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**TWENTY-THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

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

House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, June 5, 2000

The House of Representatives was called to order at 3:00 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	Schneider
Carter, K	Iles	Schwegmann
Carter, R	Jackson, L	Shaw
Cazayoux	Jackson, M	Smith, G.—56th
Clarkson	Johns	Smith, J.D.—50th
Crane	Katz	Smith, J.H.—8th
Crowe	Kennard	Smith, J.R.—30th
Curtis	Kenney	Sneed
Damico	LaFleur	Stelly
Daniel	Lancaster	Strain
Dartez	Landrieu	Thompson
Devillier	LeBlanc	Toomy
Diez	Lucas	Townsend
Doerge	Martiny	Travis
Donelon	McCallum	Triche
Downer	McDonald	Waddell
Dupre	McMains	Walsworth
Durand	Montgomery	Warner
Erdey	Morrell	Welch

Farrar	Morrish	Wilkerson
Faucheux	Murray	Willard
Flavin	Nevers	Windhorst
Frith	Odinet	Winston
Fruge	Perkins	Wooton
Futrell	Pierre	Wright

Total—105

ABSENT

Total—0

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

**Prayer**

Prayer was offered by Bishop Edward O'Donnell.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Rep. Willard 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 4, 2000, was adopted.

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Frith, 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.

**Speaker Pro Tempore Bruneau in the Chair**

**Petitions, Memorials and  
Communications**

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

**Message from the Senate**

**HOUSE BILLS**

June 5, 2000

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has finally passed the following House Bills:

House Bill No. 23  
Returned with amendments.

House Bill No. 49  
Returned with amendments.

House Bill No. 108  
Returned with amendments.

House Bill No. 244  
Returned with amendments.

House Bill No. 246  
Returned with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III  
Secretary of the Senate

**Message from the Senate**  
**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

June 4, 2000

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

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

House Concurrent Resolution No. 51  
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 79  
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 80  
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 81  
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 82  
Returned without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III  
Secretary of the Senate

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

June 4, 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 Nos. 33, 56, 57, and 58.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III  
Secretary of the Senate

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, 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. 33—**  
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To continue and provide with respect to the task force created by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget to study the practices of the departments and agencies of the executive branch of state government concerning contracts with nonprofit organizations.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was ordered passed to its third reading.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 56—**  
BY SENATOR ROMERO

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the National Transportation Safety Board to provide the Louisiana Legislature with a report detailing the causes of the derailment in Eunice, Louisiana of thirty cars of the Union Pacific Railroad Company one hundred and thirteen car train carrying chemicals on May 27, 2000, and any other derailments that potentially jeopardized life or property in Louisiana that have been recently reviewed by the board, and to include in such report any recommendations regarding prevention of future similar accidents.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57—**  
BY SENATOR W. FIELDS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the legislature upon the death of Angela Y. Christian, MD.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 58—**  
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN

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 3, 2000, 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.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Crane, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was ordered passed to its third reading.

**Message from the Senate**

**APPOINTMENT OF**  
**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

June 4, 2000

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, Irons, and Hainkel.

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

### Message from the Senate

#### ADOPTION OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

June 4, 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 the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 117.

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

### Message from the Senate

#### ADOPTION OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

June 4, 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 the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 254.

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

### Message from the Senate

#### DISAGREEMENT TO SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

June 5, 2000

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has refused to concur in the proposed House Amendments to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 32 by Sen. Johnson, and ask the Speaker to appoint a committee to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement.

Respectfully submitted,  
MICHAEL S. BAER, III

Secretary of the Senate

### 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. 48— BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD A RESOLUTION

To welcome representatives of the Adamawa State, Nigeria, to Louisiana and to commend their efforts and initiative to strengthen democratic processes in their country.

Read by title.

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

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 49— BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD A RESOLUTION

To welcome representatives of the Rivers State, Nigeria, to Louisiana and to commend their efforts and initiative to strengthen democratic processes in their country.

Read by title.

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

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 50— BY REPRESENTATIVE QUEZAIRE A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the players and coaches of the Ascension Catholic High School softball team for their perseverance, dedication, and sacrifice which resulted in the attainment of their ultimate goal of winning the state championship for the second year in a row.

