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**OF THE**  
**HOUSE OF**  
**REPRESENTATIVES**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**Twenty-eighth Extraordinary Session of the Legislature  
Under the Adoption of the  
Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, June 19, 2000

The House of Representatives was called to order at 5:00 P.M., by the Honorable Charlie DeWitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**Morning Hour**

**ROLL CALL**

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

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker	Glover	Pinac
Alario	Green	Pitre
Alexander, E	Guillory	Powell
Alexander, R	Hammett	Pratt
Ansardi	Heaton	Quezaire
Baudoin	Hebert	Richmond
Baylor	Hill	Riddle
Bowler	Holden	Romero
Broome	Hopkins	Salter
Bruce	Hudson	Scalise
Bruneau	Hunter	Schwegmann
Carter, K	Iles	Shaw
Carter, R	Jackson, L	Smith, G.—56th
Cazayoux	Jackson, M	Smith, J.D.—50th
Clarkson	Johns	Smith, J.H.—8th
Crane	Katz	Smith, J.R.—30th
Crowe	Kennard	Sneed
Curtis	Kenney	Stelly
Damico	LaFleur	Strain
Daniel	Lancaster	Thompson
Dartez	Landrieu	Toomy
Devillier	LeBlanc	Townsend
Diez	Lucas	Triche
Doerge	Martiny	Waddell
Donelon	McCallum	Walsworth
Downer	McDonald	Warner
Dupre	McMains	Welch
Durand	Montgomery	Willkerson
Erdey	Morrell	Willard

Farrar	Morrish	Windhorst
Faucheux	Murray	Winston
Flavin	Nevers	Wooton
Frith	Odinot	Wright
Fruge	Perkins	
Futrell	Pierre	
Total—103		

ABSENT

Schneider  
Total—1

The Speaker announced that there were 103 members present and a quorum.

**Prayer**

Prayer was offered by Rep. Riddle.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

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

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Riddle, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Governor that the House is convened and prepared to transact business: Reps. E. Alexander, Bruneau, Futrell, Pratt, and Scalise.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Riddle, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Senate that the House is convened and prepared to transact business: Reps. LeBlanc, Salter, Murray, Martiny, and Diez.

**Reports of Special Committees**

The special committee appointed to notify the Governor that the House had convened and was prepared to transact business reported that it had performed that duty.

The special committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House had convened and was prepared to transact business reported that it had performed that duty.

The Speaker thanked and discharged the committees.

**Committee from the Senate**

A special committee from the Senate notified the House that the Senate has convened and is prepared to transact business.

The Speaker thanked and dismissed the committee.

**Petitions, Memorials and  
Communications**

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

**Message from the Secretary of State**

The following message from the Secretary of State was received and read:

**SECRETARY OF STATE**  
State of Louisiana

June 14, 2000

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

I have the honor to hand you herewith certified copy of the Proclamation by his Excellency, M. J. "Mike" Foster, Jr., Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated June 13, 2000, designating certain objects to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 5:00 o'clock P.M. on the 19th day of June, 2000, and to adjourn, sine die, not later than 6:00 o'clock P.M. on the 28th day of June, 2000.

Sincerely,

W. Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of State

**United States of America  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of State**

As Secretary of State of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby certify that the attached pages contain a true and correct copy of the Proclamation by His Excellency, M. J. "Mike" Foster, Jr., Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated June 13, 2000, designating certain objects to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 5:00 o'clock P.M. on the 19th day of June, 2000, and to adjourn, sine die, not later than 6:00 o'clock P.M. on the 28th day of June, 2000.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on this the 14th day of June, 2000.

Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of State

**State of Louisiana  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

**PROCLAMATION**

By virtue of the authority vested in me by Paragraph B of Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution of Louisiana, I, M. J. "Mike" Foster, Jr., Governor of the State of Louisiana, HEREBY CALL AND CONVENE THE LEGISLATURE OF LOUISIANA INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION to convene at the State Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, during ten calendar days, beginning at 5:00 o'clock P.M. on the 19th day of June, 2000, and ending no later than 6:00 o'clock P.M. on the 28th day of June, 2000. The power to legislate at such session shall be limited, under penalty of nullity, to the following specified enumerated objects:

- Item No. 1. To make appropriations for the ordinary expenses of the executive branch of state government, pensions, public schools, public roads, public charities, and state institutions and providing with respect to the expenditure of said appropriations and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 2. To make appropriations for 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 otherwise to provide relative thereto.

