

House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice

Minutes of Meeting
2026 Regular Session
April 23, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Debbie Villio, chair of the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice, called the meeting to order at 10:00 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:

Riley Fitzmorris, clerk
Janet Anthony, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

House Bill No. 123 by Representative Bayham

On behalf of the author, Representative Villio offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 123, which provides relative to electronic monitoring. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 123 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

House Bill No. 255 by Representative Bayham

On behalf of the author, Representative Villio offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 255, which provides relative to wearing masks in public. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 255 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

House Bill No. 994 by Representative Fontenot

On behalf of the author, Representative Villio offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 994, which provides relative to the payment of restitution from offenders convicted of vehicular homicide under certain circumstances. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 994 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Adams, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3 by Senator Myers

Senator Myers presented Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3, which repeals rules relative to criminal history background checks on licensed ambulance personnel and nonlicensed persons.

On behalf of the author, Representative Villio offered an amendment to remove proposed law that authorizes parish and local law enforcement agencies to perform criminal history checks and return applicable criminal history information to an authorized agency until October 1, 2026. 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, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Representative Boudreaux offered a motion to report Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3 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: 14 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 978 by Representative LaCombe

Representative LaCombe presented House Bill No. 978, which provides an exception for the town of Addis to the mandatory assessment and remittance of special costs to the district indigent defender fund.

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

- (1) Remove proposed law that creates an exception for the town of Addis.
- (2) Change the required population threshold for municipalities to remit certain special costs to the district indigent defender fund from less than five thousand to less than nine thousand.
- (3) Make technical changes.

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.

Karen White, representing the town of Addis, 7818 Highway 1, Addis, LA 70710, spoke in support of House Bill No. 978.

Representative Villio offered a motion to report House Bill No. 978 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 978 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: 2 in support, 1 in opposition, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 967 by Representative Moore

Representative Moore presented House Bill No. 967, which provides relative to parole eligibility for certain offenders.

Deborah R. Dixon, 4052 Emily Drive, Port Allen, LA 70767, spoke in support of House Bill No. 967.

Bruce Reilly, Voice of the Experienced, 4930 Washington Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70125, spoke in support of House Bill No. 967.

Zachary T. Daniels, executive director, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, 2525 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 967.

Gary Westcott, secretary, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, 504 Mayflower Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 967.

Representative Knox offered a motion to report House Bill No. 967 favorably, to which Representative Villio objected. The administrative assistant called the roll, and the motion failed to pass by a vote of 3 yeas and 8 nays. Representatives Knox, LaFleur, and Moore voted yea. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, and Wiley voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 5 in support, 2 in opposition, and 2 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 1107 by Representative Melerine

Representative Melerine presented House Bill No. 1107, which provides relative to determination of intellectual disability in capital cases.

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

- (1) Change the evidentiary standard from a preponderance of the evidence to clear and convincing evidence for any defendant in a capital case who makes a claim of intellectual disability.
- (2) Relative to submission of the petitioner's written expert report:
 - (a) Remove proposed law regarding a determination of the petitioner's IQ using current community, nationally, and culturally accepted intelligence testing procedures and submission of this report within ten days of the testing of the petitioner.
 - (b) Provide that the petitioner has at least thirty days for submission before the state files procedural objections and, upon a finding of good cause by the court, at least sixty days for submission before any hearing on the merits.
 - (c) Require the expert report to contain a determination of the petitioner's IQ.
- (3) Provide that the expert report is subject to the criteria for use of expert evidence as set forth by jurisprudence of the United States Supreme Court and the Louisiana Supreme Court.
- (4) Prohibit an evidentiary hearing on an intellectual disability claim for a petitioner who, on the sole basis of a written expert report, is unable to prove subaverage intellectual functioning by clear and convincing evidence.
- (5) Clarify that proposed law applies only to claims of intellectual disability that are raised in post-conviction proceedings for capital cases.

- (6) Provide that nothing in proposed law controls, limits, expands, or otherwise affects any of the following:
 - (a) The meaning of disability, intellectual disability, or any related term.
 - (b) Any right, protection, benefit, or eligibility determination under any other provision of state or federal law.
- (7) Make technical changes.

