The House of Representatives was called to order at 4:00 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           Guillory         Powell
Alario                Hammett         Pratt
Alexander, A.—93rd   Heaton          Quezaire
Alexander, R.—13th   Hebert           Riddle
Ansardi               Hill             Romero
Barton                Holden           Rousselle
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Bowler                Hunter          Schneider
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Copelin               Kenney          Strain
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Curtis                Landrieu        Thomas
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Donelon               McDonald        Waddell
Dupre                 McMains         Walsworth
Durand                Michot          Warner
Farve                 Mitchell        Welch
Faucheux              Montgomery      Weston
Flavin                Morrell         Wiggins

ABSENT

Total—104

The Speaker announced that there were 104 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rev. P. Rodney Wood.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Quezaire 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. Walsworth, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Walsworth, the Journal of June 8, 1998, was adopted.

Petitions, Memorials and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

June 9, 1998

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. 104
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 118
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 119
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 120
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 123
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 124
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 125
Returned without amendments.
House Concurrent Resolution No. 126
Returned without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment
June 9, 1998

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

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

The following House Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WINDHORST
A RESOLUTION
To adopt House Rules 6.8(F) and (G) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to require certain legislative instruments with a certain fiscal cost to be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations and to require that certain legislative instruments which increase or decrease fees or taxes or which authorize an increase in taxes to be recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WINDHORST
A RESOLUTION
To amend and readopt House Rule 6.16 of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to provide that certain appointments to certain conference committees be made only after a request by the member who handled the legislation or a member of the standing committee to which the legislation or its duplicate was or would have been referred.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 58—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY
A RESOLUTION
To express the intent of the legislature with regard to the enactment of R.S. 33:2711(A)(2) which authorizes certain municipal sales taxes.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 59—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH
A RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate Johnnie W. Tarver for his thirty years of service to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and to the state of Louisiana.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 60—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL
A RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Department of Revenue to review the policy and practice of the department as it relates to Technical Advisory Memorandum 97-001.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 61—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DOWNER AND MCMAINS
A RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend Nathalie diBenedetto for her many years of leadership and dedicated service in historic preservation activities.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 62—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCALLUM
A RESOLUTION
To urge and request the office of state parks to study the feasibility of making Camp Ruston in Lincoln Parish a state commemorative area and to report its findings to the House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs prior to the beginning of the 1999 Regular Session.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 63—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH
A RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to review and amend its policies and practices relative to seismic activities in order to achieve conformity with state law, jurisprudence, and legislative intent.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 64—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD
A RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate Mr. Patrick Swilling and Ms. Robin Robinson Swilling for their outstanding professional, business, and personal contributions to the New Orleans community.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 65—
BY REPRESENTATIVES THOMAS AND STRAIN
A RESOLUTION
To express the sincere condolences of the House of Representatives of the Louisiana Legislature to the family of Varnado Fussell, former mayor of Franklinton, upon his death.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 66—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLDEN
A RESOLUTION
To commend Mr. Avery Johnson, a member of the San Antonio Spurs, upon being named the recipient of the 1997-1998 NBA Sportsmanship Award.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 67—
BY REPRESENTATIVES WILKERSON AND WADDELL
A RESOLUTION
To express support and appreciation for the Jambalaya Jubilee, including its participants, sponsors, and supporters.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 68—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER
A RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate Ms. Qiana Teresa Maple on her selection to the Shreveport Times 1998 All-Academic Team.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 69—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER
A RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate Angela Deas upon being selected to the Shreveport Times 1998 All-Academic Team.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 70—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLDEN
A RESOLUTION
To commend Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bologna of Baton Rouge upon the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD RAY KENNARD
Chairman

The above House Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.
Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

June 9, 1998

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

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

The following House Concurrent Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 104—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCDONALD
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To provide for legislative approval of the formula developed by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and adopted by the board on June 1, 1998, to determine the cost of a minimum foundation program of education in all public elementary and secondary schools as well as to equitably allocate the funds to parish and city school systems.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 118—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate the Crowley Firemen's Association and the Crowley Fire Department upon their 100th anniversary and to recognize the members for their outstanding service to the community.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 119—
BY REPRESENTATIVES TRAVIS, SCHNEIDER, BARTON, FARVE, FLAVIN, FRITH, MICHOT, MORRELL, MURRAY, PINAC, POWELL, WESTON, AND WINSTON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend Ms. Nadia L. Goodman, director of policy, planning, and technology programs for the Department of Economic Development, for her dedicated service and contributions to the state upon the occasion of her retirement from Louisiana state government service.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 120—
BY REPRESENTATIVES KENNARD, BAUDOIN, BRUNEAU, CRANE, DAMICO, DEVILLE, DIEZ, DIMOS, DURAND, FONTENOT, FRITH, FRUGE, GLOVER, HEATON, HILL, HOLDEN, HOPKINS, HUNTER, ILES, JENKINS, JETSON, LANCASTER, LEBLANC, LONG, MCDONALD, MCMAINS, MICHOT, MURRAY, PERKINS, PINAC, POWELL, QUEZAIRE, SALTER, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SHAW, JACK SMITH, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON, THORNHILL, TOOMY, TRICIE, VITTER, WALSWORTH, WARNER, WESTON, WIGGINS, WINDHORST, AND WRIGHT AND SENATORS BAGNERIS, BAOIE, BARHAM, BEAN, BRANCH, CAIN, CAMPBELL, CASANOVA, COX, CRAVINS, DARDEENNE, DEAN, DYESS, ELLINGTON, EWING, C. FIELDS, W. FIELDS, GREENE, HAINKEL, HEITMEIER, HINES, HOLLIS, IRONS, JOHNSON, JONES, JORDAN, LAMBERT, LANDRY, LENTINI, MALONE, ROBICHAUX, ROMERO, SCHEIDER, SHORT, SIRACUSA, SMITH, TARVER, THEUNISSEN, AND ULLO
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend Eddie Furniss, LSU's record-setting first baseman, for his outstanding career as a member of Louisiana State University's baseball "Team of the 90's" and for the manner in which he represents LSU and the state of Louisiana.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 123—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILKERSON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To memorialize the United States Congress and the United States Postal Service to examine other options besides relocating the downtown post office in Arcadia, Louisiana.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 124—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUCE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To memorialize the United States Congress to ratify the Southern Dairy Compact adopted by Louisiana's Department of Agriculture and Forestry and other dairy-producing states.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 125—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate Ms. Deborah Mims upon her promotion to the rank of captain in the Shreveport Fire Department, the first female to have ever achieved that rank in the Shreveport Fire Department.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 126—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend Winnie VANCE-Antoine upon her retirement from an exemplary career in the field of education and to show an appreciation for her dedication and devotion to the children of Caddo Parish.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD RAY KENNARD
Chairman

The above House Concurrent Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken to the Senate by the Clerk of the House and were signed by the President of the Senate and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

June 9, 1998

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

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

The following House Bills have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE BILL NO. 3—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO
AN ACT
To enact the Omnibus Bond Authorization Act of 1998, relative to the implementation of a five-year capital improvement program; to provide for the repeal of certain prior bond authorizations; to provide for new bond authorizations; to provide for authorization and sale of such bonds by the State Bond Commission; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 56—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:287.11(A), relative to corporation income tax; to provide that any entity taxed as a corporation for federal income tax purposes will also be taxed as a corporation for state income tax purposes; to provide for the applicability of such provision; and to provide for related matters.
HOUSE BILL NO. 65—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC
AN ACT
To provide for the establishment and reestablishment of agency ancillary funds, to be specifically known as internal service funds, auxiliary funds, or enterprise funds for certain state institutions, officials, and agencies; to provide for appropriation of funds; and to regulate the administration of said funds.

HOUSE BILL NO. 97—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO AND SENATOR SCHEDLER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:301(16)(d), relative to the sales and use tax; to define tangible personal property to exclude certain work products which are created in the normal course of business by any person licensed or regulated by the provisions of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950; to provide for certain exceptions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 129—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRIEU
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:6012, relative to corporate taxation; to provide for a tax credit for corporations to be taken against the corporation income and franchise taxes for the donation of certain property to a public school; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 286—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DIEZ AND IL ES AND SENATORS L ANDRY, SHORT, ROMERO, SMITH, AND THEUNISSEN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:820.2(B) and (D) and 820.4, relative to the Transportation Infrastructure Model for Economic Development program; to increase expenditure amounts of certain projects; to provide for an extension of the four cents per gallon tax on gasoline, motor fuels, and special fuels; to provide for the creation of a priority listing of projects; to provide for the submission of progress reports; to provide for reports by the Revenue Estimating Conference and the Transportation Estimating Conference; to provide relative to the issuance of bonds; and to provide for related matters.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD RAY KENNARD
Chairman

The above House Bills contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken to the Senate by the Clerk and were signed by the President of the Senate and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Governor for executive approval.

Speaker Pro Tempore Bruneau in the Chair

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Jetson, the rules were suspended to limit the author or proponent handling the legislative instrument to ten minutes for opening remarks and all subsequent speakers on the instrument to five minutes.

Message from the Senate

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
June 9, 1998

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 2: Senators Barham, Hainkel, and Ewing.