- Item No. 3. To make appropriations 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 and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 4. To authorize the management boards of higher education and vocational and technical colleges to increase existing tuition, fees, charges, co-payments, or assessments, or to impose new tuition, fees, charges, co-payments, or assessments, but only in the event Louisiana State University at Alexandria is authorized by law to issue *baccalaureate* degrees and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 5. To amend and reenact provisions of Titles 17 and 36 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 relative to the authorization of Louisiana State University at Alexandria to issue *baccalaureate* degrees and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 6. To legislate relative to requiring composite returns and composite tax payments to the state of Louisiana by certain non-corporate entities and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 7. To amend and reenact R.S. 47:481 relative to the crediting of certain fees and taxes to the Transportation Trust Fund and to other funds and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 8. To legislate relative to the imposition or increase of fees assessed by the Office of Mineral Resources in the Department of Natural Resources, to provide for the disposition of said fees, to provide for the right of access by the department to certain related information and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 9. To legislate relative to R.S. 49:308.4 to provide for the applicability of the requirements relative to inter-fund borrowing and repayment and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 10. To amend the Constitution of Louisiana relative to the exemptions or exclusions from the sales and use taxes of local governmental subdivisions, school boards, and other political subdivisions and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 11. To legislate relative to refunds for taxes paid on the sale or rental of certain tangible personal property covered by Medicare and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 12. To amend R.S. 27:25(B)(1) to provide that matters regulated by the Gaming Control Law contested or disputed by a party against whom the board or division proposes action required by law to be determined after notice and an opportunity for a hearing shall be heard by a hearing officer or the board in a public hearing conducted in accordance with the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act and otherwise to provide relative thereto.
- Item No. 13. To amend R.S. 17:2053(D) to correct the name of Our Lady of the Lake College and to add Saint Joseph

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| <p>Seminary College to the list of eligible institutions and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   |  |
| <p>Item No. 14. To legislate relative to the reemployment of retired faculty members by institutions of higher education and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   | <p>jurisdiction and control of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries or the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission; to provide for the authorization thereof by the secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; to provide for the assessment of consideration, compensation and/or fees for such servitude and/or access; and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p> |
| <p>Item No. 15. To legislate relative to the Office of State Parks in the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism to authorize the office to lease certain lands under its jurisdiction in the parish of St. Tammany, the parish of Calcasieu, or the parish of Sabine for the purpose of providing additional recreation opportunities, and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>  | <p>Item No. 24. To amend R.S. 27:306(A) of the Video Draw Poker Devices Control Law solely to require multiple licensed facilities such as restaurants, bars, taverns, cocktail lounges, and clubs owned by one person to be physically separate and non-contiguous places of business.</p>  |
| <p>Item No. 16. To legislate relative to the Act of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature introduced and enacted as House Bill 295 of the said Regular Session by amending R.S. 47:295(H)(3)(a), (b), and (c) as enacted therein, to increase the average pay of Louisiana elementary and secondary public classroom teachers employed by the city and parish public systems and special schools and the faculty and professional staff employed in postsecondary education under the jurisdiction of the Board of Regents and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p> | <p>Item No. 25. To revise the qualifications for the Department of Transportation and Development Assistant Secretary for the Office of Planning and Programming.</p>  |
| <p>Item No. 17. To provide with respect to the method used to calculate retirement benefits of certain district court judges who retire due to the creation of subdistricts or a district; to provide for retroactive application and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>  | <p>Item No. 26. To amend Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 to create the Lake Oaks Subdivision Improvement District and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>  |
| <p>Item No. 18. To amend and reenact Section 6 of the Act of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature introduced and enacted as House Bill 140 of the said Regular Session, to provide for the effective dates of the Act, to provide for the suspension or repeal of the Act and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   | <p>Item No. 27. To amend and reenact or suspend provisions of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 relative to school day requirements under recognized emergencies and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   |
| <p>Item No. 19. To amend Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 to provide for the authority of the State Fire Marshal to suspend, restrict, or otherwise prohibit open outdoor burning, to provide for penalties for violations, and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>  | <p>Item No. 28. To legislate relative to the procedure by which the position of police chief is filled in New Iberia and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>  |
| <p>Item No. 20. To legislate relative to the imposition of additional fees or civil penalties, or the increase of existing fees or civil penalties by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   | <p>Item No. 29. To legislate relative to the clerical and expense allowance for the Iberia Parish Assessor's Office and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   |
| <p>Item No. 21. To amend Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 to authorize a one-time crab trap gear fee increase, the proceeds of which are to be used to secure the imposition of federal tariffs and/or quotas on imported crabmeat and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   | <p>Item No. 30. To legislate relative to the dedication of the proceeds of the state sales and use taxes levied on services defined by R.S. 47:301(14)(a) in the parish of Iberia and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   |
| <p>Item No. 22. To amend Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and the Louisiana Code of Criminal Procedure relative to the creation of the Wildlife Enforcement Enhancement Fund, to provide for fines and penalties, to provide for the uses of the fund for enforcement of department laws and regulations and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   | <p>Item No. 31. To amend Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to provide for the appointment of the chief of police of the village of McNary and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   |
| <p>Item No. 23. To amend Title 30 and Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 relative to servitudes and/or access for commercial purposes to property under the</p>   | <p>Item No. 32. To legislate relative to the fees for the clerk of court for St. John the Baptist Parish and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>  |
|   | <p>Item No. 33. To legislate relative to the exemption from court reporting certification requirements for the official and deputy official court reporters in Evangeline and St. Landry parishes and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   |
|   | <p>Item No. 34. To amend Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 relative to the Opelousas City Court to authorize the marshal to collect a fee for services and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>   |
|   | <p>Item No. 35. To authorize Natchitoches Parish to levy an additional one percent sales and use tax dependant upon approval of the levy by the electors of the parish and otherwise to provide relative thereto.</p>  |
|   | <p>Item No. 36. To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1498 to provide for an increase in the per diem for commissioners of the</p>  |