Representative Villio 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, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, and Wiley voted yea.

Larry Frieman, chief deputy attorney general, 1885 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke as the designee of an elected official in support of House Bill No. 1107 and provided a handout, Exhibit A, which is included in the committee records.

Zach Faircloth, principal deputy solicitor general, 1885 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke as the designee of an elected official in support of House Bill No. 1107.

Zachary T. Daniels, executive director, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, 2525 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, spoke in support of House Bill No. 1107.

Tom Costanza, Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2431 South Acadian Thruway, Suite 250, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 1107.

Jeanna Wheat, Louisiana Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, no address provided, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 1107.

Ashley McReynolds, Arc of Louisiana, 600 Colonial Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 1107.

Brandi Melissa, P.O. Box 1171, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 1107.

Christine Lehmann, Louisiana Capital Assistance Center, 636 Baronne Street, New Orleans, LA 70113, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 1107.

Dr. Charlotte Hollman, 9007 Highland Road, Suite 39, Baton Rouge, LA 70810, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 1107.

Dr. Ashley Volion, Disability Rights Louisiana, 8325 Oak Street, New Orleans, LA 70118, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 1107.

Representative Horton offered a motion to report House Bill No. 1107 with amendments, to which Representative Knox objected. The administrative assistant called the roll, and House Bill No. 1107 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 3 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, and Wiley voted yea. Representatives Knox, LaFleur, and Moore voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 1 in support and 8 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Prepared statements were received via email for House Bill No. 1107.

House Bill No. 321 by Representative LaFleur

Representative LaFleur presented House Bill No. 321, which provides relative to victims of human trafficking and prostitution offenses.

Mary Kate Andrepont, governor's office, 900 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 321.

Deborah Solcher, Baptist Child and Family Services, Health and Human Services, 1000 Bourbon Street, New Orleans, LA 70116, spoke in support of House Bill No. 321.

Father Jeff Bayhi, Metanoia Manor, no address provided, spoke in support of House Bill No. 321.

Audrey Wascome, 9503 Cabernet Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70817, spoke in support of House Bill No. 321.

Representative Knox offered a motion to report House Bill No. 321 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 321 was reported favorably by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 9 in support and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Prepared statements were received via email for House Bill No. 321.

House Bill No. 1104 by Representative Dana Henry

Representative Dana Henry presented House Bill No. 1104, which prohibits the possession and manufacturing of motor vehicle key programming or emulation devices.

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

- (1) Provide that possession alone of a motor vehicle key programming or emulating device or relay attack device is not a violation of proposed law.
- (2) Provide an illustrative list of conditions under which criminal intent may be inferred.
- (3) Make technical changes.

Representative Villio offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Hannah Burriss, National Insurance Crime Bureau, 1515 West Twenty-Second Street, Suite 1300W, Oak Brook, IL 60523, spoke in support of House Bill No. 1104.

Representative Villio offered a motion to report House Bill No. 1104 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 1104 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley 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.

House Bill No. 91 by Representative Wiley

This is a continuation of the discussion on House Bill No. 91 from a meeting held on April 1, 2026. Please check for the prior action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 91.

Representative Wiley presented House Bill No. 91, which provides relative to disclosure of criminal records during trial.

Representative Wiley offered amendments in the form of a substitute bill. Representative Wiley offered a motion to adopt the substitute bill. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Horton, Knox, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Representative Wiley offered a motion to report House Bill No. 91 by substitute with a recommendation that it be recommitted to the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs. Without objection, House Bill No. 91 was reported by substitute with a recommendation that it be recommitted to the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs by a vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Horton, Knox, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 1109 by Representative Crews

At the request of the author, Representative Villio offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 1109, which provides relative to the Post-Conviction Veterans Mentor Program. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 1109 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Further action was taken by the committee on House Bill No. 1109 at a later point in the meeting. Please check for subsequent action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 1109.

House Bill No. 264 by Representative Glorioso

Representative Glorioso presented House Bill No. 264, which provides relative to operating a vehicle while intoxicated.

On behalf of the author, Representative Villio offered amendments in the form of a substitute bill.