Respectfully submitted,
MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
June 9, 1998

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 282: Senators Dardenne, Bagnier, and Hainkel.

Respectfully submitted,
MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
June 9, 1998

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 299: Senators Barham, Hainkel, and Ewing.

Respectfully submitted,
MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

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. 71—
BY REPRESENTATIVES WINDHORST, FRITH, FRUGE, HOLDEN, PERKINS, PIERRE, PINAC, QUEZAIRE, SCALISE, TRICHE, AND WALSWORTH
A RESOLUTION
To commend the NCAA Umpires, Baton Rouge City Police, and Acadian Ambulance for distinguished service in the 1998 in-house softball game known as the “Game of the Century” featuring certain House members versus certain House staff.

Read by title.
Rep. Windhorst sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Windhorst to Original House Resolution No. 71 by Representative Windhorst

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**
On page 2, line 19, after "team" and before "." insert ", by a score of REPS -15, staff, only 5"

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

On motion of Rep. Windhorst, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

**Acting Speaker Dimos in the Chair**

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 72—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON
A RESOLUTION
To express condolences to the family of James L. Meyer and to reflect on his lifetime of contributions and his relentless dedication to his country, his profession, and his community.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 73—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD
A RESOLUTION
To express the condolences and heartfelt sorrow of the House of Representatives to the family of Horace Dyer, Jr.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 74—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD
A RESOLUTION
To commend the Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. on its fifty-sixth anniversary and to commend its officers for their outstanding service to their communities.

Read by title.

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

**Suspension of the Rules**
On motion of Rep. Strain, House Rule 14.21 was suspended to allow the Committee on Agriculture to report.

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

Report of the Committee on Agriculture
June 9, 1998

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

Pursuant to a meeting held on June 9, 1998, I am directed by your Committee on Agriculture to submit the following report:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 59, by Cain
Reported with amendments. (9-0)

R. H. STRAIN
Chairman

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 60—**
BY SENATOR SMITH
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To memorialize the Congress of the United States to develop a national energy policy to address the needs of federal, state, and local executive and legislative branch agencies for data and information necessary for them to cope with and plan for the declining production of oil and gas and the increasing pressures of foreign competition.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 61—**
BY SENATOR ROBICHAUX AND REPRESENTATIVE ROUSSELLE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To request the Department of Transportation and Development, with assistance from the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to study the factors contributing to the dangerous circumstances of the intersection of Louisiana Highway 654 and Louisiana Highway 308, and to develop solutions to address the problem.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 62—**
BY SENATOR JONES
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Louisiana State University Medical Center to confer with community and civic organizations to improve prostate and cervical cancer screening rates among African Americans.

Read by title.

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

**Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading to be Referred**
The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading to be referred were taken up, read, and referred to committees, as follows:

**SENATE BILL NO. 30—**
BY SENATORS SCHEDLER AND LANDRY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:601(A) and (D), 602(A), and 603, relative to corporate franchise tax; to gradually reduce the
amount of borrowed capital included in the taxable base; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

SENATE BILL NO. 90—
BY SENATORS SCHEDLER AND HOLLIS
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:297(L), relative to income tax credits; to authorize a credit for a portion of long term care insurance premiums paid by Louisiana citizens; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House and House Concurrent Resolutions Reported by Committees

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions reported by committees were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 109—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MORRELL
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To authorize the House Committee on Commerce and the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection to meet and to function as a joint committee to study the rules and regulations promulgated by the Louisiana State Racing Commission and to report the findings of the joint committee to the legislature prior to the convening of the 1999 Regular Session.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

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

On motion of Rep. Travis, the rules were suspended in order to consider the adoption of the resolution.

Rep. Travis moved the adoption of the resolution.

The resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions Reported by Committees

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions reported by committees were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35—
BY SENATORS HOLLIS, HINES, SCHEDLER, AND REPRESENTATIVE R. ALEXANDER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request Department of Health and Hospitals to clarify rules and regulations for licensing satellite facilities of hospitals and to authorize the issuance of retroactive licenses under certain circumstances.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Engrossed Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 35 by Senator Hollis

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, line 3, delete "of opening of hospitals to the date they were opened" and insert "of hospitals, including those satellites no longer in operation, to the date the satellite facility services were first offered by the hospital."

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, line 10, after "made" delete the period "." and insert "prior to application."

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, delete lines 19 through 24 and insert the following:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that facilities no longer in operation must satisfy all of the foregoing listed criteria except (2), provided the owner of the hospital at the time services were rendered in the satellite facility files an assurance with the Department of Health and Hospitals that safety standards appropriate to the services provided were satisfied."

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 2, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the department is hereby authorized, for a period of six (6) months after the date of adoption of this Resolution, to accept applications and, within a reasonable time thereafter, to issue licenses to satellite facilities of a licensed hospital retroactive to the date the services were first offered by the hospital or to permit a licensed hospital to retroactively amend its license to include its satellite facilities from the date the services were first offered by the hospital."

On motion of Rep. Rodney Alexander, the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Rep. Rodney Alexander, the resolution, as amended, was ordered passed to its third reading.

On motion of Rep. Rodney Alexander, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution, as amended, was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57—
BY SENATOR HOLLIS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and the House Committee on Commerce to function as a joint committee to study the feasibility of establishing a state rural retirement center policy.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the resolution was ordered passed to its third reading.

Speaker Downer in the Chair
Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Wiggins, the rules were suspended in order to take up House Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments at this time.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
Returned from the Senate with Amendments

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions returned from the Senate with amendments were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 16—
BY REPRESENTATIVES WIGGINS, TOOMY, AND WRIGHT AND SENATOR DYESS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(6) and R.S. 33:4574.1(A)(1)(b) and to enact R.S. 47:301(8)(e) and (14)(b)(iv), relative to the sales and use taxes and hotel occupancy taxes of all taxing authorities in the state; to exclude certain property owned by nonprofit religious organizations from the definition of “hotel” and “places of amusement”; to define person to exclude certain purchases by the Society of the Little Sisters of the Poor from the tax; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to Reengrossed House Bill No. 16 by Representative Wiggins, et al.

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, at the end of line 11, insert:

"However, "transient guest" for purposes of this Paragraph shall not include guests who participate in organized religious activities which take place at such camp or retreat facilities. It is the intention of the legislature to tax the furnishing of rooms to those who merely purchase lodging at such facilities."

Rep. Wiggins moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

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The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 33—
BY REPRESENTATIVES MONTGOMERY, BAYLOR, FAUCHEUX, AND GLOVER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:3204(C), relative to tax exemption contracts; to authorize the Board of Commerce and Industry to enter into additional tax exemption contracts with certain entities; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to Engrossed House Bill No. 33 by Representative Montgomery, et al.

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, at the end of line 11, insert:

"However, “transient guest” for purposes of this Paragraph shall not include guests who participate in organized religious activities which take place at such camp or retreat facilities. It is the intention of the legislature to tax the furnishing of rooms to those who merely purchase lodging at such facilities."

On page 1, line 17, after "which" insert "employs one hundred seventy-five or more Louisiana residents and which"
AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, line 4, after "location of the" delete "company"

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senator Cain to Engrossed House Bill No. 33 by Representative Montgomery, et al.

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, at the beginning of line 12, after "C." insert "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, at the beginning of line 17, insert "(2)(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:
(b) For purposes of this Paragraph, "headquarters" shall be defined as it is defined in other definitions contained in law. In addition, it shall be a requirement to enter the new contract provided in this Paragraph that:

(i) After the move of such headquarters, ninety percent of the establishment's employees shall reside in Louisiana.

(ii) Ninety percent of the company's officers and managers shall have their primary office in Louisiana."

Rep. Montgomery moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be rejected.

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker  
Alario  
Alexander, A. — 93rd  
Alexander, R.—13th  
Ansardi  
Barton  
Baudoin  
Baylor  
Bowler  
Bruce  
Bruneau  
Carter  
Chaisson  
Clarkson  
Copelin  
Crane  
Curtis  
Damico  
Daniel  
Deville  
DeWitt  
Diez  
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Donelon  
Dupre  
Durand  
Farve  
Faucheux  
Flavin  
Fontenot  
Frith  
Fruge  
Gautreaux  
Green  

Total—102  
NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Glover  
Hopkins  
Total—2

The amendments proposed by the Senate were rejected.

Conference committee appointment pending.

HOUSE BILL NO. 62—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:633(7)(b) and (c)(i), relative to the severance tax; to authorize the Department of Revenue to certify incapable and stripper oil wells; to provide for the value used to determine the exemption for certified stripper well production; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion
On motion of Rep. Alario, the bill, as amended, was returned to the calendar subject to call.