Read by title.

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

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 51— BY REPRESENTATIVE QUEZAIRE A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the Ascension Catholic High School golf team on being state runners up in the Class 1A state golf finals at Emerald Hills Country Club in Florien, Louisiana, and to commend Travis Miglicco for placing second in the individual competition of the Class 1A state golf finals.

Read by title.

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

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 83— BY REPRESENTATIVES DANIEL, BAUDOIN, BROOME, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, DEVILLIER, DIEZ, DOWNER, DUPRE, ERDEY, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, GREEN, HEBERT, HILL, ILES, JOHNS, LAFLEUR, McDONALD, MORRISH, NEVERS, PIERRE, PITRE, POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RIDDLE, SCALISE, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, SNEED, STRAIN, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, WINSTON, AND WRIGHT A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the members of the Revenue Estimating Conference and the members of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget recommend that the state treasurer contract to

establish a firm price for anticipated mineral production and to urge and request the Legislature of Louisiana to provide an operating budget appropriation sufficient to cover administrative costs and monies necessary to execute such contracts in the 2000-2001 Fiscal Year's budget.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 84—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DURAND

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To create and provide with respect to a commission to study and develop recommendations for development of sugarcane and sugar-related products and industries.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Durand, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was ordered passed to its third reading.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 85—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To create and provide with respect to a task force to study and make recommendations regarding the safe relinquishment of newborns.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Glover, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was ordered passed to its third reading.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 86—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To commend and congratulate the Evangel Christian Academy football team, its coaches, managers, and trainers for an exceptional season and for winning their fourth consecutive Louisiana State Championship.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**Reports of Committees**

The following reports of committees were received and read:

**Report of the Committee on Ways and Means**

June 5, 2000

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Ways and Means to submit the following report:

Senate Bill No. 81, by Thomas  
Reported with amendments. (13-0-1) (Regular)

Senate Bill No. 85, by Michot  
Reported with amendments. (12-0-1) (Regular)

Senate Bill No. 86, by Campbell  
Reported with amendments. (10-0-1) (Regular)

BRYANT O. HAMMETT, JR.  
Chairman

**SENATE BILL NO. 81—**

BY SENATORS THOMAS, BARHAM, SMITH AND THEUNISSEN

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3095(A)(1) and 3096(E)(3) and to enact R.S. 17:3098(E) and Subpart V of Part I of Chapter 1 of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:120.62, and R.S. 47:293(6)(a)(vi), relative to the Student Tuition Assistance and Revenue Trust Program; to provide that deposits made in education savings accounts as part of such program are exempt from state income taxation up to a certain amount; to increase tuition assistance grant rates at certain levels of adjusted gross income; to specify that the basis for a determination of the tuition assistance grant rates is federal adjusted gross income; to provide for income taxation of amounts converted from such accounts for other than educational purposes; to provide for disposition of certain state income tax refunds; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, referred to the Legislative Bureau.

**SENATE BILL NO. 85—**

BY SENATOR MICHOT

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 51:2452(A), and 2453(1)(b)(i) and (2), and the introductory paragraph of (8), 2454, 2455(E)(3), and 2461(A) and (B), relative to tax credits; to provide relative to requirements for incentive tax credits under the Louisiana Quality Jobs Program; to remove the time limitation on receiving applications for incentive tax credits; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, referred to the Legislative Bureau.

**SENATE BILL NO. 86—**

BY SENATOR CAMPBELL

**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:301(10)(s), (13)(f), (14)(j), and (18)(g), relative to taxation of funeral services; to prohibit state or political subdivision taxation of such services; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, referred to the Legislative Bureau.

**Conference Committee Reports Received**

Conference Committee Reports were received for the following legislative instruments:

**Conference Committee Report**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 117—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, HAMMETT, AND LEBLANC AND

SENATORS HAINKEL, BARHAM, AND DARDENNE

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:841(introductory paragraph) and (E), to enact R.S. 47:841(B)(3) and 842(15), and to repeal R.S. 47:841(E) and (F), relative to the tobacco tax; to increase the tax

on cigarettes; to increase the tax on smokeless tobacco; to provide for the effectiveness of the tax; and to provide for related matters.

### Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. DeWitt, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Conference Committee Reports for Consideration at this time.