Jennifer Bright, representing the Bright family, 61082 East Spring Mill Drive, Lacombe, LA 70445, spoke in support of House Bill No. 264.

Heather Gauntt, representing the Bright family, 116 Gallery Street, no city or state provided, spoke in support of House Bill No. 264.

Zachary T. Daniels, executive director, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, 2525 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 264.

Representative Villio offered a motion to adopt the substitute bill. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Representative Villio offered a motion to report House Bill No. 264 by substitute. Without objection, House Bill No. 264 was reported by substitute by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in support and 1 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 985 by Representative Dickerson

Representative Dickerson presented House Bill No. 985, which provides relative to identification procedures for sex offenders.

Zachary T. Daniels, executive director, Louisiana District Attorneys Association, 2525 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 985.

Representative Knox offered a motion to report House Bill No. 985 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 985 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

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

House Bill No. 1109 by Representative Crews

This is a continuation of the discussion on House Bill No. 1109 from earlier in the meeting. Please check for the prior action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 1109.

Representative Crews appeared at the witness table for comment and personal privilege on House Bill No. 1109, which provides relative to the Post-Conviction Veterans Mentor Program and which was voluntarily deferred earlier in the meeting.

House Bill No. 955 by Representative Kerner

Representative Kerner presented House Bill No. 955, which creates licensure for a Cash Bail Fund Surety and a GPS Monitoring Provider.

On behalf of the author, 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, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Vice chair LaFleur in the chair.

Jill Dennis, Association of Supervised Ankle-Monitor Providers, 723 South Dupre Street, New Orleans, LA 70119, spoke in support of House Bill No. 955.

Representative Cox offered a motion to report House Bill No. 955 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 955 was reported with amendments by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays.

Representatives 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 and 3 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Further action was taken by the committee on House Bill No. 955 at a later point in the meeting. Please check for the subsequent action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 955.

House Bill No. 167 by Representative Freiberg

Representative Freiberg presented House Bill No. 167, which provides for the issuance of certain documentation and certification to inmates before their release from incarceration.

Representative LaFleur offered amendments to:

- (1) Clarify that the documentation provided pursuant to proposed law is for inmates housed in state correctional facilities.
- (2) Clarify that the copy of the birth certificate that can be provided to obtain a special ID card does not have to be a certified copy.
- (3) Change the term "time computation record" to "master prison record".
- (4) Provide that the special ID card is valid for six years, rather than four years.
- (5) Clarify that proposed law applies only to inmates who are in the physical custody and control of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections.
- (6) Require the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to provide an inmate with a copy of the educational and vocational training credentials or certifications of the inmate earned during incarceration, if applicable, rather than a copy of the inmate's vocational training record.
- (7) Require the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to provide the inmate with a copy of his birth certificate, rather than a certified copy, if obtainable.
- (8) Remove the requirement that the Department of Public Safety and Corrections provide an inmate with a resume, documentation of a simulated job interview, and notification of the inmate's eligibility to apply for certain occupational licenses or certifications.

- (9) Remove proposed law relative to certificates of employability regarding admissibility as evidence in certain legal proceedings.
- (10) Provide that proposed law applies only to inmates who are in the physical custody and control of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections and who are housed in a state correctional facility.
- (11) Make technical changes.

Representative LaFleur offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Kerry Myers, Louisiana Parole Project, 319 Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke in support of House Bill No. 167.

Dwight Hudson, Right on Crime, 901 Congress Avenue, Austin, TX 78701, spoke in support of House Bill No. 167.

Charles Phipps, Urban League of Louisiana, 4640 South Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70119, spoke in support of House Bill 167.

Representative Knox offered a motion to report House Bill No. 167 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 167 was reported with amendments by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, and Wiley voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 11 in support and 5 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Chair Villio in the chair.

House Bill No. 955 by Representative Kerner

This is a continuation of the discussion on House Bill No. 955 from earlier in the meeting. Please check for the prior action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 955.

Don Price, vice president of customer experience, Talitrix, no address provided, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 955.

House Bill No. 968 by Representative Turner

Representative Turner presented House Bill No. 968, which provides relative to electronic monitoring and associated costs.