HOUSE BILL NO. 117—
BY REPRESENTATIVES LEBLANC AND DOWNER AND SENATOR BAGNERIS
AN ACT
To appropriate funds to defray the expenses of the Louisiana Judiciary, including the Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, District Courts, Criminal District Court of Orleans Parish, and other courts; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Reengrossed House Bill No. 117 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, delete lines 7 and 8 and insert:
"Section 1.A. The sum of Seventy-two Million Six Hundred Four Thousand Nine Hundred Eleven and No/100 ($72,604,911.00) Dollars or so"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 6, delete lines 28 and 29 and insert:

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Total—102  
NAYS

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ABSENT

Glover  
Hopkins  
Total—2
"Assistance Program $25,000
03 Court reporters for the Orleans Parish
Juvenile Court $50,000
TOTAL $210,928"

Rep. LeBlanc moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker Hammett Pratt
Alario Heaton Quezaire
Alexander, A.—93rd Hebert Riddle
Alexander, R.—13th Hill Rousselle
Ansardi Holden Salter
Baudoin Hopkins Scalise
Baylor Hudson Schneider
Bowler Hunter Schwegmann
Bruce Iles Shaw
Bruneau Jenkins Smith, J.D.—50th
Carter Jetson Smith, J.R.—30th
Chaisson Johns Stelly
Clarkson Kennard Strain
Copelin Kenney Theriot
Crane Lancaster Thomas
Curts Landrieu Thompson
Damico LeBlanc Thornhill
Daniel Long Toomy
Deville Marionneaux Travis
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Diez McCain Vitter
Dimos McCallum Waddell
Donelon McDonald Walsworth
Dupre McMains Warner
Durand Michot Welch
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Guillory Powell

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NAYS

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ABSENT

Barton Morrish
Glover Romero

Total—4

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 62—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:633(7)(b) and (c)(i), relative to the severance tax; to authorize the Department of Revenue to certify incapable and stripper oil wells; to provide for the value used to determine the exemption for certified stripper well production; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Romero to Engrossed House Bill No. 62 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, between "(c)(i)" and the comma "," insert "and 648.21(A) and (B)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, between "production;" and "to" insert "to provide for severance tax rates for certain nonhazardous oilfield waste; to provide for definitions;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 8, between "(c)(i)" and "are" insert "and 648.21(A) and (B)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

"§648.21. Severance tax; reclaimed oil; definition

A. The tax rate applicable to reclaimed oil which is reclaimed by class one salvage crude reclamation facilities which are permitted by the office of conservation and from Type A or B commercial oilfield waste disposal facilities which are permitted by the office of conservation, shall be three and one-eight percent (3 1/8%) of value received by the first purchase.

B. "Reclaimed oil" as it is used in this Part shall mean the reclamation of waste oil or slop crude oil and condensate from open pits, tanks, or other collectors at the lease production site, and oil and condensate reclaimed from permitted Type A or B commercial oilfield waste disposal facilities. Provided however, that reclaimed oil shall not include any oil upon which any severance tax has previously been paid.

* * *"

Rep. Alario moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be rejected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker Hammett Pratt
Alario Heaton Quezaire
Alexander, A.—93rd Hebert Riddle
Alexander, R.—13th Hill Romero
Ansardi Holden Rousselle
The amendments proposed by the Senate were rejected.

Conference committee appointment pending.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 180—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES THOMAS AND STRAIN

AN ACT

To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana for the Fiscal Year 1998-1999 to be used to pay certain legal expenses incurred by Benjamin B. Rayburn in his successful defense of criminal charges brought against him, which charges arose from actions taken by him in the discharge of his duties and within the scope of his membership in the Louisiana Senate; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Reengrossed House Bill No. 180 by Representative Thomas

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 1, line 18, delete the "," and insert "; provided that such legal expenses shall be certified by the attorney general."

Rep. Thomas moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

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The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 233—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL AND SENATOR BARHAM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:321(A) and to enact R.S. 47:301(14)(i)(iii)(gg) and (16)(d), relative to state sales and use tax: to provide for the taxation of prepaid telephone calling cards and prepaid authorization numbers; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.
SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Bagneris to Reengrossed House Bill No. 233 by Representative Daniel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 3, following “in” and before the period “.”, change “R.S. 47:301(16)(d)” to “Subparagraph (16)(d) of this Section”

Rep. Daniel moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker  Green  Quezaire
Alario  Guilory  Riddle
Alexander, A.—93rd  Hammett  Romero
Alexander, R.—13th  Heaton  Rouselle
Ansardi  Hebert  Salter
Barton  Hill  Scalise
Baudoin  Holden  Schneider
Baylor  Hopkins  Schwegmann
Bruce  Hudson  Shaw
Carter  Hunter  Smith, J.D.—50th
Chaisson  Iles  Smith, J.R.—30th
Clarkson  Johns  Stelly
Copelin  Kennard  Strain
Curtis  Kenney  Theriot
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Durand  Mitchell  Weston
Farve  Morrell  Wiggins
Faucheux  Morish  Wilkerson
Flavin  Murray  Willard
Fontenot  Odinet  Winston
Frith  Pierre  Wright
Fruge  Powell
Gautreaux  Pratt
Total—88

NAYS

Bowler  McCain  Waddell
Bruneau  Perkins  Windhorst
Crane  Pinac
Jenkins  Travis
Total—10

ABSENT

Glover  Marionneaux
Jetson  Montgomery
Lancaster  Triche
Total—6

The amendments proposed by the Senate, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 250—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DIEZ

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:820.4 and 820.5(A), (B)(introductory paragraph), (1), and (2), to enact R.S. 47:820.5.2, and to repeal R.S. 47:820.5(B)(4), relative to tolls on certain bridges; to extend the collection of tolls on certain bridges; to provide for use of toll proceeds; to create the Crescent City Connection Oversight Authority; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to Re-engrossed House Bill No. 250 by Representative Diez

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2. After "820.5", delete the remainder of the line

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete line 3 in its entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, at the beginning of line 4, delete "47:820.5(B)(4)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the beginning of line 6, delete "to create the Crescent City Connection Oversight Authority;"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, at the beginning of line 9, after "820.5" delete the remainder of the line

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, at the beginning of line 10, delete "(1) and (2)" and after "reenacted" delete the remainder of the line

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, at the beginning of line 11, delete "enacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 16, after "B." add "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 22, after "rate of" change "twenty-five" to "ten" and after "users" add "and for coupons purchased through toll coupon books"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 23, after "users." add "(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, at the beginning of line 4, add "C."
AMENDMENT NO. 12
On page 4, line 14, after "R.S. 47:820.5" change "(B)(2)" to "(C)(3) which have been let to construction prior to May 13, 1998"

AMENDMENT NO. 13
On page 4, line 15, after "for" change "the" to "such" and after "projects" delete "set forth in R.S. 47:820.5(B)(2),"

AMENDMENT NO. 14
On page 4, line 26, after the period "," add "(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 15
On page 5, between lines 8 and 9, add the following:

"(3) After the indebtedness and the maintenance and operating expenses of the bridges and ferries have been paid each fiscal year as provided in Subsections (C)(1) and (2) of this Section, the remainder of the toll proceeds shall be used exclusively for the following:

AMENDMENT NO. 16
On page 5, at the beginning of line 9, delete "(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 17
On page 5, line 13, after "approaches" delete the remainder of the line and add in lieu thereof a period "," and delete lines 14 through 26 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 18
On page 6, delete lines 1 through 19 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 19
On page 6, at the beginning of line 20, change "(i) Opening" to "(b) For opening"

AMENDMENT NO. 20
On page 6, at the beginning of line 23, change "(ii) Providing" to "(c) For providing"

AMENDMENT NO. 21
On page 6, at the beginning of line 25, change "(iii) Installing" to "(d) For installing"

AMENDMENT NO. 22
On page 7, at the beginning of line 1, change "(iv) Repainting" to "(e) For repainting"

AMENDMENT NO. 23
On page 7, between lines 2 and 3, add the following:

"(f) For funding the following projects which have been let for construction prior to May 13, 1998 and which shall be prioritized giving preference to projects which directly relate to the main structure of the bridge or which work to expedite the flow of traffic entering or exiting the bridge. Such projects shall include:

(j) Project No. 283-08-0125 - Reversible Configuration on Transit Lanes HOV-2.

(ii) Project No. 283-08-0127 - Installation of Toll Tag System for Transit Lanes HOV-2.

(iii) Project No. 283-09-0101 - Beautification and Joint Land Use - Peters Road to Orleans Parish line.

(iv) Project No. 283-09-0102 - Beautification and Joint Land Use - Destrehan Avenue to Westwood Drive.

(v) Project No. 283-09-0107 - Roadway Improvements to Westbank Expressway - U.S. 90 to Westwood Drive.

(vi) Project No. 283-08-0113 - Bridge painting No.1, New Orleans Deck.

(vii) Completion of bridge construction projects authorized by Act 36 of 1994 which have been let to construction prior to May 13, 1998

(4) (d) The provisions of Act 402 of 1976, and all amendments thereto, are hereby legally recognized and the provisions thereof continued in full force and effect, including but not limited to the provisions therein for the separate financing of the bridge(s) project hereby over the Mississippi River at New Orleans. It is further provided that the self-generated toll revenue from the bridge(s) project shall not be used for any other project defined in or part of the Transportation Infrastructure Model Development Account set forth in R.S. 47:820.2, nor shall any toll revenues be a part of the Transportation Trust Fund.