### Conference Committee Reports for Consideration

The following Conference Committee Reports were taken up and acted upon as follows:

### Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. DeWitt, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider the conference committee report just received.

### Conference Committee Report

#### House Bill No. 117 By Representative Dewitt, et al.

June 4, 2000

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 117 by Representative Dewitt, et al., recommend the following concerning the reengrossed bill:

1. That Senate Committee Amendments Nos. 6 and 7 proposed by the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and adopted by the Senate on May 30, 2000, be adopted.
2. That Senate Committee Amendments Nos. 1 through 5 and 8 through 10 proposed by the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and adopted by the Senate on May 30, 2000, be rejected.
3. That Senate Floor Amendments Nos. 1 and 3 proposed by Senator Lambert and adopted by the Senate on May 31, 2000, be adopted.
4. That Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 proposed by Senator Lambert and adopted by the Senate on May 31, 2000, be rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Charles DeWitt  
Representative Bryant O. Hammett, Jr.  
Senator Robert Barham  
Senator John Hainkel, Jr.  
Senator Jay Dardenne

Rep. DeWitt moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

### ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

### YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Hebert	Powell
Alario	Hill	Pratt
Alexander, E	Holden	Quezaire
Ansardi	Hudson	Richmond
Baudoin	Hunter	Riddle
Broome	Iles	Salter
Bruce	Jackson, L	Schwegmann
Bruneau	Jackson, M	Shaw
Carter, K	Johns	Smith, G.—56th
Carter, R	Katz	Smith, J.D.—50th
Cazayoux	Kennard	Smith, J.H.—8th
Clarkson	Kenney	Sneed
Crane	LaFleur	Stelly
Curtis	Lancaster	Strain
Damico	Landrieu	Thompson
Dartez	LeBlanc	Toomy
Devillier	Lucas	Townsend
Diez	Martiny	Travis
Doerge	McCallum	Walsworth
Dupre	McDonald	Warner
Durand	McMains	Welch
Farrar	Montgomery	Wilkerson
Frith	Morrish	Willard
Glover	Murray	Winston
Green	Odinet	Wooton
Guillory	Pierre	Wright
Hammett	Pinac	
Heaton	Pitre	
Total—82		

### NAYS

Baylor	Faucheux	Romero
Bowler	Flavin	Scalise
Crowe	Fruge	Schneider
Daniel	Hopkins	Smith, J.R.—30th
Downer	Morrell	Waddell
Erdey	Perkins	
Total—17		

### ABSENT

Alexander, R	Futrell	Triche
Donelon	Nevers	Windhorst
Total—6		

The Conference Committee Report, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, was adopted.

### Suspension of the Rules

On joint motion of Reps. Perkins, John Smith, and Waddell, and under a suspension of the rules, the above roll call was corrected to reflect them as voting nay.

### Conference Committee Reports Received

Conference Committee Reports were received for the following legislative instruments:

### Conference Committee Report

**HOUSE BILL NO. 254—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 29 of the 1996 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 21 of the 1998 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for the effectiveness of the exemption for boiler fuel; and to provide for related matters.

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. McMains, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider the conference committee report just received.

**Conference Committee Report**

**House Bill No. 254 By Representative Daniel**

June 4, 2000

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 254 by Representative Daniel, recommend the following concerning the engrossed bill:

1. That Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 proposed by the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and adopted by the Senate on May 30, 2000, be adopted.
2. That Senate Committee Amendment Nos. 2 through 5 proposed by the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and adopted by the Senate on May 30, 2000, be rejected.
2. That Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 proposed by Senator Barham and adopted by the Senate on May 31, 2000, be rejected.
3. That the following amendments to the engrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 2 through 4 in their entirety and insert the following:

"To enact Chapter 2-C of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:340.1 through 340.4, relative to the sales and use tax; to levy a tax on the sale at retail of alcoholic beverages consumed on the premises; to provide for advance collection of the tax by certain wholesalers; to provide for collection and enforcement of the tax;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 5, delete "effectiveness of the exemption for boiler fuel;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 8 through 18 in their entirety and on page 2, delete lines 1 through 9 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Section 2. Chapter 2-C of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, consisting of R.S. 47:340.1 through 340.4, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

CHAPTER 2-C. TAX ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONSUMED ON PREMISES

§340.1. Tax on retail sales of alcoholic beverages: imposition

Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 26:343 and in addition to the taxes levied in R.S. 26:341 and 342, on and after July 1, 2000, there is hereby levied a tax on the sale at retail of alcoholic beverages consumed on the premises in the amount of five percent of the retail price.

