

House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice

Minutes of Meeting
2026 Regular Session
March 25, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Debbie Villio, chair of the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. in Room 6, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Debbie Villio, chair
Representative Roy Daryl Adams
Representative Doyle Boudreaux
Representative Chad Michael Boyer
Representative Emily Chenevert
Representative Vincent E. Cox, III
Representative Bryan Fontenot
Representative Dodie Horton
Representative Alonzo L. Knox
Representative Vanessa Caston LaFleur, vice chair
Representative Patricia "Pat" Moore
Representative Jeffrey Fons "Jeff" Wiley

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Zachary Gonzalez, attorney
Dave Storment, attorney
Ross Richard, committee administrative assistant
Rashida Keith, division director

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Amelia Carman, clerk
Anna Kate Jackson, clerk
Janet Anthony, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

House Bill No. 884 by Representative Spell

Representative Villio offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 884, which provides relative to survivors of sexually-oriented criminal offenses. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 884 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

House Bill No. 806 by Representative LaFleur

Representative LaFleur presented House Bill No. 806, which provides relative to hit-and-run driving offenses.

Representative LaFleur offered amendments to:

- (1) Change the "Department of Public Safety and Corrections, in conjunction with Louisiana State Police" to "law enforcement agencies responsible for investigating hit-and-run driving offenses".
- (2) Provide a definition for "Louisiana Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (LLETS)".
- (3) Require law enforcement agencies investigating a hit-and-run driving offense to use LLETS to disseminate information.

Representative LaFleur offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Holly Crow, 18415 Lake Stream Drive, Greenwell Springs, LA 70739, spoke in support of House Bill No. 806.

Gay Begnaud, Justice for Camille, 1111 Mouton Avenue, Parks, LA 70582, spoke in support of House Bill No. 806.

Anthony Summers, 314 Courthouse Street, Port Allen, LA 70767, spoke in support of House Bill No. 806.

Representative Knox offered a motion to report House Bill No. 806 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 806 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 11 in support, 1 for information only, and 1 designee of an elected official. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Prepared statement were received via email for House Bill No. 806.

House Bill No. 143 by Representative Bacala

Representative Bacala presented House Bill No. 143, which provides relative to the per diem rate paid by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections for the housing of state inmates in a parish jail or institution.

Kevin Cobb, executive director, Louisiana Sheriffs' Association, 1175 Nicholson Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke in support of House Bill No. 143.

Representative Cox offered a motion to report House Bill No. 143 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 143 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 7 in support and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 93 by Representative Turner

Representative Turner presented House Bill No. 93, which provides relative to the jury commission in Lincoln Parish.

Representative Villio offered a motion to report House Bill No. 93 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 93 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

House Bill No. 166 by Representative Jacob Landry

Representative Jacob Landry presented House Bill No. 166, which removes Vermilion Parish as a member of the Acadiana Regional Juvenile Justice District.

Representative Fontenot offered a motion to report House Bill No. 166 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 166 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

House Bill No. 429 by Representative Jacob Landry

Representative Jacob Landry presented House Bill No. 429, which adds theft or unauthorized entry of a critical infrastructure as a predicate crime for terrorism.

On behalf of the author, Representative Villio offered amendments to:

- (1) Make technical changes.
- (2) Provide that flying a drone over critical infrastructure or hacking electronics of critical infrastructure constitutes unauthorized entry.

Representative Villio offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Representative Villio offered an amendment to make technical changes. Representative Villio offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Ty Bofferding, Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association, 730 North Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke in support of House Bill No. 429.

G. Patrick Riley, Louisiana Chemistry Association, 450 Laurel Street, Suite 1800, Baton Rouge, LA 70801, spoke in support of House Bill No. 429.

Representative Horton offered a motion to report House Bill No. 429 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 429 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 7 in support and 1 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 231 by Representative Boyer

Representative Boyer presented House Bill No. 231, which creates the crime of intentional evasion of service of process for certain court orders.

Representative Villio offered an amendment to make technical changes. Representative Villio offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted

by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, and Moore voted yea.

Representative Boyer offered a motion to report House Bill No. 231 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 231 was reported with amendments by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 11 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Representative LaFleur in the chair.

House Bill No. 58 by Representative Villio

Representative Villio presented House Bill No. 58, which restricts post-conviction bail for certain offenders.

Larry Frieman, chief deputy attorney general, 1885 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke as a designee of Attorney General Liz Murrill in support of House Bill No. 58.

Natalie LaBorde, 1885 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke as a designee of Attorney General Liz Murrill in support of House Bill No. 58.

Representative Horton offered a motion to report House Bill No. 58 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 58 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 9 in support and 2 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 51 by Representative Villio

Representative Villio presented House Bill No. 51, a constitutional amendment which restricts post-conviction bail for certain offenders.

Larry Frieman, chief deputy attorney general, 1885 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, appeared at the witness table as a designee of Attorney General Liz Murrill in support of House Bill No. 51.

Natalie LaBorde, 1885 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, appeared at the witness table as a designee of Attorney General Liz Murrill in support of House Bill No. 51.

Representative Chenevert offered a motion to report House Bill No. 51 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 51 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 9 in support and 2 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 69 by Representative Villio

Representative Villio presented House Bill No. 69, which provides relative to ignition interlock device offenses.

Norma DuBois, Jefferson Parish District Attorney's Office, 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, LA 70053, spoke in support of House Bill No. 69.

Representative Adams offered a motion to report House Bill No. 69 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 69 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 7 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 82 by Representative Villio

Representative Villio presented House Bill No. 82, which provides relative to penalties for DWI offenses.

Norma DuBois, Jefferson Parish District Attorney's Office, 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, LA 70053, spoke in support of House Bill No. 82.

Representative Villio offered an amendment to change the minimum penalty from twelve months to twelve years with respect to a fourth offense of driving under the influence as described for in proposed law. Representative Villio offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Representative Boudreaux offered a motion to report House Bill No. 82 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 82 was reported with amendments by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 8 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Adams offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair Debbie Villio
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