The House of Representatives was called to order at 12:00 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      Perkins
Alario          Green        Pierre
Alexander, E   Guilory      Pinac
Alexander, R   Hammett      Pitre
Ansardi         Heaton       Pratt
Baldone         Hebert       Quezaire
Baudoin         Hill         Richmond
Beard           Honey        Riddle
Bowler          Hopkins      Romero
Broome          Hudson       Salter
Bruce           Hunter       Scalise
Bruneau         Hutter       Schneider
Capella         Iles         Schwegmann
Carter, K      Jackson, L   Shaw
Carter, R      Jackson, M   Smith, G.—56th
Cazayoux       Johns        Smith, J.D.—50th
Crowe           Katz        Smith, J.H.—8th
Curtis          Kennard     Smith, J.R.—30th
Damico         Kenney       Sneed
Daniel          LaFleur      Stelly
Dartez          Lancaster    Strain
Devillier       Landrieu    Swilling
Diez            LeBlanc     Thompson
Doerge          Lucas       Tommy
Downer          Martin       Townsend
Durand          McCallum    Triche
Erdey           McDonald    Tucker
Farrar          McVea       Waddell
Faucheux       Montgomery    Walsworth
Flavin          Morrell     Welch
Frith           Morrish     Winston

ABSENT

Baylor         Crane    Powell

The Speaker announced that there were 101 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Dr. Chuck Pourciau

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Motion

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Governor that the House is convened and prepared to transact business: Reps. Robby Carter, Strain, Murray, Hunter, and Hill.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Senate that the House is convened and prepared to transact business: Reps. Iles, Durand, Katz, Pratt, and Broome.

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:

April 17, 2002

Speaker of the House
Louisiana House of Representatives
P.O. Box 94062
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have been elected to District C Council seat for the City Council of New Orleans. I will take the oath of office for that new position at noon on May 6th.
I hereby tender my resignation as the representative of District 102 in the Louisiana House of Representatives effective 11:50 a.m., April 29, 2002.

It is with great mixed emotion that I submit this resignation. I will miss the high level of performance of this legislature, the superb professionalism of the House staff; but most importantly, the very special friendships that I have been privileged to share with all of the above.

However, it is with much excitement and humanity that the Clarkson Campaign accepts the honor and challenge to lead District C in this renaissance of New Orleans.

Sincerely yours,

Jacquelyn Brechtel Clarkson

Thus Done and Signed in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on this 29th day of April, 2002

Alfred W. Speer, Clerk

Message from The Secretary of State

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

State of Louisiana
SECRETARY OF STATE
April 29, 2002

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

I have the honor to submit to you the name of Jeff Arnold, who has been duly elected to fill the vacancy occurring in your honorable body since the last Session of the Legislature, caused by the resignation of Rep. Jacquelyn Brechtel Clarkson.

Jeff Arnold has been officially proclaimed duly and legally elected as Representative from the 102nd Representative District of the State of Louisiana.

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 following candidate, having run in the election held on April 6, 2002 is declared elected by the people to the office set opposite his name for an unexpired term:

State Representative Jeff Arnold, Representative of District 102.

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 29th day of April, 2002.

FOX McKEITHEN
Secretary of State

Oath of Office

Jeff Arnold presented himself before the bar of the House and took the following oath:

"I, Jeff Arnold, do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution and laws of the United States and the constitution and laws of this state and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a member of the House of Representatives according to the best of my ability and understanding, so help me God".

Message from the Senate

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

April 29, 2002

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 at this time.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

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, House and House Concurrent

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize May 8, 2002, as State Employee Recognition Day.

Read by title.
On motion of Rep. Bruneau, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE RIDDLE**
**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To recognize the Avoyel-Taensa Tribe/Nation of Louisiana as an Indian tribe of Louisiana.

Read by title.

Lies under the rules.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE AND SENATOR SCHEDLER**
**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To commend Hannah D. Rucker of Mandeville High School upon being named Louisiana's Advisor of the Year by the National Association of Student Councils.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY**
**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To commend the Honorable Marc H. Morial, mayor of the city of New Orleans, as he prepares to leave office, and to welcome him to the Legislature of Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE HUTTER**
**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To recognize May 8, 2002, as Delgado Day at the Louisiana Legislature.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 4—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO**
**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:601(E) and to repeal Chapter 5 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:601 through 618, relative to the corporation franchise tax; to phase in a reduction and repeal of the tax; 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. 5—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO**
**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:302(Q), 321(H), and 331(O) and (P), relative to the state sales and use tax; to provide relative to the effectiveness of certain exemptions to the tax; 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. 6—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE PERKINS**
**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:601(E) and to repeal Chapter 5 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:601 through 618, relative to the corporation franchise tax; to phase in a reduction and repeal of the tax; 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. 7—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE HEATON**
**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact Sections 6 and 7 of Act No. 43 of the 1884 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, as amended by Act No. 606 of the 1982 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, and to repeal Section 5 of said Act No. 43, relative to a contract between Tulane University and the state, including provisions to remove certain tax exemptions granted to Tulane University 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. 8—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE**
**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:601(E) and to repeal Chapter 5 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:601 through 618, relative to the corporation franchise tax; to phase in a reduction and repeal of the tax; 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. 9—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE GUILLORY**

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 18(G)(1)(a)(ii) and (iii) and (2)(a) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to provide that persons qualifying for the special assessment level for certain persons aged sixty-five and older shall apply for such assessment every five years; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 10—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE RIDDLE**

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:305.52, relative to sales and use tax exemptions; to provide for an exemption for the sale of certain types of tangible personal property for a limited period of time each year; 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. 11—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX**

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:297(M), relative to individual income tax credits; to authorize a credit for long-term nursing home care insurance premiums paid by individuals; 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. 12—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT**

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 7 of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the imposition of the occupational license tax on utilities selling electricity or gas in more than one municipality; to extend the applicability of the law; 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. 13—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE GUILLORY**

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1712, relative to the ad valorem tax; to provide that persons qualifying for the special assessment level for certain persons aged sixty-five and older may apply for the special assessment level every five years instead of annually; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 14—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUNEAU**

AN ACT

To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana for Fiscal Year 2001-2002 to the Department of Social Services, office of community services, to provide for reimbursement of legal expenses of E. Patrice Waldrop.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 15—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX**

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article VII, Section 2.2 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to a limitation on the sales and use tax; to provide that food for home consumption, natural gas, electricity, water, and certain drugs shall be exempt from state sales and use taxes; to provide for submission of the amendment to the electors; 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. 16—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX**

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:297(M), relative to individual income tax credits; to authorize a credit for individual or family health and accident insurance premiums; 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. 17—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX**

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:297(D)(2), relative to the individual income tax; to increase the credit for educational expenses; 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. 18—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE STELLY**

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:293(7) and to repeal R.S. 47:293(2) and (6)(a)(i), relative to individual income taxes; to delete the deductibility of excess federal itemized deductions; 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 Ways and Means.
HOUSE BILL NO. 19—
BY REPRESENTATIVE STELLY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:44.1(A), relative to the individual income tax; to increase the exemption for private retirement income; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 20—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PERKINS
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:619, relative to tax credits; to provide for a corporation franchise tax credit for certain contributions to a nonprofit scholarship funding organization or public school; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 21—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PERKINS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(C) and 287.12 and to repeal R.S. 47:31(3), 32(C), 102, 103(A)(1), 120, 120.1, and 120.2, Subpart A of Part II of Chapter 1 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:121, and Part II-A of Chapter 1 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:287.2 through 287.785, relative to the corporation income tax; to phase in a reduction and repeal of the tax; 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. 22—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:2101(B)(1), relative to the ad valorem tax; to authorize local ad valorem tax collectors to round the total amount of ad valorem tax due to the nearest dollar; 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. 23—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 20(A)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to increase the homestead exemption in accordance with the increase in the Consumer Price Index; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 24—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 20(A)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to increase the homestead exemption; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 25—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:305.52, relative to sales and use tax exemptions; to provide for an exemption for the sale of certain types of tangible personal property for a limited period of time each year; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 26—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:302(P), 321(G), and 331(N), relative to the sales and use tax; to extend the effectiveness of the exemption for purchases of utilities used by certain steelworks and blast furnaces; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 27—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:302(P), 321(G), and 331(N), relative to the sales and use tax; to extend the effectiveness of the exemption for purchases of utilities used by certain steelworks and blast furnaces; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 28—
BY REPRESENTATIVE STELLY
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 20(A)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to increase the homestead exemption; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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 Ways and Means.
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**HOUSE BILL NO. 29—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE PERKINS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(C) and 287.12 and to repeal R.S. 47:31(3), 32(C), 102, 103(A)(1), 120, 120.1, 120.2, Subpart A of Part II of Chapter I of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:121, and Part II-A of Chapter I of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:287.2 through 287.785, relative to the corporation income tax; to phase in a reduction of the tax under certain circumstances; to repeal the tax; 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. 30—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 21(F) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to ad valorem property tax exemptions; to provide for tax exemption contracts for certain new establishments or additions to existing establishments for software development companies; to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors; and to provide a ballot proposition.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 31—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE STELLY
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 4(A) and to add Article VII, Section 2.2 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the limitations on the power of taxation; to provide for the limitation of the rates and brackets for the individual income tax; to prohibit the imposition of state sales and use tax on certain items; to provide for the submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 32—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE STELLY
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 4(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the income tax; to provide for the limitation of the rates and brackets for the individual income tax; to provide for the submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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. 33—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE MARTINY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 895.4, relative to crime stoppers organizations; to provide for an additional cost of court to be imposed on offenders convicted of criminal and traffic violations; to provide for the payment of the funds derived from the additional cost of court to crime stopper organizations; to provide for the use of those funds; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 34—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:305.52, relative to sales and use tax exemptions; to provide for an exemption for the sale of certain types of tangible personal property for a limited period of time each year; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 35—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE STELLY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(A), 112(A), 287.445(C), 293(6)(a)(iv) and (7), 295, and 1623(D) and to repeal R.S. 47:112(B) and (C) and 296, relative to the individual income tax; to revise the tax brackets; to authorize the secretary of the Department of Revenue to promulgate income tax and withholding tax tables; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 36—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE STELLY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(A), 112(A), 287.445(C), 293(6)(a)(iv) and (7), 295, and 1623(D) and to repeal R.S. 47:112(B) and (C) and 296, relative to the individual income tax; to revise the tax brackets; to authorize the secretary of the Department of Revenue to promulgate income tax and withholding tax tables; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 37—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE TUCKER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:297(M), relative to the individual income tax; to provide for an earned income tax credit; to provide for the taxable periods to which the credit applies; 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. 38**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VI, Section 29(D) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to sales and use taxes; to provide for certain voting requirements for enacting certain tax exemptions or exclusions from sales and use taxes; to provide for the submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 39**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 4(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the income tax; to provide for the limitation of the rates and brackets for the individual income tax; to provide for the submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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. 40**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305.50(A)(1)(a) and Section 2 of Act No. 8 of the 1996 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 41 of the 1998 Regular Session of the Legislature and as amended by Act No. 27 of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the sales and use tax; to extend the time limitation for the exemption for certain buses, trucks, and trailers used in interstate commerce; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 41**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article VII, Section 2.2 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to a limitation on the sales and use tax; to provide that food for home consumption, natural gas, electricity, water, and certain drugs shall be exempt from state sales and use taxes; to provide for submission of the amendment to the electors; 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. 42**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

An ACT

To enact R.S. 47:6015, relative to tax credits; to provide for a credit from corporation franchise tax, corporation income tax, or individual income tax for certain contributions to a nonprofit educational assistance organization; to provide for definitions; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 43**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:293(3), relative to the individual income tax, to increase the federal income tax deduction from state income taxes in order to offset the increased state income tax liability resulting from reduced federal income tax rates; to provide for the purpose of such increase; to provide for the applicability of the increase; 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. 44**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:6015, relative to tax credits; to provide for a credit from corporation franchise tax, corporation income tax, or individual income tax for certain contributions to a nonprofit educational assistance organization; to provide for definitions; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 45**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article VII, Section 2.2 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to a limitation on the sales and use tax; to provide that food for home consumption, natural gas, electricity, water, and certain drugs shall be exempt from state sales and use taxes; to provide for submission of the amendment to the electors; 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. 46**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:302(Q), 321(H), and 331(O) and (P), relative to the state sales and use tax; to provide relative to the effectiveness of certain exemptions to the tax; 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. 47—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6005(C)(1), relative to the tax credit for purchases of qualified recycling equipment; to allow purchases of such equipment made on or after July 1, 2002 and on or before June 30, 2004 to qualify for the credit; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 48—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:293(6)(a)(vii) and 297.3, relative to the individual income tax; to provide for a deduction for certain classroom teachers and principals; to provide for certification of classroom teacher and principal status and income; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 49—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUNEAU
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 4:67(A), relative to boxing and wrestling; to increase the maximum amount of tax proceeds which can be collected by the State Boxing and Wrestling Commission per contest or exhibition; 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. 50—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DOWNER
AN ACT
To repeal Chapter 5 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:601 through 618, to repeal the corporation franchise tax; and to provide for an effective date.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 51—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DOWNER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:601, 602, 604, and 606(A)(introductory paragraph) and (C) and to repeal R.S. 47:603, relative to the corporation franchise tax; to provide that borrowed capital shall not be included in the levy of the tax; 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 Ways and Means.
HOUSE BILL NO. 57—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:715.1, relative to special fuels taxes; to increase the refund allowable for contract school bus drivers using special fuels; to allow the use of non-taxable dyed special fuels in such buses; 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. 58—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 18(G)(1)(a) and (2)(a) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to provide that persons qualifying for the special assessment level for certain persons aged sixty-five and older shall not be required to reapply and requalify annually; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 59—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1712, relative to the ad valorem tax; to provide that persons qualifying for the special assessment level for certain persons aged sixty-five and older shall not be required to reaply and requalify annually; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 60—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HUTTER
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 4(D) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to increase the maximum amount of the severance tax on certain natural resources which is remitted to parish governing authorities; to provide an effective date; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 61—
BY REPRESENTATIVE M. JACKSON
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 20(A)(1) and to add Article VII, Section 20(A)(4) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to provide that in the parish of East Baton Rouge, the homestead exemption shall be five thousand dollars of assessed valuation when applied to certain parish, school district, law enforcement district, and special district ad valorem taxes; to require the parish school board to use the additional revenue generated as a result of the applications of this reduced homestead exemption for specific educational purposes; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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. 62—
BY REPRESENTATIVE M. JACKSON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 33:3031(A)(1)(a)(ii)(cc) and (C)(3) and to repeal R.S. 33:3031(D) and (E), relative to a mid-city enducement zone in East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to rebates of and exemptions from taxes for concerns located or to be located in the zone, including provisions for criteria for the granting of a contract therefor, for including state taxes in the authority for granting such rebates and exemptions, and for removing requirements for certain approval of such contracts; to provide for zone boundaries; 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. 63—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MORRELL
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:297(M), relative to the individual income tax; to provide for an earned income tax credit; to provide for the taxable periods to which the credit applies; 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. 64—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MORRELL
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:297(M), relative to the individual income tax; to provide for an earned income tax credit; to provide for the taxable periods to which the credit applies; 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. 65—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MORRELL
AN ACT
To enact Chapter 15 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:1251 through 1254, relative to the taxation of certain securities; to provide for the levy, collection, and administration of a tax on the sale of such securities; 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 Ways and Means.
HOUSE BILL NO. 66—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH
AN ACT
To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana to be used to pay the final judgment in the claim against the state entitled "Trunkline Gas Company v. Cynthia Bridges, Secretary of Department of Revenue, State of Louisiana"; 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. 67—
BY REPRESENTATIVE STRAIN
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:841(B)(4) and 870, relative to the tobacco tax; to increase the tax on cigarettes; to provide for use of the avails of such increase; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 68—
BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to add Article VII, Section 21(J) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to exemptions from ad valorem taxation; to authorize the State Board of Commerce and Industry to contract with developers of retirement communities and certain nursing facility operators for the exemption of ad valorem taxes; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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. 69—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:293(7) and to enact R.S. 47:293(6)(f), relative to the state individual income tax; to exclude a proportionate share of federal net capital gains from tax table income; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 70—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DIEZ
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Sections 5 and 27(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to levy an additional motor vehicle license tax for certain types of automobiles; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 71—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to add Article VII, Section 21(J) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to exemptions from ad valorem taxation; to authorize the State Board of Commerce and Industry to contract with developers of retirement communities and certain nursing facility operators for the exemption of ad valorem taxes; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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. 72—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEATON
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VIII, Section 14 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to provide for removing certain tax exemptions for Tulane University.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 73—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FARRAR
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:305.25(C), relative to exclusions and exemptions from sales and use taxes for farm equipment; to authorize the parish school board, the governing authority of any municipality, and the governing authority of the parish within any parish having a population of more than one hundred twenty thousand persons but less than one hundred forty thousand persons to grant an exemption from sales and use taxes for farm equipment; 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. 74—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GALLOT
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 4(D) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to increase the maximum amount of the severance tax on certain natural resources which is remitted to parish governing authorities; to provide an effective date; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 75—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 4(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the power of the state to levy taxes; to provide for the limitation of the rates and brackets for the individual income tax; to provide for the submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; 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. 76—**

**BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE**

**A JOINT RESOLUTION**

Proposing to add Article VII, Section 2.2 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to a limitation on the sales and use tax; to provide that food for home consumption and purchases of natural gas, electricity, prescription drugs, and water shall be exempt from two percent of the state sales and use tax; to provide for submission of the amendment to the electors; 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 Ways and Means.

**Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions**

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 77—**

**BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT**

**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:305.52, relative to sales and use tax exemptions; to provide for an exemption for the sale of certain types of tangible personal property for a limited period of time each year; 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. 78—**

**BY REPRESENTATIVE CAZAYOUX**

**AN ACT**

To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana to be used to pay the recommendation for payment rendered by the Board of Tax Appeals in the claim against the state entitled “Cayuse Pipeline, Inc. v. Secretary, Department of Revenue, State of Louisiana”; 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. 79—**

**BY REPRESENTATIVE SHAW**

**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:297.3, relative to the individual income tax; to provide for a tax credit against such tax for contributions to a school tuition organization; to provide for definitions; to provide for the taxable periods in which the credit may be taken; 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. 80—**

**BY REPRESENTATIVES DANIEL, E. ALEXANDER, BALDONE, BEARD, BOWLER, CAPELLA, CRANE, CROWE, DAMICO, DARTEZ, DIEZ, DOWNER, DURAND, ERDEY, FAUCHEUX, FLAVIN, FRITH, FRUGE, FUTRELL, HIBERT, HUDSON, HUTTER, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNARD, LANCASTER, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MORRISH, NEVERS, PERKINS, PIERRE, PITRE, POWELL, SCALISE, SHAW, JANE SMITH, SNEED, STELLY, STRAIN, TOOMY, TUCKER, WADDELL, AND WALSWORTH AND SENATORS BARHAM, BEAN, CAIN, DEAN, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FONTENOT, GAUTREAUX, HOLLIS, HOYT, MALONE, MICHOT, MOUNT, SCHIDLER, SMITH, THEUNISSEN, AND THOMAS**

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:601, 602, 603, 604, and 606(A)(introductory paragraph) and (C) and to repeal R.S. 47:603, relative to the corporation franchise tax; to provide that borrowed capital shall not be included in the levy of the tax after a certain time; 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. 81—**

**BY REPRESENTATIVES DANIEL, E. ALEXANDER, BALDONE, BEARD, BOWLER, CAPELLA, CRANE, CROWE, DAMICO, DARTEZ, DIEZ, DOWNER, DURAND, ERDEY, FAUCHEUX, FLAVIN, FRITH, FRUGE, FUTRELL, HIBERT, HUDSON, HUTTER, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNARD, LANCASTER, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MORRISH, NEVERS, PERKINS, PIERRE, PITRE, POWELL, SCALISE, SHAW, JANE SMITH, SNEED, STELLY, STRAIN, TOOMY, TUCKER, WADDELL, AND WALSWORTH AND SENATORS BARHAM, BEAN, CAIN, DEAN, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FONTENOT, GAUTREAUX, HOLLIS, HOYT, MALONE, MICHOT, MOUNT, SCHIDLER, SMITH, THEUNISSEN, AND STÉLIA**

**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:301(3)(h) and (13)(g), relative to sales and use tax of the state and statewide political subdivisions; to provide for the reduction by way of a definitional exclusion of the sales and cost price of machinery and equipment used in a trade or business; 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. 82—**

**BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL**

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(16)(g)(iv), relative to the sales and use tax; to extend the definition of tangible personal property as it applies to excluding certain transactions relating to manufactured homes to all tax authorities in the state; to provide for the taxable periods in which the credit may be taken; to provide for a tax credit against such tax for contributions to a school tuition organization; to provide for definitions; to provide for the taxable periods in which the credit may be taken; 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. 83—**

**BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC**

**AN ACT**

To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana to be used to pay the recommendation for payment rendered by the Board of Tax Appeals in the claim against the state entitled “Western Auto Supply Company v. Secretary, Department of Revenue, State of Louisiana”; 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. 84—
BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON
AN ACT
To enact Chapter 5 of Subtitle V of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:4351 through 4356, relative to property taxation; to authorize the Board of Commerce and Industry to enter into ad valorem tax exemption contracts for development of retirement communities; to provide for contract terms and conditions; 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. 85—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HUTTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1205(A), relative to the gift tax; to provide an increase in the annual exclusion; 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. 86—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HUTTER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:301(16)(h), relative to the state sales and use tax; to exclude certain food from the definition of tangible personal property; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 87—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEATON
By motion, Rule 7.2(E) was suspended to allow the above bill to be introduced at a later date.

HOUSE BILL NO. 88—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JACK SMITH
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:301(8)(f), relative to the state sales and use tax; to provide for the exclusion of purchases by certain certificated public school classroom teachers; to provide for the use of annual exclusion certificates to administer the exclusion; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 89—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JACK SMITH
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:44.3, relative to the individual income tax; to exempt certain income of certain public school classroom teachers from taxation; to provide for certification of classroom teacher status and income; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 90—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCALISE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2453(1)(a)(i)(cc) and 2457(A)(2)(d)(i), relative to the quality jobs rebate program; to reduce the employer-paid health care insurance premium requirement for full-time employees; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 91—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUNEAU
AN ACT
To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana to be used to pay the final judgment in the claim against the state entitled "Lafourche Realty Company, Inc. v. Secretary, Department of Revenue, State of Louisiana"; 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. 92—
BY REPRESENTATIVES THOMPSON, FUTRELL, HOPKINS, KENNEY, AND SALTER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:305.52, relative to state and local sales and use tax exemptions; to provide for the sale of certain types of tangible personal property for a limited period of time each year; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 93—
BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON
AN ACT
To enact Chapter 5 of Subtitle V of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:4351 through 4356, relative to property taxation; to authorize the Board of Commerce and Industry to enter into ad valorem tax exemption and state and local sales tax rebate contracts for development of retirement communities; to provide for contract terms and conditions; 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. 94—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FUTRELL
AN ACT
To repeal R.S. 47:6006, relative to the inventory tax credit; to repeal the credit; and to provide for an effective date.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
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**HOUSE BILL NO. 95—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(10)(i) and (18)(h), relative to state sales and use taxes; to define retail sale and use; to exclude the acquisition and distribution of telephone directories distributed free of charge by advertising companies not affiliated with telephone service providers; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 96—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(A), 112(A), 287.445(C), 293(6)(a)(iv) and (7), 295, and 1623(D) and to repeal R.S. 47:112(B) and (C) and 296, relative to the individual income tax; to reduce the tax rates; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 97—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 22:5(13), relative to the insurance license tax; to specify that certain items are to be included in the tax base; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 98—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO**
**AN ACT**
To enact R.S. 47:602(F), relative to the corporation franchise tax; to provide for a deduction from taxable capital for certain corporations; to provide for definitions; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 99—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE E. ALEXANDER**
**AN ACT**
To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana to be used to pay the judgment in the suit entitled "Warren W. Hoag, Jr., et al. v. The State of Louisiana, through its Treasurer, John Neely Kennedy"; to provide for interest; 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. 100—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE DAMICO**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:412(A)(1), (2), (5), and (6) and (B)(1), (2), and (7)(c) and to enact R.S. 30:2532(B)(3), relative to drivers' licenses; to increase the fee for issuance and renewal of drivers' licenses; to require funds from such fee increase to be forwarded to the Keep Louisiana Beautiful Fund; to provide relative to the use of such funds; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 101—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE FUTRELL**
**AN ACT**
To enact R.S. 47:297(M), relative to individual income tax credits; to authorize a credit for long-term nursing home care insurance premiums paid by individuals; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 102—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT**
**AN ACT**
To enact R.S. 51:1787(J), relative to sales and use tax rebates provided to businesses located in enterprise zones and economic development zones; to limit the credits; 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. 103—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:463(A)(2), relative to the motor vehicle license tax; to provide for depreciation of an automobile when determining the tax; 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 Ways and Means.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 104—**
**BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:603, relative to the corporation franchise tax; to exclude from borrowed capital certain indebtedness of vehicle, boat, and equipment dealers; 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 Ways and Means.
HOUSE BILL NO. 105—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TOWNSEND
AN ACT
To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana to be used to pay the legal fees and expenses incurred by Sammy Davis, Jr. in his successful defense of criminal charges brought against him; to provide for payment to Dennis C. Weber; 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. 106—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:305.52, relative to sales and use tax exemptions; to provide for a state and local sales and use tax exemption for sales of certain property to Habitat for Humanity; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 107—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:6015, relative to tax credits; to establish a tax credit for an employer who provides certain employee benefits; to provide for the amount of the credit; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; 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. 108—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:6015, relative to tax credits; to establish a tax credit for an employer who provides certain employee benefits; to provide for the amount of the credit; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; 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. 109—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:6015, relative to tax credits; to provide for an income and corporation franchise tax credit for initial capital costs of certain aquaculture businesses; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 110—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact Chapter 2 of Subtitle V of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:4201 through 4207, relative to tax exemptions; to provide for an income and corporation franchise tax exemption for certain business entities which manufacture equipment that utilize certain hydrogen energy technologies; to provide for definitions; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 111—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:301(16)(h), relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for a state and local sales and use tax exclusion for purchases of certain health science equipment; to provide for definitions; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 112—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact Chapter 5 of Subtitle V of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:4351 through 4356, relative to property taxation; to authorize the Board of Commerce and Industry to enter into ad valorem tax exemption contracts for development of retirement communities; to provide for contract terms and conditions; 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. 113—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact Chapter 5 of Subtitle V of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:4351 through 4356, relative to property taxation; to authorize the Board of Commerce and Industry to enter into ad valorem tax exemption contracts for renovations, additions, or replacement of certain nursing facilities; to provide for contract terms and conditions; to provide for effectiveness; 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. 114—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRIEU
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305(D)(1)(s) and (5), relative to sales and use tax exemptions; to provide an exemption from local sales and use taxes for certain medical devices; to provide an exemption from local sales taxes for the sale of prescription drugs under the Louisiana Children's Health Insurance Program;
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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 115—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact Chapter 44 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:2701 through 2707, relative to income and corporation franchise tax credits; to create the Coastal Restoration Tax Credit Program; to authorize the Board of Commerce and Industry to enter into tax credit contracts with certain manufacturers of coastal restoration products and technologies; to provide for definitions; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 116—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEATON
AN ACT
To enact Part III-A of Chapter 2 of Title 26 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 26:380 through 383, relative to alcoholic beverages; to levy the Alcoholic Beverage Drink Tax; to establish collection and enforcement procedures; to provide for the use of the proceeds of the tax; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 117—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(14)(g)(i), to provide for a local sales and use tax exclusion for repairs to certain tangible personal property to be exported outside of this state; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 118—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:297.3, relative to the individual income tax; to provide for a credit against such tax for costs associated with the rehabilitation of certain historic structures; to provide for definitions; to provide for the taxable periods in which the credit may be taken; 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. 119—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(16)(g)(iii) and (iv) and to enact R.S. 47:301(16)(g)(v), relative to state and local sales and use taxes; to provide for an exclusion for sales of manufactured homes when the purchaser records an act of immobilization within a certain time period; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 120—
BY REPRESENTATIVES L. JACKSON AND K. CARTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:293(7) and to repeal R.S. 47:293(2) and (6)(a)(i), relative to individual income taxes; to delete the deductibility of excess federal itemized deductions; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 121—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:551(A) and (D)(2), relative to the taxation of rental of automobiles; to delete the expiration date of the tax; to provide for distribution of proceeds; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 122—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:6015, relative to tax credits; to provide an income and corporation tax credit for the capital costs of constructing an economic development building; to provide for definitions; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 123—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:6015, relative to tax credits; to provide an income and corporation tax credit for the capital costs of constructing an economic development building; to provide for definitions; 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 Ways and Means.
HOUSE BILL NO. 124—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:301(16)(h), relative to state and local sales and use tax; to define tangible personal property to exclude certain digital television and digital radio conversion equipment; to provide a tax credit for the purchase of certain equipment; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 125—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:44.1, relative to the individual income sales and use tax; to exempt all retirement income from taxation; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 126—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:305.1(D), relative to the sales and use tax; to define "foreign or interstate coastwise commerce" with respect to the exemption provided for certain owners and operators of ships or vessels operating in such commerce; 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. 127—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SWILLING
AN ACT
To enact Part III of Chapter 29 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 33:9095.1, relative to certain improvement districts in certain municipalities; to authorize the renewal of the districts' special taxes or fees; 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. 128—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305(D)(5), relative to the local sales and use tax; to exempt the sale of certain prescription drugs administered intravenously or through parenteral injection; 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. 129—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DIEZ
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305.50(A)(1)(b)(i), relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for eligibility for the exemption for certain trucks and trailers used in interstate commerce; 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. 130—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305(D)(1)(i) and (H), relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for the use of the quality jobs rebate program; to increase the employer-paid health care insurance premium requirement for full-time employees; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 131—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 22:1076.2, relative to insurance premium taxes; to authorize local governments to assess insurers to support public safety services; to provide for collection of the assessment; to provide for distribution of the assessment; 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. 132—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TOWNSEND
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:2101(B)(3) and to repeal R.S. 47:6006, relative to ad valorem taxes on inventory; to repeal the state tax credit for local ad valorem tax payments on inventory; to provide for the submission to the state of a tax notice for ad valorem taxes due on inventory in each parish; to provide for the payment of such taxes by the state; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 133—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FUTRELL
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:2101(B)(3) and to repeal R.S. 47:6006, relative to ad valorem taxes on inventory; to repeal the state tax credit for local ad valorem tax payments on inventory; to provide for the submission to the state of a tax notice for ad valorem taxes due on inventory in each parish; to provide for the payment of such taxes by the state; 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 Ways and Means.
HOUSE BILL NO. 134—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HUTTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:44.1(A), relative to the individual income tax exemption for private retirement income; to provide for the exemption for twenty thousand dollars of private retirement income for persons who are at least seventy years of age; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 135—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact Section 3 of Act No. 12 of the 1996 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 10 of the 1998 Regular Session of the Legislature and by Act No. 28 of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to sales and use tax; to extend the time limitation of the exclusion for certain transactions involving motor vehicles purchased for subsequent lease; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 136—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:297.3, relative to the individual income tax; to provide for an adoption tax credit; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 137—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:297(M), relative to the individual income tax; to provide for a credit for taxpayers who adopt certain children in this state; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 138—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:2101(B)(3) and to repeal R.S. 47:6006, relative to ad valorem taxes on inventory; to repeal the state tax credit for local ad valorem tax payments on inventory; to provide for the submission to the state of a tax notice for ad valorem taxes due on inventory in each parish; to provide for the payment of such taxes by the state; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 139—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEARD
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:2101(B)(3) and to repeal R.S. 47:6006, relative to ad valorem taxes on inventory; to repeal the state tax credit for local ad valorem tax payments on inventory; to provide for the submission to the state of a tax notice for ad valorem taxes due on inventory in each parish; to provide for the payment of such taxes by the state; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 140—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:44.1, relative to the individual income tax; to exempt all income from individual retirement arrangement distributions; 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. 141—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND DEWITT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:606(A)(1)(e) through (k) and to enact R.S. 47:287.95(K) and (L) and 606(A)(1)(l) and (m), relative to corporation income and franchise tax apportionment by telephone, television, and radio businesses; to provide for attribution of revenue to 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 142—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND DEWITT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 26:344 and R.S. 47:854, relative to collection of excise taxes; to provide for collection of alcoholic beverage and tobacco taxes from consumers who purchase certain untaxed alcoholic beverages or tobacco products; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 143—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND DEWITT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:287.86(I), relative to the corporation income tax; to provide relative to the use of the net operating loss deduction after certain reorganizations; 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 Ways and Means.
HOUSE BILL NO. 144—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND DEWITT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:33(A)(1), relative to the individual income tax credit for taxes paid in other states; to specify that the credit is allowed only for net income taxes imposed on and paid by an individual; to disallow a credit for taxes paid by legal entities other than individuals; to disallow a credit for taxes paid when the predominant character of the tax is not an income tax; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 145—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND DEWITT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6006(A) and (B), 6006.1(A) and (B) (introductory paragraph), 6008(A), 6012(B), and 6014(B) and to enact R.S. 47:6006.1(B)(6) and 6014(C)(7), relative to certain tax credits; to clarify the tax credits that estates and trusts are allowed to receive; to clarify the distribution of the inventory tax credit among partners in a partnership; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 146—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND DEWITT
AN ACT
To repeal R.S. 47:633.1, relative to the severance tax; to repeal the special rate for gas sold under certain written agreements; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 147—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND DEWITT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 26:345 and 347, relative to alcoholic beverage taxes; to provide for tax credit or refund of taxes paid on certain unsaleable products of low alcoholic content; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 148—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND DEWITT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1205(A), relative to the gift tax; to provide for an annual exclusion from the tax; 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 Ways and Means.
HOUSE BILL NO. 154—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE
AN ACT
To enact the Louisiana Tax Delinquency Amnesty Act; to provide for definitions; to require the Department of Revenue to establish a tax amnesty program as provided for in this Act; to provide for terms and conditions of the program; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 155—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(A), 112(A), 287.445(C), 293(6)(a)(iv) and (7), 295, and 1623(D) and to repeal R.S. 47:112(B) and (C) and 296, relative to the individual income tax; to revise the tax brackets; to authorize the secretary of the Department of Revenue to promulgate income tax and withholding tax tables; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 156—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOME
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 26:344 and to enact R.S. 26:342.1, 344.1, and 344.2, relative to the alcoholic beverage tax; to levy an additional alcoholic beverage tax; to create the Louisiana Addictive Disorders Fund and the Louisiana Teachers Salary Fund; to provide for deposit of certain alcoholic beverage tax proceeds to such funds; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 157—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRIEU
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:841(B)(4) and 841.1, relative to the tobacco tax; to increase the tax on cigarettes; to provide for deposit and use of proceeds from the tax; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 158—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRIEU
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 26:344 and to enact R.S. 26:342.1 and 344.1, and 344.2, relative to the alcoholic beverage tax; to levy an additional alcoholic beverage tax; to create the Louisiana Addictive Disorders Fund; to provide for deposit of certain alcoholic beverage tax proceeds to such funds; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 159—
BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:6015, relative to employee tax credits, to establish a tax credit for the employment of graduates of Louisiana colleges and universities; to provide for the amount of the credit; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; 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. 160—
BY REPRESENTATIVES L. JACKSON AND K. CARTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:293(7), to enact R.S. 47:299.42, and to repeal R.S. 47:293(2) and 6(a)(i), relative to individual income taxes; to delete the deductibility of excess federal itemized deductions; to provide for use of revenues collected due to elimination of the deduction; to establish the Indigent Health Care Fund; to provide for deposit and use of monies in the fund; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 161—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MARTINY
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 4:733.1, relative to the taxation of charitable gaming conducted by use of electronic pull-tab devices; to levy the tax; to provide for the use of a portion of the proceeds of such tax; 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. 162—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TUCKER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:305.52, relative to sales and use taxes; to provide for an exemption from such taxes for state and local chapters of the Boy Scouts of America; 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. 163—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOME
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 26:344 and to enact R.S. 26:342.1 and 344.1, relative to the alcoholic beverage tax; to levy an additional alcoholic beverage tax; to create the Louisiana Addictive Disorders Fund; to provide for deposit of certain alcoholic beverage tax proceeds into the fund; to provide for use of monies in the fund; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 164—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, BALDONE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTZE, DIEZ, DOWNER, DURAND, FARRAR, FLAVIN, FUTRELL, GUILLORY, HEATON, L. JACKSON, JOHNS, LANDRIEU, MONTGOMERY, ODNET, PITRE, RIDDLE, STELLY, STRAIN, TOWNSEND, TUCKER, WINSTON, AND WOOTON AND SENATORS LENTINI, BAHAM, CAIN, DUPRE, HEITMEIER, HOYT, MCPHERSON, MOUNT, SCHEDLER, SMITH, THEUNISSEN, AND THOMAS
