

ROLL CALL AND RECORD VOTE

Committee: House and Governmental Affairs

Location: Room 2

Date/Time: 04/23/25 9:30 a.m.

Staff: Joseph Chuter, Attorney
Annie Smith, Attorney
Sarah Baker, Committee Administrative Assistant
Natayveon Howard-Williams, Committee Assistant
Caroline Vanhoose, Clerk
Johnae Conner, Sergeant at Arms

Roll Call:	15	Convened:	09:32 AM
Number of Members:	16	At Ease:	10:57 AM
Quorum:	9	Convened:	11:00 AM
		Adjourned:	03:32 PM

Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Present	
Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Present	
Billings, Beth Anne	Present	
Boyd, Delisha	Present	
Carter, Sr., Wilford	Present	
Farnum, Les	Present	
Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Present	
Larvadain, III, Ed		Absent
Lyons, Rodney	Present	
Marcelle, C. Denise	Present	
McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Present	
Newell, Candace N.	Present	
Schamerhorn, Rodney	Present	
Thomas, Polly	Present	
Wright, Mark	Present	
Wyble, John E.	Present	

Motion made by: Thomas, Polly

Motion: 3 Minute Rule

Vote: 11-2

Vote Date: 4/23/2025 1:06:07 PM

Objection by: McMakin, Dixon Wallace

Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
Boyd, Delisha	Yea
Farnum, Les	Yea
Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
Lyons, Rodney	Yea
Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Nay
Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
Thomas, Polly	Yea
Wright, Mark	Yea
Wyble, John E.	Nay

HB200 by MCMAKIN

Provides for membership of the executive committee of a recognized political party in East Baton Rouge Parish

Amendment: HCAHB200 3645 1491

Motion made by: McMakin, Dixon Wallace

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote: 13-0

Vote Date: 4/23/2025 1:53:50 PM

Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
Boyd, Delisha	Yea
Farnum, Les	Yea
Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
Newell, Candace N.	Yea
Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
Thomas, Polly	Yea
Wright, Mark	Yea
Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB200 by MCMAKIN

Provides for membership of the executive committee of a recognized political party in East Baton Rouge Parish

Motion made by: McMakin, Dixon Wallace

Motion: With Amendments

Vote:	7-7	Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 3:31:54 PM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
Objection by:	Billings, Beth Anne	Billings, Beth Anne	Nay
		Boyd, Delisha	Nay
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Nay
		Lyons, Rodney	Nay
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Nay
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Nay
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Nay
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB200 by MCMAKIN

HB206 by MELERINE

Requires legislative authorization to give effect to certain actions regarding election procedures inconsistent with the Election Code

Motion made by: Thomas, Polly

Motion: Favorably

Vote:	9-0	Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 9:38:25 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea

HB206 by MELERINE

Final Action: Reported favorably. (9-0)

HB216 by JACKSON

Provides for the broadcast and recordation of meetings of the Board of Ethics

Amendment: To provide for an effective date

Motion made by: Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	14-0	Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 10:13:26 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Carter, Sr., Wilford	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB216 by JACKSON

Provides for the broadcast and recordation of meetings of the Board of Ethics

Motion made by: Newell, Candace N.

Motion: With Amendments

Vote:	14-0	Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 10:14:43 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Carter, Sr., Wilford	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB216 by JACKSON

Final Action: Reported with amendments. (14-0)

HB342 by BAYHAM

Provides relative to qualifying fees and nominating petitions for certain candidates

Amendment: HCAHB342 4311 1393

Motion made by: Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	10-0	Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 9:43:18 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea

Amendment: To change the qualifying fee for congressional candidates from \$2,500 to \$3,500

Motion made by: Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	10-0	Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 9:40:40 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea

HB342 by BAYHAM

Provides relative to qualifying fees and nominating petitions for certain candidates

Motion made by: Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert

Motion: With Amendments

Vote:	9-5	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 10:01:13 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
Objection by:	Lyons, Rodney	Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Nay
		Carter, Sr., Wilford	Nay
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Nay
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Nay
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Nay
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB342 by BAYHAM

Final Action: Reported with amendments. (9-5)

HB385 by BRYANT

Provides that the oath or affirmation of a public official shall be recorded at no charge to the official

Amendment: HCAHB385 4311 1505

Motion made by: Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	14-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 10:02:03 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Carter, Sr., Wilford	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

Motion made by: Newell, Candace N.