(5) It is further provided that any excess toll revenue over and above the amounts hereinabove set forth to be used for any administrative, maintenance, and operational expenses and specific capital outlay projects, may be used shall be used exclusively for the purposes provided for in this Section, but nothing in this Section shall be construed to prohibit its use to maximize, for the areas served by the bridge(s) project, the state’s ability to obtain federal matching funds for transportation purposes pursuant to the project by appropriation or grant from the United States Department of Transportation or its successor, including but not limited to obtaining federal matching funds with the use of toll-generated monies, authorized by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, Public Law 102-240, and amendments thereto, upon appropriate authorization by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the Louisiana Legislature, in accordance with laws relative to such joint projects financed with state and federal funds, and any other appropriate funds that may be available.

(6) No toll revenue derived as authorized by this Subsection shall be used to fund any other projects in the state of Louisiana, particularly those contained in Title 47, Part IV, Section 820.1 through 820.5, the Transportation Infrastructure Model for Economic Development Account. Such toll revenues shall be used solely as provided in this Subsection and pursuant to the provisions of Act 402 of 1976 as amended, as to financing and construction of the bridge(s) project and laws related thereto and the provisions of the bond indentures issued under the authority of said Act in connection with said project, which provisions are hereby retained.

D. Effective October 1, 1994, the tolls on ferries operated by the state shall not exceed fifty cents per vehicle for discounted toll script and one dollar per vehicle for cash."
On page 7, delete lines 4 through 25 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 8, delete lines 1 through 7 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 8, delete line 13 in its entirety and insert:

"Section 3. Beginning January 1, 2000 and every two years thereafter until the expiration of the tolls on the Greater Mississippi River bridges, the Department of Transportation and Development shall reevaluate the funding required for the bond indebtedness, the maintenance and operation of the Greater Mississippi River bridges, and the projects approved for completion under the provisions of R.S. 47:820.5(C)(3) and shall determine if further reduction in the amount of the toll is warranted. Not later than sixty days after such determination is made, the tolls shall be adjusted to the appropriate lower rate."

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Landry to Re-reengrossed House Bill No. 250 by Representative Diez

AMENDMENT NO. 1
Delete all Senate Committee Amendments proposed by the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and adopted by the Senate on June 3, 1998.

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, line 22, after "rate of" change "twenty-five" to "twenty" and after "users" add "and for coupons purchased through toll coupon books"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 6, at the end of line 4, change "General" to "Algiers area"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 6, at beginning of line 5, delete "DeGaulle entrance ramp"

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 6, line 24, after "the" change "General DeGaulle entrance ramp" to Algiers area

AMENDMENT NO. 6
On page 7, line 20, after "1,″ add "5,″

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Bagneris to Re-reengrossed House Bill No. 250 by Representative Diez

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 6, line 26, change "820.5.1(C)(1) and (3)″ to "820.5.1(C)(3)″

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Lambert to Re-reengrossed House Bill No. 250 by Representative Diez

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, line 5, change "December 31, 2012″ to "June 30, 2004″

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, at the end of line 7, insert "After the bonds expire, the tolls shall be collected at the following rates: twelve and one-half cents per axle for discounted toll script users and twenty-five cents per axle for cash users."

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, line 8, after "bonds," delete the remainder of the line and insert "that portion of the revenue"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 2, line 9, between "tolls" and "shall" insert "which is necessary for the operation and maintenance of the bridge" and between "dedicated to" and "operation" change "the" to "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 2, line 10, after "maintenance" delete the remainder of the line and insert "The remaining portion of the"

AMENDMENT NO. 6
On page 2, at the end of line 11, insert "initiation of the"

AMENDMENT NO. 7
On page 2, line 12, after "to be" delete the remainder of the line and insert "constructed in the following order:"

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Bajoie to Re-reengrossed House Bill No. 250 by Representative Diez

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 7, line 18, change "ten" to "thirteen"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 7, line 20, after "1," insert "5, 6,″

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 7, line 21, after "87," insert "93,"

Rep. Diez moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.
As a substitute motion, Rep. Copelin moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be rejected.


The vote recurred on the substitute motion.

ROLL CALL

The vote was called with the following result:

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Alexander, A.—93rd 
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Alexander, R.—13th 
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Barton 
Baudoin 
Bowler 
Bruce 
Bruneau 
Carter 
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Farve 
Glover 
Guillory 
Green 
Guillory 
Total—31

NAYS

Mr. Speaker 
Mr. Speaker 
Alario 
Alexander, A.—93rd 
Baylor 
Bruce 
Carter 
Clarkson 
Copelin 
Curtis 
Farve 
Glover 
Green 
Guillory 
Total—75

The amendments proposed by the Senate, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 270—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC  
AN ACT  
To provide with respect to the Revenue Sharing Fund and the allocation and distribution thereof for Fiscal Year 1998-1999; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Landry to Reengrossed House Bill No. 270 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 19, line 4, delete the figure "5.66%" and insert the figure "6.24%"

Rep. LeBlanc moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker Hammett Powell
Alario Heaton Pratt
Alexander, A.—93rd Hebert Quezaire
Alexander, R.—13th Hill Riddle
Ansardi Holden Romero
Baudoin Hopkins Rouselle
Baylor Hudson Salter
Bowler Hunter Scalise
Bruce Iles Schneider
Bruneau Jenkins Schwegmann
Carter Jetson Shaw
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Diez McCain Travis
Dimos McCallum Triche
Donelon McDowell Vitter
Dupre McMains Waddell
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Farve Mitchell Warner
Faucheux Montgomery Welch
Flavin Morrell Weston
Fontenot Morish Wiggins
Frith Murray Wilkerson
Fruge Odinet Willard
Gautreaux Perkins Windhorst
Green Pierre Winston
Guillory Pinac Wright
Total—102

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Barton Glover
Total—2

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 289—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 33:4574.11, relative to the Southwest Louisiana Convention and Visitors Bureau; to authorize the bureau to levy and collect a tax on certain complimentary hotel rooms within its jurisdiction; to provide relative to such tax; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to Reengrossed House Bill No. 289 by Representative Johns

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 22, change "fifteen" to "twenty-five"

Rep. Johns moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker Hammett Pratt
Alario Heaton Quezaire
Alexander, A.—93rd Hebert Riddle
Ansardi Hill Romero
Baudoin Holden Rouselle
Baylor Hopkins Salter
Bruneau Hunter Scalise
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Frith Murray Willard
Fruge Odinet Windhorst
Gautreaux Perkins Wright
Green Pierre
Guillory Pinac
Total—95

NAYS

Jenkins Vitter
Perkins Windhorst
Total—4

ABSENT

Alexander, R.—13th Deville Kennard
Barton Glover
Total—5

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.
HOUSE BILL NO. 292—
BY REPRESENTATIVES WARNER AND ODIRNET
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 33:2738.81, relative to St. Bernard Parish; to authorize
the governing authority of said parish, subject to voter approval,
the tax; to provide for allowable uses of the avails of such tax, including funding a portion into
bonds; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by
the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senator Heitmeier to Reengrossed House
Bill No. 292 by Representative Warner

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, line 19, after "conducted" delete the remainder of the line
and insert "on the first Saturday in October or the first Tuesday after
the first Monday in November of even-numbered years pursuant to
R.S. 18:402(F)(2)."

Rep. Warner moved that the amendments proposed by the
Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker Guillery Pratt
Alario Hammett Quezaire
Alexander, A.—93rd Heaton Riddle
Alexander, R.—13th Hebert Romero
Ansardi Hill Rouselle
Barton Holden Salt
Baudoin Hopkins Scalise
Baylor Hudson Schneider
Bowler Hunter Schwegmann
Bruce Iles Shaw
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Fontenot Murray Willard
Frith Odom Windhorst
Fruge Pierre Winston
Gautreau Pinac Wright
Green Powell
Total—101

NAYS

Jenkins
Total—1

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by
the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 319 (Substitute for House Bill No. 252 by
Representative Copelin)—
BY REPRESENTATIVE COPELIN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1068(E)(2)(d) and R.S.
51:1927(C)(introductory paragraph) and (2) through (5),
1928(B), and 1931 and to enact R.S. 51:1924(D), 1927.1,
1928(C), and 1935, relative to the Louisiana capital companies
income tax credit program; to provide for income tax credit or premium
tax reductions; to provide for decertification; to provide for
program termination; to provide for investment in an
approved fund; to provide for an annual audit and rate of return;
to provide relative to appreciation excess; and to provide for a study
of the capital companies tax credit program; and to provide for
related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by
the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senator Hainkel to Engrossed House Bill
No. 319 by Representative Copelin

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, lines 2 and 13, delete "R.S. 22:1068(E)(2)(d)" and insert
"R.S. 22:1068(E)(1)(a) and (2)(d)" and on line 13, change "is" to
"are" and "reacted" to "reenacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 18, delete "E." insert the following:
"E.(1)(a) Recognizing that it is also in the public interest to
ensure sufficient availability of venture capital for purposes of
innovation, development and job creation, the premium tax
reduction for insurers investing in certified capital companies as defined in R.S. 51:1921 et seq., shall be
computed as one hundred twenty
percent of the amount of the
investment at the time the investment is made.  The investment shall
be in the form of cash and/or debt instruments which are obligations
of the investing insurance company to the certified capital company
or the industrial or economic development corporation.  Such debt
instruments shall be converted into cash at a rate of not less than ten
percent per year from the date of the investment."

