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**OF THE**  
**STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**THIRTY-FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**Twenty-third Regular Session of the Legislature**  
**Under the Adoption of the**  
**Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives  
 State Capitol  
 Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Tuesday, May 13, 1997

The Committee was called to order at 2:40 P.M. by Chairman Long.

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the calling of the roll was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the Committee of the Whole House Journal of Monday, May 12, 1997, was adopted.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the Committee took under consideration House Bill No. 1 at this time.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1—**  
 BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC  
 AN ACT

Making appropriations for the ordinary expenses of the executive branch of state government, pensions, public schools, public roads, public charities, and state institutions and providing with respect to the expenditure of said appropriations.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the Committee, in considering House Bill No. 1, proceeded *seriatim*.

Rep. Doerge sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Doerge in the Committee of the Whole House to engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 206, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for payment of uncollected back supplemental pay to Tom Guy Mandino as provided in House Bill No. 1601 of the 1997 Regular Session \$ 1,322"

Rep. Doerge moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

A record vote was asked for and ordered by the House.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Alario	Faucheux	Pierre
Barton	Frith	Quezaire
Baylor	Gautreaux	Romero
Bruce	Glover	Salter
Brun	Green	Shaw
Carter	Heaton	Smith, J.D.—50th
Chaisson	Hill	Thomas
Clarkson	Holden	Thompson
Damico	Hopkins	Thornhill
DeWitt	Iles	Warner
Doerge	McCain	Wilkerson
Dupre	Montgomery	Willard-Lewis
Durand	Morrell	Windhorst
Total—39		

NAYS

Alexander, A.—93rd	Fontenot	Michot
Alexander, R.—13th	Forster	Morrish
Ansardi	Fruge	Murray
Baudoin	Guillory	Odinet
Bowler	Hammett	Perkins
Copelin	Hunter	Pratt
Crane	Jenkins	Riddle
Curtis	Johns	Scalise
Daniel	Kenney	Stelly
Deville	Landrieu	Theriot
Diez	LeBlanc	Vitter
Dimos	Martiny	Welch
Donelon	McCallum	
Farve	McDonald	
Total—40		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Marionneaux	Toomy
Bruneau	McMains	Travis
Flavin	Mitchell	Triche
Hebert	Pinac	Walsworth
Hudson	Powell	Weston
Jetson	Rousselle	Wiggins
Kennard	Schneider	Winston
Lancaster	Smith, J.R.—30th	Wright
Long	Strain	
Total—26		

The amendments were rejected.

Rep. Toomy sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Toomy in the Committee of the Whole House to engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 220, at the end of line 23, change "\$23,000,000" to "\$21,603,624"

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## AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 220, between lines 26 and 27, insert the following:

### "09-306 MEDICAL VENDOR PAYMENTS

#### EXPENDITURES:

To provide for three hundred forty (340) additional slots in the MR/DD Waiver Program

	\$ 3,878,429
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 3,878,429
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#### MEANS OF FINANCING:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 1,149,566
Federal Funds	\$ 2,728,863

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$ 3,878,429
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#### EXPENDITURES:

To provide case management services associated with three hundred forty (340) new MR/DD Waiver slots

	\$ 599,760
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 599,760
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#### MEANS OF FINANCING:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 177,769
Federal Funds	\$ 421,991

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$ 599,760
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#### EXPENDITURES:

To provide acute medical care costs associated with three hundred forty (340) new MR/DD Waiver slots

	\$ 232,931
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 232,931
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#### MEANS OF FINANCING:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 69,041
Federal Funds	\$ 163,890

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$ 232,931"
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On motion of Rep. Toomy, the amendments were withdrawn.

Rep. Pratt sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Pratt in the Committee of the Whole House to engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

## AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 220, between lines 26 and 27, insert the following:

"Section 18. In the event that the official forecast for Fiscal Year 1997-1998 is revised to incorporate revenues over and above the official forecast of revenues available for appropriation on January 27, 1997, and which are in excess of the revenues required to satisfy the appropriation contained in Section 17 of this Act, but only to the extent that such revenues are not attributable to the suspension or inapplicability of any exemptions to the sales and use tax levied pursuant to R. S. 47:321 and 322, the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary are hereby appropriated out of the

monies in the state treasury from the sources specified for the year commencing July 1, 1997 and ending June 30, 1998; provided, however, this Section shall be subject to all conditions set forth in Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. To the extent that such State General Fund revenues are less than the amount required to fund this appropriation, then the general fund appropriation shall be reduced proportionately.

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for a \$150 for full-time and \$75 for part-time employee salary increase for all aides as defined per Department of Education Bulletin 1929 object code 115 (all functions), for clerical/secretarial employees object code 114 (all functions), for service workers object code 116 (all functions), for skilled craftsmen object code 117 (all functions), and for other noninstructional support services personnel object code 119 (functions 2300 through 3000) employed by the sixty-six public school systems and for nonpublic lunchroom employees eligible for state salary supplements \$ 6,800,000"

## AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 220, line 27, change "Section 18." to "Section 19."

Rep. Pratt moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

A record vote was asked for and ordered by the House.

### ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

#### YEAS

Alario	Glover	Pratt
Alexander, A.—93rd	Green	Quezairé
Alexander, R.—13th	Guillory	Riddle
Ansardi	Hammett	Romero
Baudoin	Heaton	Rousselle
Baylor	Hebert	Salter
Bruce	Hill	Schneider
Carter	Holden	Shaw
Chaisson	Hudson	Smith, J.D.—50th
Clarkson	Iles	Strain
Copelin	Jetson	Theriot
Curtis	Johns	Thomas
Damico	Landrieu	Thompson
Deville	Long	Thornhill
Diez	McCain	Travis
Doerge	McCallum	Warner
Dupre	Mitchell	Welch
Durand	Morrell	Weston
Farve	Murray	Wiggins
Faucheux	Odinot	Wilkerson
Flavin	Pierre	Willard-Lewis
Frith	Pinac	Wright
Total—66		

#### NAYS

Mr. Speaker	Donelon	Morrish
Barton	Fontenot	Perkins
Bowler	Fruge	Scalise
Brun	Hopkins	Stelly
Bruneau	Jenkins	Vitter
Crane	LeBlanc	Walsworth

Daniel	McDonald	Windhorst
DeWitt	McMains	Winston
Dimos	Michot	
Total—26		

ABSENT

Forster	Lancaster	Smith, J.R.—30th
Gautreaux	Marionneaux	Toomy
Hunter	Martiny	Triche
Kennard	Montgomery	
Kenney	Powell	
Total—13		

The amendments were adopted.

Rep. Bruneau sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Bruneau in the Committee of the Whole House to engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 220, between lines 26 and 27, insert the following:

"Section 18. Urban Development Funding

Payable out of State General Fund Direct to provide grant awards to suburban areas of the state which shall only be distributed according to the following provisions:

(1) Grants shall be available for projects, programs, or services including, but not limited to: capital outlay projects; economic development projects; educational programs; and elderly and youth services, and only to those entities which will utilize the funds to achieve a measurable improvement in health, environmental or living conditions or a measurable impact on economic development in the area in which the project or program is funded.

(2) Grants shall be available to public entities, including the state and its agencies and subdivisions and private, nonprofit entities for projects or programs in suburban areas. A suburban area shall mean that portion of a parish with a population of not less than one hundred thousand and/or a municipality with a population of not less than 25,000 not currently receiving urban or rural development funds.

(3) Grants shall be allocated within legislative districts or the portion of such districts which lie within the suburban areas. One-half of the total annual appropriation shall be allocated to the House of Representative districts, and one-half shall be allocated to Senate districts. The level of funding shall be determined on a pro rata basis to all qualifying suburban areas.

(4) Grants shall be available only to entities which can demonstrate that they are supported by funding from other sources. All applicants must submit data relative to the service population or

geographic area to be served which, at a minimum, shall detail the socio-economic impact of a proposed project or grant.

(5) No grant shall be considered which is not accompanied by a letter of support from the member of the legislature who represents the district to which the particular grant is allocated.

(6) Funds shall be distributed to grant recipients on a monthly basis only upon submission of invoices, and all funds must be paid into a separate bank account from any other account the recipient may have.

(7) The office of rural affairs shall administer this program and may establish rules and regulations to implement the same. \$ 5,000,000."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 220, line 27, change "Section 18." to "Section 19."

Rep. Bruneau moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. LeBlanc objected.

A record vote was asked for and ordered by the House.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Ansardi	Fruge	Schneider
Bruneau	Gautreaux	Thornhill
Clarkson	Hill	Toomy
Crane	Jenkins	Travis
Diez	Landrieu	Walsworth
Dimos	Martiny	Windhorst
Dupre	Perkins	Winston
Fontenot	Scalise	Wright
Total—24		

NAYS

Alario	Flavin	Murray
Alexander, A.—93rd	Green	Odinet
Alexander, R.—13th	Guillory	Pierre
Barton	Hammitt	Pinac
Baudoin	Heaton	Pratt
Baylor	Holden	Quezaire
Bowler	Hopkins	Riddle
Bruce	Hudson	Romero
Brun	Hunter	Rousselle
Carter	Iles	Salter
Chaisson	Johns	Smith, J.D.—50th
Copelin	Kenney	Stelly
Curtis	LeBlanc	Strain
Damico	Long	Theriot
Daniel	McCain	Thomas
Deville	McCallum	Thompson
DeWitt	McMains	Vitter
Doerge	Michot	Warner
Donelon	Mitchell	Welch
Durand	Montgomery	Weston
Farve	Morrell	Wilkerson
Faucheux	Morrish	Willard-Lewis
Total—66		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Jetson	Powell
Forster	Kennard	Shaw
Frith	Lancaster	Smith, J.R.—30th
Glover	Marionneaux	Triche
Hebert	McDonald	Wiggins
Total—15		

The amendments were rejected.

Rep. Toomy sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Toomy in the Committee of the Whole House to engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 220, at the end of line 23, change "\$23,000,000" to "\$21,600,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 220, between lines 26 and 27, insert the following:

"09-340 OFFICE FOR CITIZENS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for Community Support Services for 160 persons who are on the MR/DD Waiver waiting list	\$ 1,116,536
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Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for Case Management for Community Support Services for 160 persons who are on the MR/DD Waiver waiting list	\$ 283,464"
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On motion of Rep. Toomy, the amendments were adopted.

Rep. Hudson sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Hudson in the Committee of the Whole House to engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 220, between lines 26 and 27, insert the following:

"Section 18. In the event that the official forecast for Fiscal Year 1997-1998 is revised to incorporate revenues over and above the official forecast of revenues available for appropriation on January 27, 1997, and which are in excess of the revenues required to satisfy the appropriation contained in Section 17 of this Act, but only to the extent that such revenues are not attributable to the suspension or inapplicability of any exemptions to the sales and use tax levied pursuant to R. S. 47:321 and 322, the following sums or so much thereof as may be necessary are hereby appropriated out of the monies in the state treasury from the sources specified for the year commencing July 1, 1997 and ending June 30, 1998; provided, however, this Section shall be subject to all conditions set forth in Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and

only in the event that House Bill No. 2266 of the 1997 Regular Session is enacted into law. To the extent that such State General Fund revenues are less than the amount required to fund this appropriation, then the general fund appropriation shall be reduced proportionately.

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for additional compensation for school bus drivers in the event that House Bill No. 2266 of the 1997 Regular Session is enacted into law	\$ 5,800,000"
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AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 220, line 27, change "Section 18." to "Section 19."

On motion of Rep. Hudson, the amendments were withdrawn.

Rep. Windhorst sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representatives Windhorst, Alario, Clarkson, Damico, Green, and Rousselle in the Committee of the Whole House to engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 44, line 16, change "\$15,487,801" to "\$14,649,801"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 45, line 33, change "\$285,020,573" to "\$284,182,573"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 45, line 38, change "\$37,620,421" to "\$36,782,421"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 45, line 45, change "\$285,020,573" to "\$284,182,573"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 45, between lines 45 and 46, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that expenditures by the Crescent City Connection Division from toll revenues contained in this Act for bridges and ferries shall not exceed \$9,975,958. Further provided that the Crescent City Connection Division shall submit a revised budget for approval by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget by September 1, 1997."

On motion of Rep. Windhorst, the amendments were adopted.

Rep. LeBlanc sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative LeBlanc in the Committee of the Whole House to engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 101, line 36, delete "/client" and at the end of the line change "\$605" to "\$605,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 195, line 6, between "the" and "norm-" delete "LEAP"

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the amendments were adopted.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the Committee of the Whole House agreed to rise and report.

ALFRED W. SPEER  
Clerk of the House

C. Wayne Hays  
Journal Clerk, *Emeritus*