governing board of the St. Tammany Fire District Number 4 and otherwise to provide relative thereto.

Item No. 37. To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2074.5 relative to the City Court of Hammond, to authorize the transfer of unclaimed filing fees and costs into the general fund account under certain circumstances, and otherwise to provide relative thereto.

Item No. 38. Subject to voter approval, authorize any parish having a population of more than thirty-five thousand but fewer than thirty-eight thousand persons, as of either of the two most recent federal decennial census, or any sales tax district created by the governing authority of such parish, to levy and collect an additional one percent sales and use tax, which sales tax shall not be subject to the rate limitations provided for in Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 13th day of June, 2000.

M. J. "Mike" FOSTER, JR.  
Governor of Louisiana

ATTEST BY THE GOVERNOR

FOX McKEITHEN  
Secretary of State

**Message from the Senate**  
**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN**  
**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

June 19, 2000

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted and asks your concurrence in the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III  
Secretary of the Senate

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Senate Concurrent Resolutions Lying Over at this time.

**Senate Concurrent Resolutions Lying Over**

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—**

BY SENATOR LAMBERT

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To invite the Honorable M. J. "Mike" Foster, Governor of Louisiana to address a joint session of the legislature.

Read by title.

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

**Introduction of Resolutions**

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 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To suspend until June 30, 2000, certain provisions of R.S. 17:154.1(A)(1) and (B), relative to the minimum requirements for instructional time and the length of the school year, to suspend such provisions only for Castor High School in Bienville Parish due to the recent closure of such school as a result of tornado damages.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Salter, and under a suspension of the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Education, under the rules.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To commend Louisiana's Old State Capitol for student fund-raising efforts on behalf of the National World War II Memorial and to encourage statewide support of the memorial project.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**Introduction of House Bills**

The following named members introduced the following entitled House Bills and Joint Resolutions which were read the first time by their titles and placed upon the calendar for their second reading and, under a suspension of the rules, were referred to committee as follows:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC

**AN ACT**

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

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 2—**

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.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 3—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES LEBLANC AND DEWITT AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE  
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.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 4—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND HEBERT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Subpart B of Part II of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and the title thereof, comprised of R.S. 17:1501, relative to higher education; to provide relative to institutions under the management of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College; to establish Louisiana State University at Alexandria as an institution authorized to offer baccalaureate degrees; to provide for implementation, including the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the Board of Regents; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 5—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:381(C)(20), relative to the village of McNary; to authorize the governing authority of the village to abolish the office of police chief or to provide for the filling of such office by appointment; to provide for the method of appointment and for the salary, term, duties, qualifications, and supervision of an appointed police chief; to authorize the mayor and the board of aldermen to enter a cooperative endeavor for law enforcement services; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 6—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATOR HOLLIS  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1563.2, relative to the fire marshal; to authorize the fire marshal to suspend, restrict, or otherwise prohibit open outdoor burning; to prohibit certain activities; to provide for

exceptions; to provide for enforcement; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 7—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DIEZ  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:508.1(B) and (F), relative to the Department of Transportation and Development; to provide for the qualifications of the assistant secretary for the office of planning and programming; to provide for a designee of the assistant secretary; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 8—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DIEZ  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:481, relative to certain fees and taxes imposed on motor vehicles; to provide for the deposit and credit of a portion of such fees and taxes to the state general fund; to provide for the legislative intent relative to Act 897 of the 1999 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 9—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE RIDDLE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Subpart B of Part II of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and the title thereof, comprised of R.S. 17:1501, relative to higher education; to provide relative to institutions under the management of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College; to establish Louisiana State University at Alexandria as an institution authorized to offer baccalaureate degrees; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 10—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3351(A)(5)(a) and (b) and (10), relative to the powers, duties, and responsibilities of public postsecondary education management boards; to grant authority to the management boards to establish, in accordance with certain guidelines, tuition and mandatory attendance fee amounts applicable to resident and nonresident students; to provide limitations; to provide for the application of certain policy guidelines of the Board of Regents; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 11—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE POWELL  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2074.5, relative to the City Court of Hammond; to authorize the transfer of surplus filing fees and costs into a civil fee account; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 12—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1423(B)(1), R.S. 34:851.20(A)(1) and (F), R.S. 56:103(B), (C)(1), and (F), 103.1(B)(1), 104(A)(1)(a), (2), (3), (4), and (6), 105(B), 109(D)(4), 152(A), 162, 302.1(A), (B)(1)(intro. para.), and (C)(2)(a) and (c), 302.2(A), 302.5, 643, 646, and 649.3, to enact R.S. 34:851.20(N) and R.S. 56:102, 104(B)(4), 109(D)(5), 302.1(G) and (H) and 649.7, and to repeal R.S. 56:103(D), 104(B)(1) and (3), 302(D) and (E), 302.1(D), 302.2(C) and (D), 302.3(E), 699.1, and 699.2, all relative to licenses issued by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; to provide relative to the issuance of such licenses; to provide relative to the cost of and qualifications for such licenses; to provide for the collection of fees for such licenses; to provide for the distribution and expenditure of revenues collected from such licenses; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 13—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TOWNSEND  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3351(A)(5)(a) and (b) and (10), relative to the powers, duties, and responsibilities of public postsecondary education management boards; to grant authority to the management boards to establish in accordance with certain guidelines tuition and mandatory attendance fee amounts applicable to resident and nonresident students; to provide limitations; to provide exceptions; to provide for the application of certain policy guidelines of the Board of Regents; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 14—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TOWNSEND  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2738.83, relative to certain parishes; to authorize the governing authority of certain parishes, subject to voter approval, to levy and collect an additional sales and use tax; to provide for sales tax districts within the parish; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 15—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TOWNSEND  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2738.64, relative to Natchitoches Parish; to authorize the parish governing authority, subject to voter approval, to levy and collect an additional sales and use tax; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 16—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MARTINY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 27:25(B)(1), relative to the Louisiana Gaming Control Law; to provide for matters requiring a public hearing; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 17—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MARTINY AND SENATOR CRAVINS  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 27:306(A)(2), relative to the Video Draw Poker Devices Control Law; to provide criteria for certain multiple licensed facilities owned by a single owner in a single building or structure; to provide for the number of video draw poker devices which may be operated at such facilities; to require that certain multiple licensed facilities be physically separate and noncontiguous places of business; to provide for exceptions; to provide definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 18—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CRANE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:791(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 11:707(F), relative to the Teachers' Retirement System; to provide with respect to the reemployment of certain retirees and the funding of the actuarial costs associated with such reemployment; to provide with respect to earnings limitations applicable to certain reemployed retirees; to provide with respect to benefits; to provide with respect to the Deferred Retirement Option Plan; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 19—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:31(B), relative to penalties for wildlife and fisheries violations; to increase the penalties for class one violations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 20—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:14.1 and Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 887(I), relative to wildlife and fisheries; to create the Wildlife Enforcement Enhancement Fund; to provide for the uses of the fund; to provide for the purpose of the fund; to provide for the assessment of additional costs for certain wildlife and fisheries violations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 21—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ODINET  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:305(B)(2) and to enact R.S. 56:16, relative to gear fees; to authorize a one-time crab trap gear fee increase; to create the Section 201 Petition Fund; to provide for the deposit of the crab trap gear fee increase into the fund; to provide for the expenditure of monies in the fund; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 22—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:847(E), relative to clerk of court in St. John the Baptist Parish; to authorize an additional fee for an extension of time for payment of traffic ticket fine; to authorize an additional fee for every attachment summary subpoena, and court order for arrest; to authorize a fee for felony and misdemeanor expungement proceedings in the Fortieth Judicial District Court; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 23—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHWEGMANN  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:9075, relative to neighborhood improvement districts; to create the Lake Oaks Subdivision Improvement District as a special taxing district in the parish of Orleans; to provide relative to a board of commissioners created to govern the district; to provide for the powers, duties, and functions of such board; to authorize the board, subject to voter approval, to levy a parcel fee; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

**Recess**

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the Speaker declared the House at recess until 5:45 P.M.

**Joint Session of the Legislature**

The joint session of the legislature was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by the Honorable John J. Hainkel, Jr., President of the Senate.

On motion of Sen. Lambert, the calling of the roll on the part of the Senate was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the calling of the roll on the part of the House was dispensed with.

The President of the Senate appointed the following special committee to escort the Honorable M. J. "Mike" Foster, Jr., Governor of the State of Louisiana, to the joint session.

On the part of the Senate: Senators Theunissen, Bill Jones, C. D. Jones, Thomas, Hines, and Romero.

On the part of the House: Representatives E. Alexander, Bruneau, Futrell, Pratt, Baudoin, and Scalise.

The President of the Senate introduced the Honorable M. J. "Mike" Foster, Jr., who addressed the joint session of the legislature.

On motion of Sen. Lambert, the Senate retired to its own chamber.

**House Business Resumed**

**After Recess**

Speaker DeWitt called the House to order at 5:45 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**PRESENT**

Mr. Speaker	Glover	Pinac
Alario	Green	Pitre
Alexander, E	Guillory	Powell
Alexander, R	Hammett	Pratt
Ansardi	Heaton	Quezaire
Baudoin	Hebert	Richmond
Baylor	Hill	Riddle
Bowler	Holden	Romero
Broome	Hopkins	Salter
Bruce	Hudson	Scalise
Bruneau	Hunter	Schwegmann
Carter, K	Iles	Shaw
Carter, R	Jackson, L	Smith, G.—56th
Cazayoux	Jackson, M	Smith, J.D.—50th
Clarkson	Johns	Smith, J.H.—8th
Crane	Katz	Smith, J.R.—30th
Crowe	Kennard	Sneed
Curtis	Kennedy	Stelly
Damico	LaFleur	Strain
Daniel	Lancaster	Thompson
Dartez	Landrieu	Toomy
Devillier	LeBlanc	Townsend
Diez	Lucas	Triche
Doerge	Martiny	Waddell
Donelon	McCallum	Walsworth

Downer	McDonald	Warner
Dupre	McMains	Welch
Durand	Montgomery	Wilkerson
Erdey	Morrell	Willard
Farrar	Morrish	Windhorst
Fauchoux	Murray	Winston
Flavin	Nevers	Wooton
Frith	Odinot	Wright
Fruge	Perkins	
Futrell	Pierre	
Total—103		

ABSENT

Schneider  
Total—1

The Speaker announced there were 103 members present and a quorum.

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Downer, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Introduction of Resolutions at this time.