§340.2. Collection of tax; rules and regulations

A. The tax levied by R.S. 47:340.1 shall be collectible from all persons holding a Class A permit pursuant to R.S. 26:71(A)(3)(a) and 71.1 or 271(A)(2) and 271.2.

B.(1) The tax levied by R.S. 47:340.1 shall be due at the same time and shall be collected by the Department of Revenue in the same manner and according to the same procedures as is provided to the department in Chapters 2 and 18 of this Subtitle.

(2) In addition, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, failure by any taxpayer to file the returns required by this Chapter and remit the tax and any interest or penalty due shall be sufficient cause for suspension or revocation of any permit in the manner and according to the procedure provided for in Title 26 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

C. The department shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations as may be necessary for the proper administration of this Chapter, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

D. Collection by wholesalers. (1)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section or any other provision of this Chapter or Title 26 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, every wholesale dealer who sells to anyone for sale at retail alcoholic beverages, the retail sale of which is taxable under this Chapter, shall collect as advance tax a percentage of the price of the wholesale sale of such alcoholic beverage by the wholesale dealer to the retail dealer, such tax to be equal to the rate of the tax levied on such beverages by this Chapter.

(b) "Wholesale dealer" shall be defined as R.S. 26:2(16) and R.S. 26:241(18).

(c) The secretary of the Department of Revenue shall promulgate such regulations as are necessary to carry into force and effect the purpose and intent of this Subsection.

(2) The amount paid by retail dealers to wholesale dealers shall be an advance payment of the tax provided for in this Chapter which the retail dealer is required to collect upon the retail sales he makes, and the advance payment is required only as a means of facilitating collection of this tax. Wholesale dealers who collect advance tax from their purchasers pursuant to the preceding provision shall remit the tax to the secretary in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the secretary.

(3) In making their returns to the secretary, retail dealers who have paid advance tax shall deduct from the total tax collected by them upon the retail sale of the alcoholic beverages the amount of tax paid by them to wholesale dealers during the period reported, provided tax paid invoices evidencing the payment are retained by the retail dealer claiming the refund or credit. If the amount so paid during any

reporting period amounts to more than the tax collected by him for the period reported, the excess so paid shall be allowed as refund or credit against the tax collected by the retail dealer during the succeeding period or periods.

#### §340.3. Definitions

The terms used in this Chapter shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in Chapter 2 of Title 26 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, except in those instances where the context indicates a different meaning. In addition, the retail price of alcoholic beverages consumed on the premises shall include the price of any drink which is sold for the purpose of being mixed with an alcoholic beverage on the premises.

#### §340.4. Timely implementation

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Department of Revenue may do all things necessary in order to provide for the timely implementation of this Chapter.

"Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2000; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2000, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later."

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Bryant O. Hammett, Jr.  
Representative F. Charles McMains, Jr.  
Senator Robert Barham  
Senator Jay Dardenne  
Senator Bill Jones

Rep. McMains moved to recommit the bill to the Conference Committee.

The House agreed to recommit the bill.

### **Conference Committee Reports Received**

Conference Committee Reports were received for the following legislative instruments:

#### **Conference Committee Report**

#### **SENATE BILL NO. 8—**

BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act 22 of the 1998 Regular Session to provide for retroactive effect of the exclusion from state and local sales and use taxes on food items donated to food banks; and to provide for related matters.

The conference committee reports for the legislative instruments above lie over under the rules.

### **Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Hammett, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider House Bills Amended by the Senate to be Concurred in by the House at this time.