Motion: With Amendments

Vote:	13-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 10:07:18 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB385 by BRYANT

Final Action: Reported with amendments. (13-0)

HB397 by BEAULLIEU

Provides for revisions to the Code of Governmental Ethics

Amendment: HCAHB397 3645 1494

Motion made by: Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	10-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 10:29:49 AM	Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea

Motion made by: Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"

Motion: By Substitute

Vote:	14-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 10:54:13 AM	Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Carter, Sr., Wilford	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB397 by BEAULLIEU

Final Action: Reported by substitute. (14-0)

HB502 by BUTLER

Provides for the compensation, evaluation, duties, and removal of registrars of voters

Amendment: HCAHB502 3645 1514

Motion made by: Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	13-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 1:09:20 PM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB502 by BUTLER

Provides for the compensation, evaluation, duties, and removal of registrars of voters

Motion made by: Marcelle, C. Denise

Motion: With Amendments

Vote:	13-1	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 1:31:45 PM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
Objection by:	Farnum, Les	Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Nay
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB502 by BUTLER

Final Action: Reported with amendments. (13-1)

HB590 by SPELL

Provides relative to foreign funding for elections and ballot measures

Amendment: HCAHB590 3645 1434

Motion made by: Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	12-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 12:39:01 PM	Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Carter, Sr., Wilford	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

Motion made by: Thomas, Polly

Motion: With Amendments

Vote:	13-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 1:04:13 PM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB590 by SPELL

Final Action: Reported with amendments. (13-0)

HB603 by MCMAKIN

Amends the appointing process for certain occupational licensing boards, committees, and authorities

Amendment: HCAHB603 4311 1504

Motion made by: McMakin, Dixon Wallace

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	14-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 1:48:47 PM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

Motion made by: McMakin, Dixon Wallace

Motion: With Amendments

Vote:	14-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 1:51:35 PM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB603 by MCMAKIN

Final Action: Reported with amendments. (14-0)

HB617 by CARVER

Reorganizes the Department of Children and Family Services

Amendment: HCAHB617 4311 1364

Motion made by: Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	12-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 1:38:44 PM	Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB617 by CARVER

Reorganizes the Department of Children and Family Services

Motion made by: Wyble, John E.

Motion: With Amendments

Vote:	13-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 1:46:45 PM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB617 by CARVER

Final Action: Reported with amendments. (13-0)

HB624 by BERAULT

Transfers certain family and support programs from the Department of Children and Family Services to the Louisiana Workforce Commission and renames Louisiana Workforce Commission to Louisiana Works

Amendment: HCAHB624 3645 1515

Motion made by: Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	14-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 11:13:18 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Carter, Sr., Wilford	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

Amendment: HCAHB624 3645 1511

Motion made by: Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"

AMD Motion: Adopt

Vote:	14-0	Beaullieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 11:13:42 AM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Carter, Sr., Wilford	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB624 by BERAULT

Transfers certain family and support programs from the Department of Children and Family Services to the Louisiana Workforce Commission and renames Louisiana Workforce Commission to Louisiana Works

Motion made by: Wyble, John E.

Motion: With Amendments

Vote:	12-0	Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 12:34:26 PM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB624 by BERAULT

Final Action: Reported with amendments. (12-0)

HB625 by BUTLER

Provides for a special statewide election on April 18, 2026, for submitting proposed constitutional amendments to the state's electors

Motion made by: Wyble, John E.

Motion: Favorably

Vote:	12-0	Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 1:36:07 PM	Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea

HB625 by BUTLER

Final Action: Reported favorably. (12-0)

Motion made by: Thomas, Polly

Motion: Adjourn

Vote:	14-0	Beaulieu, IV, Gerald "Beau"	Yea
Vote Date:	4/23/2025 3:32:13 PM	Bayham, Jr., Michael Robert	Yea
		Billings, Beth Anne	Yea
		Boyd, Delisha	Yea
		Farnum, Les	Yea
		Gadberry, Foy Bryan	Yea
		Lyons, Rodney	Yea
		Marcelle, C. Denise	Yea
		McMakin, Dixon Wallace	Yea
		Newell, Candace N.	Yea
		Schamerhorn, Rodney	Yea
		Thomas, Polly	Yea
		Wright, Mark	Yea
		Wyble, John E.	Yea