance Keith Henry
Representative John R. Illg, Jr.
Representative Michael T. Johnson
Representative Edmond Jordan
Representative Mandie Landry
Representative Shaun Raphael Mena
Representative Tammy T. Phelps
Representative Roger William Wilder, III
Representative Matthew Willard

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rashida Keith, attorney
Alicia Powell, committee administrative assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Rebecca Marshall, sergeant at arms
Ralph Palmer, sergeant at arms
Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms
Jaubert Ambeau, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**House Bill No. 957 by Representative Jordan**

Representative Jordan presented House Bill No. 957, which prohibits vehicle manufacturers and distributors from sharing driver information without the driver's consent.

Representative Jordan offered amendments to:

- (1) Delete application of proposed law to manufacturers and distributors;
- (2) Prohibit insurers writing private passenger motor vehicle insurance or third parties from sharing or using as a rating factor the personal telematic data of a driver without the express consent of the owner of the motor vehicle; and
- (3) Make technical changes.

Representative Jordan offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firmont, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Freeman, Galle, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Mena, Phelps, and Wilder voted yea.

Barrow Peacock, Louisiana Department of Insurance (LDI), 1702 N. Third St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke in support of House Bill No. 957, as the designee of Insurance Commissioner Tim Temple.

Kevin Cunningham, American Property Casualty Insurance Association, 543 Spanish Town Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 957.

Kellen Mathews, State Farm Insurance Company, 450 Laurel St., Ste. 1900, Baton Rouge, LA 70801, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 957.

Representative Glorioso offered an amendment originating in committee. Representative Glorioso offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 17 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firmont, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown,

Freeman, Galle, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Mandie Landry, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

Representative Jordan offered a motion to report House Bill No. 957 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 957 was reported with amendments by a vote of 17 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Freeman, Galle, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Mandie Landry, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

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

House Concurrent Resolution No. 120 by Representative Jordan

Representative Jordan presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 120, which requests the Department of Insurance to study and make recommendations with respect to eliminating the state requirement for motor vehicle insurance and the approaches taken by other states with minimal or noncompulsory requirements.

Representative Jordan offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 120 favorably. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 120 was reported favorably by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Freeman, Galle, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Mandie Landry, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 96 by Representative Brown

Representative Brown presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 96, which requests the Department of Insurance to study the impact of alternative funding programs on patient access to affordable prescription drugs.

Representative Brown offered amendments to:

- (1) Add certain members to the task force and provide for transmittal of the Resolution to those additional members; and
- (2) Make technical changes.

Representative Brown offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Galle, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Mandie Landry, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

Representative Brown offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 96 with amendments. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 96 was reported with amendments by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Galle, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Mandie Landry, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard 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.

Senate Bill No. 281 by Senator Edmonds

Representative Firment announced that action on Senate Bill No. 281, which provides for pharmacy record audits, was voluntarily deferred.

Senate Bill No. 300 by Senator Duplessis

Senator Duplessis presented Senate Bill No. 300, which provides for health insurance coverage of pregnancy-related and postpartum healthcare services.

Representative Firment offered amendments to make technical changes. Representative Firment offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Mandie Landry, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

Representative Henry offered amendments to:

- (1) Remove an inaccurate certifying authority for breastfeeding counselors;
- (2) Correct the certifying authority for certified lactation counselors; and
- (3) Clarify relative to certified lactation consultants and provide that such consultants are certified to address the full range of breastfeeding care.

Representative Henry offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

Representative Willard offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 300 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 300 was reported with amendments by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 24 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Senate Bill No. 484 by Senator Duplessis

Senator Duplessis presented Senate Bill No. 484, which provides for changes to the Louisiana Fortify Homes Program.

Representative Firment offered amendments to make technical changes. Representative Firment offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Galle, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Illg, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Mandie Landry, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

Julie Shiyou-Woodard, Smart Home America, P.O. Box 2731, Mobile, AL 36652, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 484.

Andreanecia M. Morris, Housing Louisiana, 4713 S. Carrollton Ave., New Orleans, LA 70119, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 484.

Adam Patrick, LDI, 1702 N. Third St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 484.

Nichole Torblaa, LDI, 1702 N. Third St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 484.

Tom Travis, LDI, 1702 N. Third St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 484.

Tim Temple, LDI, 1702 N. Third St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 484.

Representative Willard offered amendments originating in committee. Representative Willard offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 18 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Freeman, Galle, Glorioso, Green, Hebert, Henry, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Mandie Landry, Mena, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

Representative Bagley offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on Senate Bill No. 484. Without objection, action on Senate Bill No. 484 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 18 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Freeman, Galle, Glorioso, Green, Hebert, Henry, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Mandie Landry, Mena, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard 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.

Further action was taken by the committee on Senate Bill No. 484 on May 21, 2024. Please check for the subsequent action to complete the record of discussion and motions on Senate Bill No. 484.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Glorioso offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 18 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Firment, Bagley, Bamburg, Braud, Brown, Freeman, Galle, Glorioso, Green, Hebert, Henry, Mike Johnson, Jordan, Mandie Landry, Mena, Phelps, Wilder, and Willard voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Michael "Gabe" Firment
House Committee on Insurance

Date adopted: September 6, 2024