### **House Bills Amended by the Senate to be Concurred in by the House**

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

#### **HOUSE BILL NO. 299—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND FAUCHEUX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:293(2), relative to individual income taxes; to limit the deductibility of excess federal itemized deductions; 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. 299 by Representative Hammett

#### AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 2, between "To" and "amend" insert the following:

"enact R.S. 47:112.2 and to"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 2, between "47:293(2)" and the comma "," insert the following:

"and to suspend R.S. 47:297(D)(1) and (2)"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, line 3, between "deductions;" and "and to" insert the following:

"to provide for withholding of taxes on monies paid to nonresident individuals; to suspend the credit for educational expenses incurred for each dependent child attending kindergarten, elementary, or secondary school;"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, line 1, change "December 31, 2000" to "December 31, 1999"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

"Section 2. R.S. 47:112.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§112.2. Withholdings from certain distributions

A. Every partnership making a distribution of monies to a nonresident individual on or after July 1, 2000, shall deduct and withhold, from each such distribution of twenty-five hundred dollars or more in a taxable year, a tax equal to six percent of the total monies distributed in that taxable year.

B. In determining the amount of monies distributed, the partnership shall take into account the nonresident individual's distributive share, whether or not distributed, of the partnership's:

(1) Gains and losses from sales or exchanges of capital assets;

(2) Charitable contributions, as defined in R.S. 47:57;

(3) Other items of income, gain, loss, deduction, or credit, to the extent provided by regulations prescribed by the collector; and

(4) Taxable income or loss, exclusive of items requiring separate computation under other provisions of this Subsection.

C. Character of items constituting distributive share. The character of any item of income, gain, loss, deduction, or credit included in a distributive share under Subsection B(1) through B(3) of this Section shall be determined as if such item were realized directly from the source from which realized by the partnership or incurred in the same manner as incurred by the partnership.

D. In any case where it is necessary to determine the monies distributed to a nonresident individual for purposes of this Chapter, such amount shall include the nonresident's distributive share of the income of the partnership, whether or not such share has been actually distributed.

E. As used in this Section, the term "partnership" shall include entities treated as a partnership for tax purposes.

Section 3. R.S. 47:297(D)(1) and (2) are hereby suspended for all taxable years beginning after December 31, 1999 and prior to January 1, 2001."

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, delete line 8 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 4. The provisions of Sections 1 and 3 of this Act shall become effective for all taxable years"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 9, change "December 31, 2000." to "December 31, 1999."

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 2, below line 9, add the following:

"Section 5. The provisions of Section 2 of this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2000 and shall apply prospectively only and the tax levied shall be applied to distributions made after June 30, 2000.

Section 6. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senator Barham to Engrossed House Bill No. 299 by Representative Hammett

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Delete all Senate Committee Amendments proposed by the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and adopted by the Senate on March 30, 2000.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" change "R.S. 47:293(2)" to the following:

"R.S. 47:297(D)(3) and to enact R.S. 47:6006"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 2, after "relative to" insert "corporation and"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete line 3, and insert:

"make the credit for certain educational expenses incurred for each dependent child inapplicable, inoperable, and of no effect for a certain period; to reduce tax credits for certain inventories; and to"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

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

"47:297(D)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 47:6006 is hereby enacted to read as"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, delete lines 8 through 16 and on page 2, delete lines 1 through 9 and insert the following:

"§297. Reduction to tax due

\* \* \*

D. In addition to any other credits against the tax payable on net income which the law allows to an individual taxpayer, the taxpayer shall be entitled to the tax credit against the tax payable on net income provided for as follows:

\* \* \*

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, including but not limited to any contrary provisions of this Section, for the period ~~July 1, 1990 through June 30, 1996~~ **tax years beginning on and after January 1, 2000 and prior to January 1, 2002**, the tax credit provided pursuant to the provisions of this Subsection shall be inapplicable, inoperable, and of no effect.

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§6006. Tax credits for local inventory taxes paid

\* \* \*

D. The credit provided in this Section shall be allowed as follows:

\* \* \*

(6) For inventory taxes paid to political subdivisions after December 31, 1999, the credit shall be fifty percent of such taxes paid.

\* \* \*

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by



the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

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	Schneider
Carter, K	Iles	Schwegmann
Carter, R	Jackson, L	Shaw
Cazayoux	Jackson, M	Smith, G.—56th
Clarkson	Johns	Smith, J.D.—50th
Crane	Katz	Smith, J.H.—8th
Crowe	Kennard	Smith, J.R.—30th
Curtis	Kenney	Sneed
Damico	LaFleur	Stelly
Daniel	Lancaster	Strain
Dartez	Landrieu	Thompson
Devillier	LeBlanc	Toomy
Diez	Lucas	Townsend
Doerge	Martiny	Travis
Donelon	McCallum	Triche
Downer	McDonald	Waddell
Dupre	McMains	Walsworth
Durand	Montgomery	Warner
Erdey	Morrell	Welch
Farrar	Morrish	Wilkerson
Faucheux	Murray	Willard
Flavin	Nevers	Winston
Frith	Odinet	Wooton
Fruge	Perkins	Wright
Futrell	Pierre	

Total—104

**NAYS**

Total—0

**ABSENT**

Windhorst  
Total—1

The amendments proposed by the Senate were rejected.

Conference committee appointment pending.

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Clarkson, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider 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 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 70—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES CLARKSON, FLAVIN, JOHNS, MURRAY, AND PRATT

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To create a task force to further review the child support guidelines and the findings and recommendations reported by the Department of Social Services and the Louisiana District Attorneys Association.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Murray to Engrossed House Resolution No. 70 by Representative Clarkson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, after line 28, insert the following:

"(14) The chairman of the Louisiana Chapter of American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers or his designee.

(15) The chairman of the New Orleans Chapter of Louis A. Martinette Society or his designee."

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

Rep. Clarkson moved the adoption of the resolution, as amended.

By a vote of 99 yeas and 0 nays, the resolution, as amended, 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. 5—**  
BY SENATORS MOUNT, B. JONES AND SCHEDLER

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To create the Louisiana Commission on Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Teams to study the multidisciplinary team approach to the handling of cases of child abuse and neglect as well as cases involving suspected child maltreatment related fatalities and to develop recommendations for improving the investigation, prosecution, and assessments of these cases.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Murray to Engrossed Senate Resolution No. 5 by Senator Mount

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

"(27) The chairman of the Louisiana Chapter of American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers or his designee.

(28) The chairman of the New Orleans Chapter of Louis A. Martinette Society or his designee."

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

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

By a vote of 105 yeas and 0 nays, the resolution, as amended, was concurred in.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—**  
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge and request the governor, in the event that a special session is called to address issues important to state government, that he include in the proclamation stating the objects of such session bills which will provide a means to deal with budget deficits by reducing or re-allocating appropriations in a fair and expeditious manner, including a bill to authorize the reduction of any appropriation or allocation required by the Constitution of Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Alario to Engrossed Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 22 by Senator Schedler

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, at the end of line 9, change the period "." to a semicolon ";" and insert "and"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

"WHEREAS, education should remain a top funding priority for the state."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the legislature and the governor make education a top funding priority for the state."

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

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Schneider, the resolution, as amended, was returned to the calendar.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 30—**  
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To recognize social anxiety disease as a treatable psychiatric disorder which affects many Louisianians and to applaud all psychological and pharmacologic interventions designed to treat social anxiety disease.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Schneider, the resolution was returned to the calendar.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53—**  
BY SENATORS SCHEDLER, THOMAS, C. FIELDS, W. FIELDS, DARDENNE, AND LAMBERT

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To approve the reduction of health care services provided at the current physical facilities of Washington-St. Tammany Regional Medical Center and Earl K. Long Medical Center in a manner that causes annual expenditures of each facility to be reduced by ten percent or more provided that such reductions do not cause the combined annual expenditures for each medical center to be reduced by ten percent or more.

Read by title.

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

**Speaker DeWitt in the Chair**

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—**  
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge and request the governor, in the event that a special session is called to address issues important to state government, that he include in the proclamation stating the objects of such session bills which will provide a means to deal with budget deficits by reducing or re-allocating appropriations in a fair and expeditious manner, including a bill to authorize the reduction of any appropriation or allocation required by the Constitution of Louisiana.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Daniel to Engrossed Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 22 by Senator Schedler

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 8, delete the period "." and insert "and to urge and request the members of the Revenue Estimating Conference and the members of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget recommend that the state treasurer contract to establish a firm price for anticipated mineral production and to urge and request the Legislature of Louisiana to provide an operating budget appropriation sufficient to cover administrative costs and monies necessary to execute such contracts in the 2000-2001 Fiscal Year's budget."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