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

- (1) Clarify that proposed law relative to payment of monitoring costs applies to adults under electronic monitoring supervision.
- (2) Remove specific references to the method of payment for monitoring costs.
- (3) Clarify that an additional monitoring condition of repayment of monitoring fees may be an imposed condition, rather than mandatory.
- (4) Remove proposed law that requires the court to issue a warrant for the arrest of a monitored person who fails to satisfy all or a portion of an outstanding or delinquent payment within the time period provided in proposed law.
- (5) Remove proposed law relative to procedures and duties of the court and electronic monitoring supervision providers when a monitored person fails to pay any costs associated with electronic monitoring.
- (6) Add duties of electronic monitoring supervision providers and the court relative to the monitored individual's nonpayment of supervision fees, notice procedures, contradictory hearings, the responsibility of the monitored individual relative to nonpayment of supervision fees, procedures for removal of monitoring devices, authorized actions of sureties, and limitations.
- (7) Make technical changes.

Representative Villio offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, LaFleur, and Moore voted yea.

Sarah Whittington, American Civil Liberties Union, P.O. Box 56157, New Orleans, LA 70156, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 968.

Representative LaFleur offered a motion to report House Bill No. 968 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 968 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

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

House Bill No. 1005 by Representative Muscarello

Representative Muscarello presented House Bill No. 1005, which provides relative to the office of the state public defender.

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

- (1) Restore present law relative to the Reentry Advisory Council.
- (2) Make technical changes.

Representative Villio 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, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Ted Brett Brunson, 204 Plantation Point, Natchitoches, LA 71457, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 1005.

Bruce Reilly, Voice of the Experienced, 4930 Washington Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70125, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 1005.

Tiffany Simpson, Office of the State Public Defender, 301 Main Street, Suite 700, Baton Rouge, LA 70825, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 1005.

Representative LaFleur offered a motion to involuntarily defer action on House Bill No. 1005, to which Representative Fontenot objected. Representative Fontenot offered a substitute motion to report House Bill No. 1005 with amendments, to which Representative LaFleur objected. The administrative assistant called the roll, and House Bill No. 1005 was reported with amendments by a vote of 6 yeas, 3 nays, and 1 abstention. Representatives Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Fontenot, Horton, and Wiley voted yea. Representatives Knox, LaFleur, and Moore voted nay. Representative Villio abstained.

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

House Bill No. 884 by Representative Spell

Representative Spell presented House Bill No. 884, which provides relative to survivors of sexually-oriented criminal offenses.

On behalf of the author, Representative Villio offered amendments in the form of a substitute bill. Representative Villio offered a motion to adopt the substitute bill. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, and Moore voted yea.

Representative Fontenot offered a motion to report House Bill No. 884 by substitute. Without objection, House Bill No. 884 was reported by substitute by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, 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: 12 in support, 4 for information only, and 1 designee of an elected official. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Bill No. 969 by Representative Wiley

Representative Wiley presented House Bill No. 969, which provides relative to compensation for victims of criminal offenses.

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

- (1) Add a stepsibling within the definitions of "claimant" and "family member".
- (2) Clarify that a victim or claimant cannot be denied or deemed ineligible for compensation for any conviction, adjudication of delinquency, or status as a probationer or parolee that is unrelated to the crime that would entitle the victim or claimant to compensation.
- (3) Include victims, rather than only claimants, relative to receipt of compensation from a collateral source and reimbursement from the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund.
- (4) Add a service provider as a payable entity from the treasurer when a compensation order has been rendered.
- (5) Clarify that any other third party can be civilly sued to recover damages for the personal injury or death suffered by the victim.
- (6) Remove the requirement of the Crime Victims' Compensation Board relative to setting standards for the location of the display posters that provide notification of the existence of the crime victim's compensation program.
- (7) Make technical changes.

Representative Villio offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Chenevert, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

Rebekah Taylor Hill, Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, 602 North Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 969.

Representative LaFleur offered a motion to report House Bill No. 969 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 969 was reported with amendments by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

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

Prepared statements were received via email for House Bill No. 969.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Wiley offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Villio, Boudreaux, Boyer, Cox, Fontenot, Horton, Knox, LaFleur, Moore, and Wiley voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair Debbie Villio
House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice