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THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Wednesday, April 2, 1997

The House of Representatives was called to order at 3:30 P.M.,
by the Honorable H. B. "Hunt" Downer, Jr., Speaker of the House of
Representatives.

Morning Hour

ROLL CALL

The roll being called, the following members answered to their
names:

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker Glover Pinac
Alario Green Powell
Alexander, A.—93rd Guillory Pratt
Alexander, R.—13th Hammett Quezaire
Ansardi Heaton Riddle
Barton Hebert Romero
Baudoin Hill Rousselle
Baylor Holden Salter
Bowler Hopkins Scalise
Bruce Hudson Schneider
Brun Hebert Shaw
Bruneau Iles Smith, J.D.—50th
Carter Jenkins Smith, J.R.—30th
Chaisson Jetson Stelly
Clarkson Johns Strain
Copelin Kennard Theriot
Crane Kenney Thomas
Curtis Lancaster Thompson
Damico Landrieu Thornhill
Daniel LeBlanc Toomy
Deville Long Travis
DeWitt Marionneaux Triche
Diez Martiny Vitter
Dimos McCaun Walsworth
Doerge McCallum Warner
Donelon McDonald Welch
Dupre Mains Weston
Durand Michot Wiggins
Farve Mitchell Wilkerson

ABSENT

Total—105

The Speaker announced that there were 105 members present
and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rep. Riddle.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Powell led the House in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance
to the Flag of the United States of America.

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Rep. Morrish, the reading of the Journal was
dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Holden, the Journal of April 1, 1997, was
corrected to reflect him as voting yea on the motion to refer House
Bill No. 967 to the Committee on Environment.

On motion of Rep. Morrish, the Journal of April 1, 1997, was
corrected to reflect him as voting nay on the motion to refer House
Bill No. 967 to the Committee on Environment.

On motion of Rep. Wiggins, the Journal of April 1, 1997, was
adopted.

Petitions, Memorials and
Communications

The following petitions, memorials, and communications were
received and read:

Message from the Senate

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

April 1, 1997

To the honorable Speaker and Members of the House of
Representatives:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has
concurred in the following House Concurrent Resolutions:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1
Reported without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3
Reported without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 8
Reported without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 9
Reported without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 14
Reported without amendments.
Senate Concurrent Resolutions

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions contained in the message were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47—
BY SENATOR CAIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend the South Beauregard High School Lady K's for their outstanding season and for their performance in the Sweet Sixteen State Championship.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Hill, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 56—
BY SENATORS BAGOJE AND IRONS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. for their exemplary efforts to afford girls from all segments of American life a chance to develop their potential, to become a vital part of their community, and to make life-long friends; and to congratulate the Girl Scouts on the 85th anniversary of girl scouting in the United States.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Pratt, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was concurred in.

Introduction of Resolutions,
House and House Concurrent

The following members introduced the following entitled House and House Concurrent Resolutions, which were read the first time by their titles and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 13—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCAIN
A RESOLUTION
To create an interim committee to study the problems associated with the solicitation of clients by some attorneys.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 81—
BY REPRESENTATIVES JETSON, ALEXANDER, BAYLOR, COPELIN, CURTIS, FARVE, GLOVER, GREEN, GUILORY, HOLDEN, HUDSON, HUNTER, MITCHELL, MORRELL, MURRAY, PIERRE, PRATT, QUEZAIRE, WELCH, WESTON, WILKERSON, AND WILLARD-LEWIS AND SENATORS BAGNERIS, BAGOJE, CRAVINS, FIELDS, GUIDRY, IRONS, JOHNSON, JONES, AND TARVER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To remember Ennis William Cosby and to reflect upon his brief but meaningful lifetime of contributions and to offer condolences to his friends and to his family members and to those persons whose lives he has indelibly touched.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Jetson, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

Respectfully submitted,
MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 82—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION  
To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Mr. Alfred P. Giarrusso, and to pay tribute to his many contributions to this state and its citizens.  

Read by title.  

On motion of Rep. Murray, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.  

Ordered to the Senate.  

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 83—  
BY REPRESENTATIVES DANIEL, KENNARD, CRANE, HOLDEN, JENKINS, JETSON, MCMAINS, PERKINS, JOHN SMITH, TRAVIS, WELCH, AND WESTON  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION  
To commend and congratulate Coach Dale D. Brown for twenty-five years of service with and inspiration to the Louisiana State University basketball program, to pay tribute to his many contributions to Louisiana State University, his community, and this state, and to wish him continued success in all of his future endeavors.  

Read by title.  

On motion of Rep. Daniel, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.  

Ordered to the Senate.  

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 84—  
BY REPRESENTATIVES WINDHORST AND CLARKSON  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION  
To request the Federal Transit Administration through its regional administrator for Region VI to redesignate the transit lanes on the Crescent City Connection Bridge No. 2 from “high occupancy vehicle seven” (HOV 7) to “high occupancy vehicle two” (HOV 2).  

Read by title.  

Lies over under the rules.  

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 85—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION  
To urge and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study and make recommendations to the legislature for an easier and less costly method of reviving a money judgment.  

Read by title.  

Lies over under the rules.  

Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions  

The following named members introduced the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions, which were read the first time by their titles, and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:  

HOUSE BILL NO. 897—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY  
AN ACT  
To enact R.S. 41:897, relative to school boards; to authorize the Bossier Parish School Board to exchange unused school land, including but not limited to sixteenth section land; to provide procedures, terms, and conditions, including advertisement, appraisals, and public hearings; and to provide for related matters.  

Read by title.  

HOUSE BILL NO. 1648—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY  
AN ACT  
To enact R.S. 47:322.1, relative to the proceeds of state sales tax on hotel occupancy in Bossier and Caddo Parishes; to create the “Bossier-Caddo Enterprise Fund”; to dedicate a portion of such tax collected in the parishes of Bossier and Caddo to the fund; to provide for deposit of monies into the fund and allowable uses of the fund; and to provide for related matters.  

Read by title.  

HOUSE BILL NO. 2257—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE HUDSON  
AN ACT  
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:398, relative to report forms for traffic accidents; to provide that the forms shall direct the investigating officer to instruct the parties to the accident to exchange information concerning drivers, vehicles, and liability insurance; and to provide for related matters.  

Read by title.  

HOUSE BILL NO. 2258—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DIMOS  
AN ACT  
To enact R.S. 22:228.7, relative to health and accident insurance; to require health and accident insurers to provide coverage for certain anesthesia and hospital charges for dental procedures; and to provide for related matters.  

Read by title.  

HOUSE BILL NO. 2259—  
BY REPRESENTATIVES ANSARDI, MARTINY, TOOMY, AND DAMICO  
AN ACT  
To amend and reenact R.S. 27:65(B)(1)(a) and (b)(i) and to enact R.S. 27:65(C), relative to riverboat gaming; to provide for dockside gaming in certain parishes; and to provide for related matters.  

Read by title.  

HOUSE BILL NO. 2260—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD-LEWIS  
AN ACT  
To amend and reenact R.S. 14:91.13(B), relative to the crime of illegal use, consumption, possession, or distribution of controlled dangerous substances in the presence of certain minors; to increase the penalties for the commission of the offense; and to provide for related matters.  

Read by title.  

HOUSE BILL NO. 2261—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD-LEWIS  
AN ACT  
To amend and reenact R.S. 14:42.1(A) and 43(A)(1), relative to the crime of rape; to provide that a rape where the victim's condition is induced by administration of intoxicating, narcotic, anesthetic agent, or controlled dangerous substance constitutes forcible rape; and to provide for related matters.  

Read by title.
HOUSE BILL NO. 2262—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD-LEWIS
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 45:1166(F), relative to telephone services; to prohibit the transferring of long distance services without the written authorization of the customer; and to provide for related matters.
Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2263—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUCE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 15:540, 545(A), 546(A) and (B)(1), 547(A), (B), and (C)(1), and 548(H) and to enact R.S. 15:541(9) through (16) and 542.1, relative to sexually violent and child predators; to provide for certain definitions; to provide for registration of sex offenders, sexually violent predators, and child predators; to provide for creation of sexual predator commissions; to provide for requirements for and information included in registration; to provide for determinations to be made by the court and the commission; to provide for periods of time for registration and reporting of information; to provide for information to be included in the registry; to provide for annual verification; to provide for penalties; to provide for notification requirements; to provide for certain immunities; and to provide for related matters.
Read by title.

Reports of Committees
The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on Natural Resources
April 2, 1997

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Natural Resources to submit the following report:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 10, by Dupre
Reported with amendments. (16-0)

House Concurrent Resolution No. 25, by Strain
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Concurrent Resolution No. 33, by Bruneau
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Concurrent Resolution No. 35, by Frith
Reported with amendments. (15-0)

House Bill No. 53, by Bruneau
Reported favorably. (13-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 108, by Flavin
Reported with amendments. (12-3) (Regular)

House Bill No. 140, by Faucheux
Reported favorably. (15-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 157, by Doerge
Reported with amendments. (16-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 283, by McCain
Reported favorably. (13-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 304, by Downer
Reported favorably. (15-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 305, by Downer
Reported favorably. (15-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 404, by Hammett
Reported with amendments. (15-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 409, by Strain
Reported favorably. (12-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 604, by Strain
Reported favorably. (13-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 619, by Diez
Reported favorably. (16-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1100, by Travis
Reported favorably. (15-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1113, by Faucheux
Reported favorably. (14-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1360, by Travis
Reported favorably. (15-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1472, by Powell
Reported favorably. (17-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1617, by Wiggins
Reported favorably. (16-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1855, by Kenney
Reported favorably. (15-0) (Regular)

JOHN R. SMITH
Chairman

Report of the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs
April 2, 1997

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to submit the following report:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 68, by Downer
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Concurrent Resolution No. 70, by Downer
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Concurrent Resolution No. 71, by Downer
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 33, by Riddle
Reported with amendments. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 435, by Bruneau
Reported favorably. (12-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 590, by Lancaster
Reported favorably. (12-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 591, by Lancaster
Reported favorably. (12-0) (Regular)
House Bill No. 592, by Lancaster
Reported favorably. (12-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 636, by Bruneau
Reported with amendments. (12-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1597, by Bruneau
Reported with amendments. (11-0) (Regular)

CHARLES D. LANCASTER, JR.
Chairman

Report of the Committee on Health and Welfare
April 2, 1997

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Health and Welfare to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 1162, by Rodney Alexander
Reported with amendments. (13-0) (Regular)

RODNEY ALEXANDER
Chairman

Report of the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice
April 2, 1997

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 91, by Dupre
Reported favorably. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 103, by Dupre
Reported with amendments. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 104, by Dupre
Reported favorably. (9-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 105, by Dupre
Reported favorably. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 166, by Perkins
Reported favorably. (6-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 445, by Marionneaux
Reported with amendments. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 578, by Windhorst
Reported with amendments. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 698, by Windhorst
Reported favorably. (6-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 760, by Salter
Reported with amendments. (7-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 777, by Windhorst
Reported favorably. (6-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 886, by Marionneaux
Reported favorably. (7-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 908, by Bruce
Reported with amendments. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 937, by Kennard
Reported favorably. (7-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 938, by Kennard
Reported favorably. (7-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 942, by McCain
Reported favorably. (7-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 943, by McCain
Reported favorably. (7-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 945, by McCain
Reported favorably. (7-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 965, by Windhorst
Reported favorably. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1205, by Heaton
Reported favorably. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1251, by Windhorst
Reported favorably. (9-1-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1459, by Heaton
Reported favorably. (5-2-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 2253, by Morrell
Reported favorably. (8-0-1) (Regular)

STEPHEN J. WINDHORST
Chairman

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions lying over were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6—
BY SENATOR HEITMEIER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend Ted Davisson for his actions in averting disaster on the Mississippi River.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Windhorst, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9—
BY SENATOR HANKEL
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend Representative John T. Bragg for his extraordinary service to the people of Tennessee and to the legislative bodies of our nation.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was concurred in.
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—
BY SENATORS THEUNISSEN, CAIN, CASANOVA, COX AND HINES
AND REPRESENTATIVES FLAVIN, GUILLORY, HILL, ISLES, JOHNS,
MORRISH, AND STELLY
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the
death of D.C. "Chick" Green.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Morrish, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana
upon the death of former state representative James B. "J.B."
Broussard.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Morrish, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—
BY SENATORS HAINKEL, LANDRY AND ROBICHAUX AND
REPRESENTATIVES TRICHE AND DOWNER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the
death of Betsy Cheramie Ayo.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Triche, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23—
BY SENATOR HAINKEL
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the
death of Mississippi State Representative William Jerome
Huskey and to commend his life and public service.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24—
BY SENATOR COX
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend former Louisiana Supreme Court Justice and United
States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Albert Tate, Jr. for
his many scholarly contributions to the development of the law
in Louisiana and for his many achievements on the bench.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Flavin, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36—
BY SENATOR GUIDRY
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate the 1997 Louisiana State University
Lady Tigers for winning their fifth consecutive National
Collegiate Athletic Association Indoor Track and Field
Championship and to record the outstanding accomplishments
of this record-setting team.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Kennard, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 37—
BY SENATOR GUIDRY
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend the players, coaches and managerial
personnel of Southern University Laboratory School on
capturing an impressive fifth consecutive Class 1-A state
basketball championship.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Holden, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 43—
BY SENATOR CAIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend the Anacoco High School Lady Indians,
the Hicks High School Lady Pirates, the South Beauregard High
School Lady K's, and the Merryville High School Lady Panthers
for their outstanding seasons and for their performances in the
Sweet Sixteen State Championships.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Hill, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 44—
BY SENATOR CAIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend the Merryville High School Lady
Panthers for their outstanding season and for their performance
in the Sweet Sixteen State Championship.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Hill, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45—
BY SENATOR CAIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend the Anacoco High School Lady Indians
for their outstanding season and for their performance in the
Sweet Sixteen State Championship.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Hill, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 46—
BY SENATOR CAIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend the Hicks High School Lady Pirates for
their outstanding season and for their performance in the Sweet
Sixteen State Championship.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Hill, and under a suspension of the rules,
the resolution was concurred in.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Second Reading to be Referred

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second
reading to be referred to committees were taken up, read, and referred
to committees, as follows:
HOUSE BILL NO. 2254—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 56:326(A)(1), relative to size limits for crabs; to exempt from those limits premolt crabs held for softshell production; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2255—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1662, relative to nonprofit mutual associations; to provide for the disclosure of officer's compensation; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2256—
BY REPRESENTATIVE COPELIN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 27:18, relative to the Louisiana Gaming Control Board; to provide for venue for civil proceedings involving gaming licensees; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committees

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading reported by committees were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 38—
BY REPRESENTATIVES JOHN SMITH, KENNARD, AND ILES
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:402(C)(1), relative to drivers' licenses; to provide that civilian employees of the U.S. military who are required to operate emergency vehicles need only a Class "E" driver's license; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

On motion of Rep. Diez, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 138—
BY REPRESENTATIVES TRICHE AND DOERGE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:61, relative to motor vehicles; to increase the maximum speed limit on four-lane and Interstate highways; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported without action by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Diez, the bill was withdrawn from the files of the House.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Triche, the vote by which the bill was withdrawn from the files of the House was reconsidered.

On motion of Rep. Triche, the bill was returned to the calendar subject to call.

HOUSE BILL NO. 141—
BY REPRESENTATIVES FONTENOT, KENNARD, AND DIEZ
AN ACT
To designate Louisiana Highway 42 from the Springfield, Louisiana, corporate limits in Livingston Parish to its intersection with Louisiana Highway 22 as the "A. J. Davis Highway, Captain USAF"; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

On motion of Rep. Diez, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 218—
BY REPRESENTATIVES CURTIS AND WIGGINS
AN ACT
To designate the bridge on U.S. Highway 167 over the Red River between Alexandria and Pineville as the Purple Heart Memorial Bridge.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

On motion of Rep. Diez, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 917—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DIEZ AND DEWITT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:61 and 62, relative to maximum speed limits; to increase the maximum speed limits on the interstate and controlled access highways, multilane highways, and all other highways; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

On motion of Rep. Diez, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.
Motion

On motion of Rep. Holden, the Committee on Health and Welfare was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 1314.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1314—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLDEN
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 22:24, relative to health care; to create the Louisiana Healthy Kids Corporation Act; to provide children with increased access to health care; to improve children's health; to reduce the incidence and cost of childhood illnesses and disabilities; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Holden, the above bill was recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Donelon, the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 1940.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1940—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DONELON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 24:523, relative to mandated health insurance benefits impact reports; to require that such reports be prepared by the legislative auditor and be attached to proposed legislation which provides for certain mandated health insurance coverage prior to any committee hearing on the legislation; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Donelon, the above bill was recommitted to the Committee on Insurance.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Toomy, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Judiciary to meet on Thursday, April 3, 1997.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Stelly, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Retirement to meet on Thursday, April 3, 1997.

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Windhorst, at 4:00 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Thursday, April 3, 1997, at 1:30 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 1:30 P.M., Thursday, April 3, 1997.

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House

C. Wayne Hays
Journal Clerk, Emeritus