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, line 18, delete "E." insert the following:
"E.(1)(a) Recognizing that it is also in the public interest to
ensure sufficient availability of venture capital for purposes of
technological development and job creation, the premium tax
reduction for insurers investing in certified capital companies as defined in R.S. 51:1921 et seq., shall be
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percent of the amount of the
investment at the time the investment is made.  The investment shall
be in the form of cash and/or debt instruments which are obligations
of the investing insurance company to the certified capital company
or the industrial or economic development corporation.  Such debt
instruments shall be converted into cash at a rate of not less than ten
percent per year from the date of the investment."

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 2, line 14, change "fifteen" to "eight"
"The study shall involve the participation of the Legislative Fiscal Office for the purpose of evaluating the reasonableness of its assumptions, calculations, and conclusions."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 11, line 9, after "December 31, 1999" and before the period "." insert the following:

"and shall also be submitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget"

Rep. Copelin moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be rejected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker  Heaton  Quezaire
Alario  Hebert  Riddle
Alexander, A.—93rd  Hill  Romero
Alexander, R.—13th  Holden  Rousselle
Ansardi  Hopkins  Salter
Barton  Hudson  Scalise
Baudoin  Hunter  Schneider
Baylor  Iles  Schwegmann
Bowler  Jenkins  Shaw
Bruce  Jetson  Smith, J.D.—50th
Bruneau  Johns  Smith, J.R.—30th
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Dimos  McDonald  Waddell
Donelon  McMains  Walsworth
Dupre  Michot  Warner
Durand  Montgomery  Welch
Farve  Morrell  Winston
Faucheux  Morrise  Wiggins
Flavin  Murray  Wilkerson
Frith  O'dinet  Willard
Fruge  Perkins  Windhorst
Gautreaux  Pierre  Winston
Green  Pinac  Wright
Guillory  Powell  Wyatt
Hammett  Pratt  
Total—100

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Diez  Glover  
Fontenot  Mitchell  
Total—4

The amendments proposed by the Senate were rejected. Conference committee appointment pending.

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on third reading and final passage were taken up and acted upon as follows:

Regular Calendar

SENATE BILL NO. 76—
BY SENATOR BARHAM

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:6012, relative to employer tax credits; to establish an employer tax credit for income taxes and corporation franchise taxes for the donation of materials, equipment, advisors, or instructors to certain entities; to provide for the amount of the tax credit; to establish the taxable period for the tax credit; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide for an effective date for donations; to provide a termination date for the tax credit; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. McDonald sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative McDonald to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 76 by Senator Barham

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 16, delete "advisors,"

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

Rep. Hunter sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Hunter to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 76 by Senator Barham

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, at the beginning of line 6, delete "materials, equipment, advisors, or instructors" and insert in lieu thereof "materials or equipment"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 14, after "year." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 16 through 18 in their entirety

On motion of Rep. Hunter, Amendment No. 1 was withdrawn.

On motion of Rep. Hunter, Amendment No. 2 was adopted.

Rep. Faucheux sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Faucheux to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 76 by Senator Barham

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, at the beginning of line 6, delete "materials, equipment, advisors, or instructors" and insert in lieu thereof "materials or equipment"
AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 2, after "schools," and before "or" insert "apprenticeship program registered with the Louisiana Department of Labor,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 7, after "schools," insert "apprenticeship program registered with the Louisiana Department of Labor,"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 26, after "schools," and before "and" insert "apprenticeship program registered with the Louisiana Department of Labor,"

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

Rep. McDonald moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

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The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

Rep. McDonald moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 78—
BY SENATOR ROBICHAUX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1561.1, relative to personal liability for taxes; to provide for the personal liability of certain members of limited liability companies or limited partnerships; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Daniel moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

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The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.
Rep. Daniel moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 82—
BY SENATOR CAMPBELL

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:3202(C) and 4304(C), relative to tax exemptions; to provide a right of first refusal to Louisiana businesses as a condition for business and manufacturing establishments; to receive certain tax exemptions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Montgomery moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS
Mr. Speaker Green Pinac
Alario Hammett Quezaire
Alexander, A.—93rd Heaton Riddle
Alexander, R.—13th Hebert Romero
Ansardi Hill Rousselle
Baudoin Holden Salter
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Durand Morrell Wilkerson
Farve Murray Willard
Faucheux Odinet Wright
Frisch Pierre
Total—65

NAYS
Barton Kennard Schwegmann
Bowler Lancaster Stelly
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Clarkson McCain Toomy
Crane Mains Vitter
Daniel Michot Walsworth
Donelon Morrish Welch
Flavin Perkins Wiggins
Fontenot Powell Windhorst
Fruge Pratt Winston
Jenkins Scalise
Total—32

ABSENT
Gautreaux Hudson Smith, J.R.—30th
Glover Jetson
Guillory Johns
Total—7

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

Rep. Montgomery moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Suspension of the Rules
On motion of Rep. Ansardi, and under a suspension of the rules, the above roll call was corrected to reflect him as voting yea.

SENATE BILL NO. 103—
BY SENATOR LANDRY

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:820.4, relative to funding; to provide for the duration of the TIMED program; to provide relative to the refunding of bonds issued for such program; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

Conference Committee Appointment
The Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement to House Bill No. 33: Reps. Montgomery, Alario, and Hopkins.

Conference Committee Appointment
The Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement to House Bill No. 62: Reps. Alario, Daniel, and DeWitt.

Conference Committee Appointment
The Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement to House Bill No. 319: Reps. Copelin, Alario, and Pierre.

SENATE BILL NO. 109—
BY SENATOR DYESS

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305.37, relative to sales tax of political subdivisions; to authorize the exemption of certain items used for farm purposes; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Wiggins moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS
Mr. Speaker Guillory Quezaire
Alario Hammett Riddle
Alexander, A.—93rd Heaton Romero
Alexander, R.—13th Hebert Rousselle
Ansardi Hill Salter
Baudoin Holden Scalise
SENATE BILL NO. 112—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2771(K), relative to the Louisiana Capital Investment Tax Credit; to eliminate the termination date for the credit; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Thornhill sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Thornhill to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 112 by Senator Schedler

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 2, change "R.S. 51:2771(K)" to "R.S. 51:2461(B) and 2771(K)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 2, after "relative to" delete the remainder of the line and insert the following:

"certain tax credits: to extend the termination date for the Louisiana Capital Investment Tax Credit; to extend the date beyond which no new applications will be approved relative to the Louisiana Quality Jobs Program Act; to require transfer of certain monies in the Louisiana Economic Development Fund to the state general fund;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, delete line 3 in its entirety.

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 1, line 6, change "R.S. 51:2771(K) is" to "R.S. 51:2461(B) and 2771(K) are"

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 1, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

"§2461.  Report of effect of Louisiana Quality Jobs Program Act; application deadline

* * *

B. On and after January 1, 1999, 2001, no new applications to receive incentive tax credits under this Chapter shall be approved by the Department of Economic Development. However, an establishment which, prior to January 1, 1999, 2001, has been approved by the department to receive incentive tax credits under the program shall continue to receive tax credits pursuant to the terms of its agreement with the state of Louisiana as long as the establishment retains its eligibility.

* * *"

AMENDMENT NO. 6
On page 1, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

"Section 2. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, including R.S. 51:2315, for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 1998, the state treasurer shall transfer seven hundred eighty thousand dollars from the Louisiana Economic Development Fund to the state general fund for purposes of funding an economic development grant in Red River Parish. If the monies are not expended by June 30, 1999, the state treasurer shall transfer the monies and all interest earned thereon, after compliance with the Constitution of Louisiana, to the Louisiana Economic Development Fund."

AMENDMENT NO. 7
On page 1, line 13, change "Section 2." to "Section 3."

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

Rep. Thornhill moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:
YEAS
Mr. Speaker  Guillory  Powell
Alario  Hammett  Pratt
Alexander, A.—93rd  Heaton  Quezaire
Alexander, R.—13th  Hebert  Riddle
Ansardi  Hill  Romero
Barton  Holden  Rousselle
Baudoin  Hopkins  Salter
Baylon  Hudson  Scalise
Bowler  Hunter  Schneider
Bruce  Iles  Schwegmann
Bruneau  Jenkins  Shaw
Carter  Jetson  Smith, J.D.—50th
Chaisson  Johns  Smith, J.R.—30th
Clarkson  Kennard  Stelly
Copelin  Kenney  Strain
Crane  Lancaster  Theriot
Curtis  Landrieu  Thomas
Damico  LeBlanc  Thompson
Daniel  Long  Thornhill
Deville  Marionneaux  Toomy
DeWitt  Martiny  Travis
Diez  McCain  Triche
Dimos  McCallum  Vitter
Donelon  McDonald  Waddell
Dupre  McMain  Walsworth
Durand  Michot  Warner
Farve  Mitchell  Welch
Faucheux  Montgomery  Weston
Flavin  Morrell  Wiggins
Fontenot  Morish  Wilkerson
Frisch  Murray  Willard
Fruge  Odinet  Windhorst
Gautreaux  Perkins  Winston
Glover  Pierre  Wright
Green  Pinac
Total—104

NAYS
Total—0

ABSENT
Total—0

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

Rep. Thornhill moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 115—
BY SENATOR LANDRY

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(10)(o), relative to sales and use tax; to exclude from such tax the sale or purchase of equipment used in firefighting by fire departments; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Travis sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Representative Travis to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 115 by Senator Landry

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 2, after "47:301(10)(o)" delete the remainder of the line and insert in lieu thereof "and 1003(4), relative to taxes, to"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 3, after "from" and before "tax" delete "such" and insert "sales and use".