**Introduction of Resolutions**

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. 1—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOWNER

**A RESOLUTION**

To proclaim May first as Artists in the Capitol Day annually in Louisiana, in continuation of France's tradition of the *Fete de la Musique*.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES CLARKSON, BAUDOIN, BROOME, BRUCE, DARTEZ, DEVILLIER, DOERGE, DURAND, ILES, L. JACKSON, KATZ, PRATT, SCHWEGMANN, WELCH, WILKERSON, WILLARD, AND WINSTON AND SENATORS BAJOIE, IRONS, AND MOUNT

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge and request the Louisiana congressional delegation to support pending legislation which prohibits health insurers and self-insured health plans from discriminating against individuals and their family members on the basis of predictive genetic information or genetic services.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES DOWNER, MCDONALD, JOHN SMITH, AND TRICHE

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge and request the Department of Revenue to create, without delay, a temporary special debt collection team to assist in the collection of delinquent taxes.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES DOWNER, LEBLANC, MCDONALD, JOHN SMITH, AND TRICHE

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To create a special state tax collection task force to help the Department of Revenue identify delinquent taxes owed to the state, the impediments in collecting such taxes and deficiencies in the department's assessment and audit process and dispute resolution procedures, and to suggest alternative collection practices.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILKERSON

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge and request the House Committees on Health and Welfare and the Administration of Criminal Justice and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and Judiciary B to meet and to function as a joint committee to study the prevention and treatment of human immunodeficiency virus/acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS), sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), and tuberculosis (TB) in the correctional population, and to report the findings of the joint committee to the legislature prior to the convening of the 2001 Regular Session.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILKERSON

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge and request the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges to provide a written report to the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education by not later than August 1, 2000, on the procedures used relative to the downsizing and closing of programs of postsecondary vocational-technical education offered at vocational-technical institutions under the jurisdiction of the board and to include in such report a list of all programs currently offered at each institution and all programs that have been downsized or closed at each institution since July 1, 1999, and the justification for each such action.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**Introduction of House Bills**

The following named members introduced the following entitled House Bills and Joint Resolutions which were read the first time by



their titles and placed upon the calendar for their second reading and, under a suspension of the rules, were referred to committee as follows:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 24—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 49:308.4(A), to reenact R.S. 49:308.4(A), and to repeal Section 2 of the Act introduced as Senate Bill No. 85 of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature, all relative to interfund borrowing; to provide for the applicability of repayment provisions; to provide for effectiveness provisions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 25—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAINS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:201.1, relative to the individual income tax; to provide for the filing of composite returns and for composite payments by certain noncorporate entities; 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 BILL NO. 26—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES PRATT AND MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:558.2(A)(1), relative to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System; to provide with respect to the criteria used to determine eligibility for retirement and calculation of benefits of certain district court judges; to provide regarding effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 27—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:315.3(A), relative to the state and local sales and use tax; to provide for refunds for taxes paid on the sale or rental of certain tangible personal property covered by Medicare; 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 BILL NO. 28—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Act 10 of 1999 of the Regular Session of the Legislature by adding Section 17.1 thereto, providing for certain appropriations for the ordinary expenses of the executive branch of state government for the 1999-2000 Fiscal Year.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 29—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:2556(D), relative to certified shorthand reporters; to exempt certain official court reporters and deputy official court reporters from certification requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 30—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES STELLY AND MCMAINS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:295(H)(3), all as enacted in that Act which was introduced as House Bill No. 295 of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the Education Enhancement Fund; to provide for the uses of the monies in the fund relative to pay increases for certain elementary, secondary, and higher education personnel and for other purposes; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 31—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 6 of the Act which originated as House Bill No. 140 of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature; to provide that the suspension of certain exemptions to one percent of the state sales and use tax shall become ineffective on June 30, 2001; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Appropriations to meet and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill Nos. 1, 2, 3, 8, 24, 28, and 30

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Toomy, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Judiciary to meet on Tuesday, June 20, 2000, and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill Nos. 11, 22, and 29

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Broome, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to meet on Tuesday, June 20, 2000, and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill Nos. 5, 14, 15, and 23

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Curtis, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Retirement to meet on Tuesday, June 20, 2000, and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill Nos. 18 and 26

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Diez, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to meet and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill No. 7

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Hammett, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Ways and Means to meet and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill Nos. 25, 27, and 31

**Leave of Absence**

Rep. Schneider- 1 day

**Adjournment**

On motion of Rep. Riddle, at 6:05 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, June 20, 2000, at 5:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 5:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 20, 2000.