"WHEREAS, mineral revenues derived from severance taxes and royalties have been very volatile over the last two decades due to geopolitical and global market or demand conditions that are outside the control of the United States and the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, just within the last two fiscal years such fluctuations have been common, for example during the 1998-1999 Fiscal Year, the state appropriated monies based on oil selling at fifteen dollars per barrel, but because of precipitous market drops, the revenue estimates had to be revised downward to twelve dollars per barrel by midyear; and

WHEREAS, one way to reduce the risk associated with a volatile revenue source is to enter into commodity or other swap agreements, forward payment conversion agreements, futures contracts, contracts to exchange cash flows or a series of payments or contracts, and other similar contracts, hereinafter referred to as mineral revenue contracts, which if prudently acquired can prevent the shock of state appropriations being supported by mineral revenues which may sharply fall during the course of a fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, over the course of a fiscal year, if the state can execute reasonable mineral revenue contracts, monies available for appropriation could more accurately reflect average annual receipts."

#### AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

" BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana urges and requests the members of the Revenue Estimating Conference and the members of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget recommend that the state treasurer contract to establish a firm price for anticipated mineral production through the use of mineral revenue contracts and to urge and request the Legislature of Louisiana to provide an operating budget appropriation sufficient to cover administrative costs and monies necessary to execute such contracts in the 2000-2001 Fiscal Year's budget."

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

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

### **House Concurrent Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments**

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

#### **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 39—** BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHNEIDER, BRUNEAU, FUTRELL, LANCASTER, PITRE, SCALISE, SNEED, AND WADDELL

##### **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To direct appointing authorities in the executive branch of state government to take no action to provide for the permanent appointment of any probationary employee who holds a position funded in whole or in part by funds from the State General Fund (Direct) or by other funds the balance of which reverts to the State General Fund (Direct); to require separation of employees on job appointments so funded not later than the conclusion of their current appointments; to provide for exceptions and for procedures therefor; and to provide for certain reports.

Read by title.

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

#### **SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Engrossed House Concurrent Resolution No. 39 by Representative Schneider

#### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, change "direct" to "urge and request"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 6, change "require" to "request"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 5, change "direct" to "request" and delete "shall"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 12, change "direct" to "request" and delete "shall"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 20, change "shall" to "is requested to"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, line 19, change "required" to "requested"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 4, line 24, change "direct" to "request" and change "may move" to "who moves"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 4, line 25, change "eleven" to nine"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 4, line 26, change "but only" to "do so"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 5, line 5, change "directed" to "requested"

On motion of Rep. Schneider, the amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in.

### **Suspension of the Rules**

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

### **Petitions, Memorials and Communications**

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

### **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 Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 32: Reps. Murray, Richmond, and Alario.

**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. 299: Reps. Hammett, DeWitt, and Hunter.

**Message from the Senate**

**HOUSE BILLS**

June 5, 2000

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has finally passed the following House Bills:

House Bill No. 1  
Returned with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III  
Secretary of the Senate

**Message from the Senate**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

June 5, 2000

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 Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 32: Senators Bajoie, Johnson, and C. D. Jones.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III  
Secretary of the Senate

**Message from the Senate**

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN  
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

June 5, 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. 60

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III

Secretary of the Senate

**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. 52—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE QUEZAIRE

**A RESOLUTION**

To commend and congratulate Tara Poche for her many accomplishments during the 1999-2000 gymnastics season, including winning state champion in balance beam and state runner-up in the all around in Class 1A.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 53—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE QUEZAIRE

**A RESOLUTION**

To commend and congratulate Michael McKinney, a senior at Donaldsonville High School, for winning the Class 3A state title in the high jump competition in May, 2000.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 54—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLDEN

**A RESOLUTION**

To urge and request that the Board of Regents, in development of its capital outlay recommendations, consider the impact on other higher education institutions caused by changes in admissions requirements at Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 87—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES ERDEY, KENNARD, MCMAINS, PERKINS, POWELL, AND TRAVIS AND SENATORS FONTENOT AND LAMBERT

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To commend Lucius Patterson for a remarkable career of service upon his retirement as Clerk of Court of Livingston Parish.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 88—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To commend Randi Michelle Schamerhorn of Simpson for her exemplary character, to recognize and record her myriad accomplishments, and to express the sincere gratitude of the legislature for all she has done for her community and state.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 89—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WELCH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the tribute of the Legislature of Louisiana to Dr. Carolyn Hargrave upon her retirement as Deputy Commissioner for Academic Affairs of the Louisiana Board of Regents and to commend her for her truly distinguished career and her significant contributions to higher education in Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment**

June 5, 2000

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. 46—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Keina Tonice Duncan of New Orleans for being a state finalist in the American Coed Teen Pageant.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 47—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DURAND

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the membership of the Conference Committee meeting on the General Appropriation Bill (House Bill No. 1) of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature to give funding of Medicaid provider payments requested by the Care Coalition, including appropriations affecting hospitals, nursing homes, prescription drugs, physicians, and certified ambulance transportation services, and funding of local law enforcement needs, such as housing of state inmates and supplemental pay to policemen, firemen, and deputy sheriffs, the highest priority in the budget deliberations.

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 5, 2000

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. 29—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the licensed racing associations in this state and the Louisiana State Racing Commission to take such actions as may be necessary to allow the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (HBPA) to fully and freely examine and audit those books, financial and accounting records, and any other records of the racing associations which pertain to the distribution of monies to horsemen as required by law in order to ensure that horsemen are receiving all monies due them pursuant to state law, including but not limited to those monies related to purses derived from deductions on certain wagering pools, funds for hospital and medical benefits for racing permittees, purse supplements from commissions on wagers made at offtrack wagering facilities, purse supplements from slot machine gaming proceeds, breeder awards, and any other purses and purse supplements.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 43—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES PIERRE, BAUDOIN, DANIEL, DURAND, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, FRUGE, HILL, HOPKINS, MCMAINS, MONTGOMERY, ODINET, PIERRE, PINAC, SCHNEIDER, JACK SMITH, JOHN SMITH, TOWNSEND, WADDELL, WARNER, WINSTON, AND WOOTON AND SENATORS BEAN, DEAN, FONTENOT, GAUTREAU, HOYT, MALONE, MICHOT, THEUNISSEN, AND THOMAS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express support for the plans by the Mineral Management Service (MMS) to proceed with Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lease Sale 181 for the Eastern Gulf of Mexico which is scheduled for December 5, 2001.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 44—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACK SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To direct the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice to accredit the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Basic Law Enforcement Training Academy as a P.O.S.T.-certified training academy.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES POWELL AND MCMAINS AND SENATOR SCHEDLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request that the State Employees Group Benefits Program Board of Trustees adopt actuarially certified premium rates for the operation of the group life and health benefits program sponsored by the state of Louisiana.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 68—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC AND SENATOR DARDENNE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance to meet and to function as a joint committee to study and make recommendations with respect to the impact prescription drug pricing has on the state Medicaid program.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 74—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES STRAIN, HOLDEN, AND WILKERSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to commission the National Institutes of Health to assemble an autism working group to update its 1997 research report (NIH Publication No. 97-4023) on the causes, diagnosis, and treatment of autism in order to further understand the science of autism and its causes, diagnosis, and treatment.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 75—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES STRAIN, HOLDEN, AND WILKERSON  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals to assemble and coordinate an ongoing autism working group to be composed of representatives from the public and private universities, medical schools, and research institutes of the state of Louisiana to study the causes, diagnosis, and treatment of autism and to collaborate on autism research, and to report the initial findings of the working group and recommendations to the House and Senate Committees on Health and Welfare prior to the convening of the 2001 Regular Session and prior to each regular legislative session thereafter.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 79—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILKERSON  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the Grambling State University mens track team and their coaches, managers, and trainers for a great season and for winning the school's first-ever outdoor championship in the Southwestern Athletic Conference

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 80—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE STELLY AND SENATOR MOUNT  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the city of Lake Charles to issue a request for proposals for development of the site on the Lakefront in the city of Lake Charles presently occupied by offices of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

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.

**Adjournment**

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 4:45 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, June 6, 2000, at 3:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 3:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 6, 2000.

ALFRED W. SPEER  
Clerk of the House