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, line 4, after "departments:;" insert "to exempt certain contract carriers from gross receipts tax; to provide for an effective date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 1, line 6, after "301(10)(o)" delete "is" and insert "and 1003(4) are"

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 1, after line 16, insert the following:

"§1003. Definitions
As used in this Part, the following words have the meaning ascribed to them in this Section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

* * *

(4) "Motor bus lines" means any person engaging in the business of transporting passengers for hire within this state where the route of such business extends ten miles or more beyond the corporate limits of any municipality and such transportation is accomplished in any automobile, or any other self propelled vehicle or vehicles used in connection therewith not operated or driven upon fixed rails or tracks.

The term "motor bus lines" shall not include any persons who under special and individual contracts or agreements, whether directly or by other arrangement, transport passengers by bus for compensation or hire. Nothing herein is intended to affect motor bus lines transporting passengers along regular routes.

* * *

Point of Order

Rep. Jenkins asked for a ruling from the Chair as to whether the above amendments were germane to the subject matter contained in the bill as introduced.

Ruling of the Chair

The Chair ruled that the above amendments were not germane to the subject matter contained in the bill as introduced.

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

Rep. Marionneaux sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Representative Marionneaux to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 115 by Senator Landry
AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 47:301(10)(o)" delete the remainder of the line and insert:

"... and to enact R.S. 47:305(D)(1)(u), relative to sales and use tax; to provide relative to certain exclusions and exemptions; to"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after the words and semicolon "fire departments;" delete the remainder of the line and insert:

"... to exempt adaptive driving equipment and motor vehicle modifications prescribed by a physician, a licensed chiropractor, or a qualified mobility equipment dealer or driver rehabilitation specialist; and to provide for related matters."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 6, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and insert:

"... R.S. 47:301(10)(o) is hereby amended and reenacted, and R.S. 47:305(D)(1)(u) is hereby enacted, to read as"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, after line 16, insert the following:

"§305. Exclusions and exemptions from the tax

* * *

D.(1) The sale at retail, the use, the consumption, the distribution, and the storage to be used or consumed in this state of the following tangible personal property is hereby specifically exempted from the tax imposed by this Chapter:

* * *

(u) Adaptive driving equipment and motor vehicle modifications prescribed for personal use by a physician, a licensed chiropractor, a qualified mobility equipment dealer who is a member of the National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association, or a driver rehabilitation specialist licensed by the state.

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

Rep. Faucheux moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker Powell
Alario Pratt
Alexander, A.—93rd Quezaire
Alexander, R.—13th Riddle
Ansardi Romero
Barton Rousselle
Baudoin Salter
Bayor Scalise
Bowler Schneider
Bruce Schwemm
Bruneau Shaw
Carter Smith, J.D.—50th

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Total—0

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

Rep. Faucheux moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 54—

BY SENATOR BARHAM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:287.95(C) and to enact R.S. 47:601.1, relative to corporate income tax and franchise tax of certain transportation companies; to provide a minimal nexus standard for certain trucking companies before their income is apportioned to Louisiana for income tax purposes and before corporation franchise tax is imposed; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

Rep. Alario moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker Powell
Alario Pratt
Alexander, A.—93rd Quezaire
Alexander, R.—13th Riddle
Ansardi Romero
Barton Rousselle
Baudoin Salter
Bayor Scalise
Bowler Schneider
Bruce Schwemm
Bruneau Shaw
Carter Smith, J.D.—50th
The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

Rep. Alario moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Hopkins, the rules were suspended in order to call Senate Bill No. 32 from the calendar without giving a day's notice at this time.

SENATE BILL NO. 32—
BY SENATOR MALONE

A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 21(H) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to ad valorem property tax exemptions; to authorize the State Board of Commerce and Industry to enter into tax exemption contracts, subject to the approval of the governor and the local governing authority, with a property owner who proposes the expansion, restoration, improvement, or development of an existing structure or structures in a downtown district, primarily to develop structures for residential use, for an initial term of five years after completion of the work and up to two five-year renewals for a total of fifteen years; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

Rep. Dimos, on behalf of the Legislative Bureau, sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Dimos to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 32 by Senator Malone

AMENDMENT NO. 1
In House Committee Amendment No. 2 proposed by the House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure, on line 11, after "the" and before "assessed," delete "prior years"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
In House Committee Amendment No. 2 proposed by the House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure, on line 12, after "property" and before the comma ",," insert "for the year prior to the commencement of the expansion, restoration, improvement, or development"

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

Rep. Hopkins moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker Gautreaux Pierre
Alario Glover Pinac
Alexander, A.—93rd Hammett Pratt
Alexander, R.—13th Heaton Riddle
Ansardi Hebert Romero
Barton Hill Rousselle
Baudoin Hopkins Salter
Bayor Hudson Scalise
Bowler Hunter Schneider
Bruce Iles Swcgmann
Bruneau Jenkins Shaw
Carter Jetson Smith, J.D.—50th
Chaisson Johns Smith, J.R.—30th
Clarkson Kennard Stelly
Copelin Kenney Theriot
Cranee Lancaster Thompson
Curtis Landrieu Thornhill
Damico LeBlanc Toomy
Daniel Long Travis
Deville Maronleans Triche
DeWitt Martin Vitter
Diez McCaиn Waddell
Dimos McCaIIum Walsworth
Donelon McDonald Warner
Dupre McMain Wadsworth
Durand Michot Warner
Farve Mitchell Welch
Faucheux Montgomery Westen
Flavin Morrish Wiggins
Fontenot Murray Wilkerson
Frith Odinet Willard
Fruge Perkins Windhorst
Gautreaux Pierre Winston
Glover Pinac Wright
Total—102

NAYS

Green Holden Quezaire
Guillory Murray Strain
Total—6
The chair declared the above bill, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, was finally passed.

Rep. Hopkins moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the rules were suspended in order to take up House and House Concurrent Resolutions on Third Reading for Final Consideration at this time.

#### House and House Concurrent Resolutions on Third Reading for Final Consideration

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions on third reading for final consideration were taken up and acted upon as follows:

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 25—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVES LEBLANC AND DOWNER**
A RESOLUTION
To formalize the review by the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice of the preliminary strategic plan of the Louisiana State Police Gaming Enforcement Division.

- Read by title.
- Motion
  - On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the resolution was returned to the calendar subject to call.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 38—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVES LEBLANC AND DOWNER**
A RESOLUTION
To formalize the review by the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice of the preliminary strategic plan of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board.

- Read by title.
- Motion
  - On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the resolution was returned to the calendar subject to call.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 53—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX**
A RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to obtain and rely on the Federal Aviation Administration's method of certification of compliance with applicable statutes, regulations, and policies to the extent consistent with program goals and the need to protect state investment in order to use resources more efficiently in the department in the administration of state match dollars for federal grants for airports.

- Called from the calendar.
- Read by title.
- Motion
  - On motion of Rep. Faucheux, the resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 72—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE GAUTREAUX**
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Department of Natural Resources and permit applicants publishing notices in official parish journals to also publish such notices in newspapers within affected localities when public notice in an official parish journal may be insufficient.

- Read by title.
- Motion
  - On motion of Rep. Dupre, the resolution was returned to the calendar subject to call.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 77—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVES BARTON, BAUDOIN, FARVE, KENNEY, POWELL, AND SHAW**
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to study the feasibility of the state having sole responsibility for paying teacher salaries using a statewide minimum salary schedule that would ensure that the average teacher pay in Louisiana would be at the Southern Regional Education Board average and to report its findings to the legislature at the earliest possible time.

- Read by title.
- On motion of Rep. Barton, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 53—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX**
A RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to obtain and rely on the Federal Aviation Administration's method of certification of compliance with applicable statutes, regulations, and policies to the extent consistent with program goals and the need to protect state investment in order to use resources more efficiently in the department in the administration of state match dollars for federal grants for airports.

- Called from the calendar.
- Read by title.
- On motion of Rep. Faucheux, the resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 72—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE GAUTREAUX**
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Department of Natural Resources and permit applicants publishing notices in official parish journals to also publish such notices in newspapers within affected localities when public notice in an official parish journal may be insufficient.

- Called from the calendar.
- Read by title.
On motion of Rep. Faucheux, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 78—
  BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To nominate the Little River in Grant and LaSalle Parishes for declassification from the Louisiana natural and scenic rivers system.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Wright, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 90—
  BY REPRESENTATIVES HOLDEN, COPELIN, AND QUEZAIRE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the findings of the Legislature of Louisiana that action taken by the Board of Regents at its April 23, 1998, meeting relative to the Tulane University Environmental Law Clinic exceeded the powers of the board, to declare such action by the board to be ultra vires, and to direct the board to cease and desist from involving itself formally or informally in the policies and programs of Tulane University or in matters involving the administration, management, or oversight of the Tulane University Environmental Law Clinic.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Holden, the resolution was returned to the calendar subject to call.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 92—
  BY REPRESENTATIVE FARVE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To request that the House and Senate Committees on Labor and Industrial Relations meet and function as a joint committee to study the feasibility of creating a recidivism reduction division within the Department of Labor in order to facilitate the training and job search process for former inmates, and to study and to make recommendations relative to the coordination of efforts to reduce the recidivism rate in Louisiana and to encourage employment of former inmates.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Farve, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 95—
  BY REPRESENTATIVES LONG, BARTON, BAUDOIN, CURTIS, FARVE, KENNEY, POWELL, PRATT, SALTER, AND WRIGHT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the state Department of Education to study the development and implementation of a prekindergarten program in Louisiana similar to the Georgia Prekindergarten Program and to report its findings and recommendations on such development and implementation to the House and Senate Committees on Education at least thirty days prior to the beginning of the 1999 Regular Session of the Legislature.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Long, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 96—
  BY REPRESENTATIVES BARTON, BAUDOIN, FARVE, AND POWELL
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to compile definitive information and report in writing to the House Committee on Education and to the Senate Committee on Education prior to the convening of the 1999 Regular Session on the amount of increased revenues from all sources available to each governing authority of a public elementary or secondary school in the state for the 1998-1999 Fiscal Year compared with the previous fiscal year and the estimated percentage of such increased revenues allocated by each such governing authority to be spent during the 1998-1999 school year for classroom teacher salary increases and other classroom instructional purposes.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Barton, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 98—
  BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the House Committee on Commerce and the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection to meet and to function as a joint committee to study the statutory, regulatory, and policy advantages and impediments to the movement of university technology to the marketplace in Louisiana.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 99—
  BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to obtain and rely on the Federal Aviation Administration's method of certification of compliance with applicable statutes, regulations, and policies to the extent consistent with program goals and the need to protect state investment in order to use resources more efficiently in the department in the administration of state match dollars for federal grants for airports.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Faucheux, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 102—
  BY REPRESENTATIVES MCDONALD, HILL, LONG, SALTER AND WIGGINS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request each governing authority of a public secondary school to use any increase in state or local funds for the 1998-1999 school year to enhance classroom activities including allocating a portion of such funds to secondary vocational teachers to defray the costs of providing classroom instructional materials and supplies.

Read by title.
On motion of Rep. McDonald, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 54—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE MORRELL**

A RESOLUTION

To authorize the House Committee on Insurance to study the use of credit reports and determinations of credit worthiness to set insurance premiums for individuals or determine insurability of homeowners.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Morrell, the resolution was adopted.

**Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Third Reading for Final Consideration**

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions on third reading for final consideration were taken up and acted upon as follows:

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18—**
**BY SENATOR BARHAM**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the secretary of the Department of Revenue to take any action necessary for his department to suspend or revoke any and all permits of any dealer of alcoholic beverages on an Indian reservation who fails to pay any sales taxes due to the state.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Stelly, the resolution was concurred in.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38—**
**BY SENATOR SCHEDLER**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the governor to propose and publicly support in the 1999 Regular Session of the Legislature, or in any extraordinary session prior to that session, the enactment of a law calling for a constitutional convention of fifty non-legislators to propose revisions to comprehensively reform and align the entire state and local tax structure prior to the Regular Session in the year 2000.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Windhorst to Original Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 38 by Senator Schedler

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 1, line 5, change "non-legislators" to "citizens"

**AMENDMENT NO. 2**

On page 2, line 16, change "non-legislators" to "citizens"

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

Rep. Landrieu moved the concurrence of the resolution, as amended.


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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker Holden Scalise
Alexander, A.—93rd Hunter Schneider
Baylor Jetson Schwegmann
Bruce Landrieu Theriot
Clarkson Marionneaux Thornhill
Daniel McCain Vitter
Farve McMains Weston
Frith Morrell Willard
Guillory Murray Windhorst
Hebert Powell Winston
Total—33

**NAYS**

Alario Fruge Odinet
Alexander, R.—13th Glover Perkins
Ansardi Green Pierre
Barton Hammett Pinac
Baudoin Heaton Pratt
Bowler Hill Quezaire
Bruneau Hopkins Romero
Carter Hudson Rousselle
Chaisson Iles Salter
Copelin Jenkins Shaw
Crane Johns Smith, J.D.—50th
Curtis Kennard Smith, J.R.—30th
DAmico Kenney Strain
Deville Lancaster Thomas
DeWitt LeBlanc Thompson
Diez Long Tommy
Dimos Martiny Travis
Donelon McCallum Triche
Dupre McDonald Waddell
Durand Michot Warner
Flavin Mitchell Wiggins
Fontenot Morrish Wright
Total—66

**ABSENT**

Gautreaux Stelly Welch
Riddle Walsworth
Total—5

The resolution was rejected.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—**
**BY SENATOR ELLINGTON**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to study the development and implementation of career options beginning in the ninth grade with a course of study for students planning immediate post secondary education and a course of study for students planning immediate entry into the work force, with both options receiving the same diploma and meeting the same requirements for all state-sponsored scholarship and other student financial assistance programs.

Read by title.
On motion of Rep. Wright, the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—
BY SENATORS HAINKEL AND SHORT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To request the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to study that portion of the Tchefuncte River from the Highway 22 Bridge to its entrance into Lake Pontchartrain for possible inclusion in the Louisiana natural and scenic rivers system.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Winston, the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8—
BY SENATOR DARDEENNE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to function as a joint committee to study the feasibility of mandating a reporting system which requires certain candidates for a statewide office to disclose a contributor’s occupation and employer.

Read by title.

Rep. Alario sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Representative Alario to Original Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8 by Senator Dardenne

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, at the end of line 6, delete the "." and add "and to study the feasibility of increasing the maximum amount which an individual may contribute to a candidate for public office."

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, at the end of line 3, change the "." to ";" and add "and"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, between lines 3 and 4 insert "WHEREAS, the maximum amount which an individual may contribute to a candidate for political office should be studied to determine whether those amounts reflect changes due to inflation and other considerations."

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 2, at the end of line 9, delete the "," and add "and to study the feasibility of increasing the maximum amount which an individual may contribute to a candidate for public office."

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

On motion of Rep. Lancaster, the resolution, as amended, was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29—
BY SENATORS BAGNERIS AND HOLLS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To direct the appropriate gaming divisions, office of state police, Department of Public Safety and Corrections and the Louisiana Gaming Control Board to work with the appropriate industry representatives and visitor, convention, or tourist bureaus to develop, adopt, and implement necessary and appropriate rules to provide an approval and permitting process for the display and operation for demonstration purposes of electronic gaming machines, including video drawer poker devices, at trade shows and conventions.

Read by title.

Rep. Windhorst moved the concurrence of the resolution.

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS
Mr. Speaker Green Powell
Alario Guillory Pratt
Alexander, A.—93rd Hammett Quezaire
Alexander, R.—13th Heaton Riddle
Ansardi Hebert Romero
Barton Hill Rousselle
Baudoin Holden Salter
Baylor Hopkins Scalise
Bowler Hudson Schneider
Bruce Hunter Schwegmann
Brunow Iles Shaw
Carter Jenkins Smith, J.D.—50th
Chaisson Johns Smith, J.R.—30th
Clarkson Kennard Stelly
Copelin Kenney Strain
Crane Landrieu Theriot
Curtis Landrieu Thomas
Damico LeBlanc Thompson
Daniel Long Thornhill
DeWitt Marlineaux Toomy
Diez Martiny Travis
Dinos McCain Triche
Donelon McDonald Vitter
Dupre McMains Waddell
Durand Michot Walsworth
Farve Mitchell Warner
Faucheux Montgomery West
Flavin Morrell Wiggins
Fontenot Moorish Wilkerson
Frith Murray Willard
Fruge Odinet Windhorst
Gautreaux Pierre Winston
Glover Pinac Wright
Total—102

NAYS
Total—0
ABSENT
Jetson Perkins
Total—2

The resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 31—
BY SENATOR ELLINGTON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To direct the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to report to the legislature on the beaver and nutria problem in the state and to further report on the actions taken by the department as directed by House Concurrent Resolution No. 79 of the 1995 Regular Session.

Read by title.
Rep. Kenney moved the concurrence of the resolution.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker  Green  Powell  
Alario  Guillory  Pratt  
Alexander, A.—93rd  Hammet  Quezaire  
Alexander, R.—13th  Heaton  Riddle  
Ansardi  Hebert  Romero  
Barton  Hill  Rousselle  
Baudoin  Holden  Salter  
Baylor  Hopkins  Scalise  
Bowler  Hudson  Schneider  
Bruce  Hunter  Schwegmann  
Bruneau  Iles  Shaw  
Carter  Jenkins  Smith, J.D.—50th  
Chaisson  Jetson  Smith, J.R.—30th  
Clarkson  Johns  Stelly  
Copelin  Kennard  Strain  
Crane  Kenney  Theriot  
Curtis  Lancaster  Thomas  
Damico  Landrieu  Thompson  
Daniel  LeBlanc  Thornhill  
Deville  Long  Toomy  
DeWitt  Martin  Trave  
Diez  McCain  Triche  
Dimos  McCallum  Vitter  
Donelon  McDonald  Waddell  
Dupre  McMains  Walworth  
Durand  Michot  Warner  
Farve  Mitchell  Welch  
Faucheux  Montgomery  Weston  
Flavin  Morrell  Wiggins  
Fontenot  Murray  Wilkerson  
Frith  Odinet  Willard  
Fruge  Perkins  Windhorst  
Gautreaux  Pierre  Winston  
Glover  Pinac  Wright  

Total—102

**NAYS**

Total—0

**ABSENT**

Marionneaux  Morrish  
Total—2

The resolution was concurred in.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36—**  
BY SENATOR JONES  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create and provide for the Louisiana Commission on Poverty to study and make recommendations for developing and implementing a comprehensive coordinated program to reduce poverty in this state.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Hunter, the resolution was concurred in.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 42—**  
BY SENATOR HINES AND REPRESENTATIVE R. ALEXANDER  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Children's Cabinet to seek ways to reduce adverse maternal-health behaviors during pregnancy, dysfunctional infant care giving, and stressful environmental conditions that interfere with parental and family functioning, and to urge and request the Children's Cabinet Advisory Board to research successful primary prevention strategies that may reduce the rate of children living in poverty and in single-parent families, infant mortality, child mortality, low birth weight births, high school dropouts, and teens out of school and unemployed.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Rodney Alexander, the resolution was concurred in.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 44—**  
BY SENATOR ROMERO  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development, the Louisiana Transportation Research Center, Louisiana State University, the Louisiana Transportation Research Center Foundation, Inc. and private sector transportation entities to develop a public-private partnership for the planning, development, and construction of a transportation training and educational facility.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Hebert, the resolution was concurred in.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 48—**  
BY SENATOR C. FIELDS  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create the Task Force on Statewide Public Transportation; to study the public transportation network throughout the state; to determine deficiencies within such transportation system; and to establish a plan of action based on methods to improve the public transportation network.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Jetson, the resolution was concurred in.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 50—**  
BY SENATOR ULLO  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create and provide for the FINS Juvenile Justice Task Force to make recommendations for devising a formula for the equitable distribution of state funds for the administration of the Families in Need of Services program throughout Louisiana's forty-one judicial district courts.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Thornhill, the resolution was concurred in.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52—**  
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER AND REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to evaluate and study scenic Bayou Liberty in St. Tammany Parish from the center of the waterway to the low water mark.

Read by title.
On motion of Rep. Schneider, the resolution was concurred in.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Murray, the rules were suspended in order to take up Senate Concurrent Resolutions at this time.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

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

Motion

On motion of Rep. Murray, the Committee on Insurance was discharged from further consideration of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 37.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 37—
BY SENATOR IRONS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the Congress of the United States to reject efforts to preempt state authority to regulate health insurance arrangements offered by certain associations and business groups, commonly known as multiple employer welfare arrangements (MEWAs) or association health plan.

Read by title.

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

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Murray, the rules were suspended in order to take up Petitions, Memorials and Communications at this time.

Petitions, Memorials and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

SIGNED SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS
June 9, 1998

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has signed the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

Senate Concurrent Resolution Nos. 49 and 58

and ask the Speaker of the House of Representatives to affix his signature to the same.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

The Senate Concurrent Resolutions contained herein were signed by the Speaker of the House.

Message from the Senate

SIGNED SENATE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS
June 9, 1998

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has signed the following Senate Bills:

Senate Bill Nos. 53 and 59

and ask the Speaker of the House of Representatives to affix his signature to the same.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

The Senate Bills contained herein were signed by the Speaker of the House.

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. 75—
BY REPRESENTATIVE R. ALEXANDER
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the House Committee on Health and Welfare to study the effects of tobacco on health and to develop a statewide plan for the prevention of tobacco-related illness, and to report findings and recommendations to the House of Representatives prior to the convening of the 1999 Regular Session.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 76—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILKERSON
A RESOLUTION

To the House Committee on Retirement to study the benefits payable to university employees in the north central region of Louisiana who are retired from the Teachers’ Retirement System of Louisiana, to study the options available for the payment of such benefits, to study the rules, regulations, and extent of employee input regarding the changing of such rules and regulations, and to report study findings and recommendations to the House of Representatives prior to the convening of the 1999 Regular Session.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Wilkerson, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.
HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 77—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLDEN
A RESOLUTION
To request the Southern Legislative Conference to select New Orleans as the site of its 2002 annual meeting and to express the support of the legislature in assuring the success of such meeting in New Orleans.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 78—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOWLER
A RESOLUTION
To urge and request the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to study the feasibility of continuing to assess the annual motor vehicle registration license tax based upon actual value of motor vehicles and to explore alternative methods of assessment of such tax.

Read by title.

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

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs
June 9, 1998

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:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 34, by Johnson
Reported with amendments. (11-0)

CHARLES D. LANCASTER, JR. Chairman

Speaker Downer in the Chair

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Willard, the rules were suspended in order to take up Senate Concurrent Resolutions Reported by Committees at this time.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions Reported by Committees

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions reported by committees were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34—
BY SENATORS JOHNSON, BARHAM, CAIN, LENTINI, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND SCHEDLER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To create and provide with respect to a special committee to study the entire tax system in order to make recommendations in the areas of tax exemptions, exclusions, deductions, credits, and refunds and to create an advisory committee and provide for an expert to assist the joint committee.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to Engrossed Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 34 by Senator Johnson

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 3, after "areas of" and before "taxes" insert "taxes, methods of taxation, tax rates,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, line 11, after "of" and before "tax" insert "taxes, methods of taxation, tax rates,"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, at the end of line 11, after "refunds" and before the period "." insert "and any other recommendation relative to tax structure."

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 2, line 12, after "precess for the" delete the remainder of the line and insert "granting and repeal of tax"

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 2, delete lines 14 through 17

AMENDMENT NO. 6
On page 4, delete lines 17 through 21 and insert the following:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon request of the special committee, the Legislative Budgetary Control Council may retain the services of one or more experts in state and local taxation matters to assist in the conduct of the study."

AMENDMENT NO. 7
On page 4, delete lines 25 through 27

AMENDMENT NO. 8
On page 5, line 1, after "Development," and before "the House" insert "the Department of Revenue,"

AMENDMENT NO. 9
On page 5, at the end of line 2, delete "such" and delete line 3 and insert "the committee to produce the report upon request"

AMENDMENT NO. 10
On page 5, line 6, after "work with" delete the remainder of the line and insert "the committee to"

On motion of Rep. Lancaster, the amendments were adopted.
On motion of Rep. Lancaster, the resolution, as amended, was ordered passed to its third reading.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Willard, the rules were suspended in order to take up Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Third Reading for Final Consideration at this time.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Third Reading for Final Consideration

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions on third reading for final consideration were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34—
BY SENATORS JOHNSON, BARHAM, CAIN, LENTINI, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND SCHEDLER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To create and provide with respect to a special committee to study the entire tax system in order to make recommendations in the areas of tax exemptions, exclusions, deductions, credits, and refunds and to create an advisory committee and provide for an expert to assist the joint committee.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Willard, the resolution was concurred in.

House Concurrent Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments

The following House Concurrent Resolutions returned from the Senate with amendments were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FARVE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to redesignate R.S. 9:2949 as Paragraph B of Civil Code Article 477, as enacted in Acts 1995, No. 640 of the Louisiana Legislature.

Read by title.

The above resolution was taken up with the amendments proposed by Senator Ullo to Engrossed House Concurrent Resolution No. 13 by Representative Farve

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 2, delete "direct" and insert "urge and request"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, line 6, after "hereby" delete "directs" and insert "urges and requests"

Rep. Farve moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be rejected.

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker
Guillory
Powell

Alario
Hammett
Praitt

Alexander, A.—93rd
Heaton
Quezaire

Alexander, R.—13th
Hibert
Riddle

Ansardi
Hill
Romer

Barton
Holden
Roussel

Boudoin
Hopkins
Salter

Baylor
Hudson
Saclese

Bowler
Hunter
Schneider

Bruce
Iles
Schwegmann

Bruneau
Jenkins
Shaw

Carter
Jetson
Smith, J.D.—50th

Chaiazzaon
Johns
Smith, J.R.—30th

Clarkson
Kennard
Stelly

Copelin
Kenney
Strain

Crane
Lancaster
Theriot

Curtis
Landrieu
Thomas

Damico
LeBlanc
Thompson

Daniel
Long
Toomy

Deville
Marionneaux
Travis

DeWitt
Martiny
Triche

Diez
McGee
Vitter

Dimos
McCallum
Waddell

Donelon
McDonald
Walsworth

Durep
McMains
Warner

Durand
Michot
Welch

Farve
Mitchell
Weston

Faucheux
Montgomery
Wiggins

Flavin
Morrell
Wilkins

Fontenot
Morrish
Willard

Frithe
Murray
Windle

Fruge
Odenet
Windhorst

Gautreaux
Perkins
Winston

Glover
Pierre
Wright

Green
Pinac

Total—104

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Total—0

The amendments proposed by the Senate were rejected.

Conference committee appointment pending.

Conference Committee Appointment

The Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement to House Concurrent Resolution No. 13: Reps. Farve, McMains, and Bowler.

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Montgomery, at 7:45 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Wednesday, June 10, 1998, at 9:30 A.M.