ALFRED W. SPEER  
Clerk of the House

**Committee Meeting Notices**

**Committee on Appropriations**

Will meet at: 9:00 a.m. Date: June 20, 2000

Location: Committee Room 5

**HB 1 LEBLANC – APPROPRIATIONS:** Provides for the ordinary expenses of state government

**HB 2 LEBLANC – APPROPRIATIONS/ANCILLARY:** Provides for the ancillary expenses of state government

**HB 3 LEBLANC – APPROPRIATIONS:** Appropriates funds for the expenses of the judiciary

**HB 8 DIEZ – FUNDS/FUNDING:** Provides for the deposit and credit of certain fees and taxes to the state general fund

**HB 24 ALARIO – FUNDS/FUNDING:** Removes for one year the requirement for repayment of interfund borrowing by August 15 (Item No. 9)

**HB 28 LEBLANC – APPROPRIATIONS:** Amend and reenact Act 10 of 1999 relative to medical vendor appropriations

**HB 30 STELLY – FUNDS/FUNDING:** Relative to the Educational Enhancement Fund, provides relative to pay increases for certain elementary, secondary, and higher education personnel (Item No. 16)

JERRY LUKE LEBLANC  
Chairman

**Committee on Judiciary**

Will meet at: 2:00 P.M. Date: June 20, 2000

Location: Committee Room 1

**HB 11 POWELL – COURTS/COURT COSTS:** Permits the City Court of Hammond to transfer surplus filing fees

**HB 22 FAUCHEUX – COURTS:** Provides for additional fees for the clerk of court of St. John the Baptist Parish

**HB 29 LAFLEUR – SHORTHAND REPORTERS:** Exempts official court reporters and deputy official court reporters in Evangeline and St. Landry parishes from certification requirements

JOSEPH F. TOOMY  
Chairman

**Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs**

Will meet at: 2:00 p.m. Date: June 20, 2000

Location: Committee Room 6

**HB 5 DEWITT – LOCAL OFFL/POLICE CHIEFS:** Authorizes the governing authority of the village of McNary to abolish the office of police chief or provide for filling the office by appointment and provides for obtaining law enforcement services

**HB 14 TOWNSEND – TAX/SALES-USE, LOCAL:** Authorizes certain parish governing authorities to levy an additional sales tax

**HB 15 TOWNSEND – TAX/SALES-USE, LOCAL:** Authorizes the Natchitoches Parish governing authority to levy an additional sales tax

**HB 23 SCHWEGMANN – DISTRICTS/NEIGHBORHOOD:** Creates the Lake Oaks Subdivision Improvement District

SHARON WESTON BROOME  
Chairman

**Committee on Retirement**

Will meet at: 2:00 p.m. Date: June 20, 2000

Location: Committee Room 4

**HB 18 CRANE – RETIREMENT/TEACHERS:** Removes the waiting period and lessens the earnings limit applicable upon reemployment of certain retired employees of colleges and universities who have attained at least age 62

**HB 26 – PRATT – RETIREMENT/JUDGES:** Changes the date by which certain judges must have been serving in a court of record to be eligible for early judicial retirement benefits

ISRAEL B. CURTIS  
Vice Chairman

**Committee on Transportation, Highways & Public Works**

Will meet at: 9:00 A.M. Date: June 20, 2000

Location: Committee Room 2

**HB 7 DIEZ – TRANSPORTATION DEPT:** Provides for the qualifications of the assistant secretary for the office of planning and programming

JUBA DIEZ  
Chairman

**Committee on Ways and Means**

Will meet at: 9:00 A.M. Date: June 20, 2000

Location: Committee Room 6

**HB 25 McMANS – TAX/INCOME TAX:** Requires composite individual income tax returns and payments by certain non-corporate entities (Item No. 6)

**HB 27 JOHNS – TAX/SALES & USE:** Extends the tax refund for sales and use taxes paid on the sale, lease, or rental of tangible personal property paid by or under provisions of Medicare to include local taxes

**HB 31 ALARIO – TAX/SALES-USE, ST-EXEMPT:** Makes suspension of exemptions to one percent of the state sales and use tax ineffective on June 30, 2001

BRYANT O. HAMMETT, JR.  
Chairman