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:305.1(D), relative to the sales and use tax as it applies to ships and ships’ supplies; to define "foreign or interstate coastwise commerce" with respect to the exemption provided for certain owners and operators of ships or vessels operating in such commerce; 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. 165—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PERKINS
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 51:931, relative to the State Board of Commerce and Industry; to provide for definitions; to provide for reporting of the use of Louisiana contractors, residents, and suppliers; to require the board to compile certain information in a report; to provide for the form of the report; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion
On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 166—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND HAMMETT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:551(A), relative to the taxation of rental of automobiles; to extend the automobile rental tax; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 167—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND HAMMETT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact Section 4 of Act No. 32 of the 2000 Regular Session, relative to the tobacco tax; to extend the additional tax of four-twentieths of one cent per cigarette; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 168—
BY REPRESENTATIVE KATZ
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:301(14)(b)(v), relative to state and local sales and use taxes; to provide for an exclusion from the tax for sales of admission tickets by little theater organizations; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 169—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND HAMMETT
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:302(P), 321(H), and 331(N), relative to the state sales and use tax; to provide relative to the effectiveness of certain exemptions to the tax; 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. 170—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT
To enact Part II of Chapter 29 of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 25:1261 through 1267, relative to economic development; to provide for legislative findings and purpose; to establish the Mississippi River Parishes Heritage Area; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to the authority of the Mississippi River Road Commission; to create the Mississippi River Parishes Heritage Area Development Zone; to provide for certain tax benefits for heritage-based cottage industry; to provide for the administration of the tax benefits; to provide for violations; to provide for termination and evaluation of the program; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion
On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 171—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND HAMMETT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:297(D)(3), relative to the individual income tax; to extend the time period for which the credit for certain educational expenses incurred for each dependent child is inapplicable, inoperable, and of no effect; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 172—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND HAMMETT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:297(D)(3), relative to the individual income tax; to extend the time period for which the credit for certain educational expenses incurred for each dependent child is inapplicable, inoperable, and of no effect; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 173—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL
AN ACT
To enact Part IV of Chapter 11 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:1071, relative to the levy of a tax on certain
telecommunication services; to provide for the levy of such tax; to provide for the use of the avails of such tax; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 174—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, HAMMETT, LEBLANC, PINAC, AND DIEZ
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:293(2)(b) and to enact R.S. 47:293(2)(c), relative to the individual income tax; to reduce the excess itemized deduction for a certain period; to phase out the reduction when certain revenue growth is achieved; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 175—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, HAMMETT, LEBLANC, PINAC, AND DIEZ
AN ACT
To enact Chapter 2-D of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:336 through 339, and to enact R.S. 47:340, all relative to the state sales and use tax; to reduce the tax on certain transactions when certain revenue growth is achieved; to provide for a tax reduction schedule; to provide for the deposit of funds to offset certain reductions; to provide for the effectiveness of certain exemptions to the tax; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 176—
BY REPRESENTATIVE K. CARTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6006(D)(5) and to enact R.S. 47:6006(D)(6), relative to the inventory tax credit; to reduce the amount of the credit; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 177—
BY REPRESENTATIVE K. CARTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:841(A), (B)(2), (C), and (E) and Section 4 of Act 32 of the 2000 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the tobacco tax; to provide for an increase in the tax; to extend the time period for the temporary tax on cigarettes; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 178—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305(D)(1)(t), relative to sales and use taxes; to provide for an exclusion for certain dental devices; 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. 179—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT
To enact Subpart G of Part III of Chapter 7 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1663.1 through 1663.8, relative to firestop installation; to provide for fees; to provide for the Louisiana Fire Marshal Firestop Trust Fund; to provide for enforcement and penalties; 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. 180—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FUTRELL
AN ACT
To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana to be used to pay the recommendation for payment rendered by the Board of Tax Appeals in the claim against the state entitled "The Foxboro Company v. Secretary, Department of Revenue, State of Louisiana"; 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. 181—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANCASTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:820.2(B)(1)(a), relative to the Transportation Infrastructure Model for Economic Development program; to increase the distribution of proceeds for the West Napoleon (Jefferson Parish/City of Kenner) project included in such program; 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. 182—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, BALDONE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DIEZ, DOWNER, DURAND, FARRAR, FLAVIN, FUTRELL, GUILLORY, HEATON, L. JACKSON, JOHNS, LANDRIEU, MONTGOMERY, ODINET, PITRE, RIDDLE, STIELLY, STRAIN, TOWNSEND, TUCKER, WINSTON, AND WOOTON AND SENATORS LENTINI, BARHAM, CAIN, DUPRE, HEITMEIER, HOYT, MCPHERSON, MOUNT, SCHEDLER, SMITH, THEUNISSEN, AND THOMAS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305.1(A), relative to exclusions and exemptions from state and local sales and use tax for ships and ships' supplies; to provide for an exemption for certain shipbuilding materials, equipment, and machinery from such tax; 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. 183—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1068(E)(1)(a) and (2)(d) and R.S. 51:1923(1), (5), and (6)(a)(6); 1924(B) and (D)(1), (2), and (5); 1926(A)(2) and (3)(a), 1927.1; 1928(B)(1), and 1931 and to enact 51:1923(11), (12), (13), (14), and (15), 1924(D)(6), 1926(A)(4), 1927.2, and 1935(C), relative to the Louisiana Capital Companies Tax Credit Program; to provide for certain tax credits; to provide for investments of such companies; to provide for the certification of capital; to provide for definitions; 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. 184—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TUCKER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:6015, relative to certain tax credits; to provide an income tax and corporation franchise tax credit for taxpayers exporting cargo through a Louisiana port, harbor, or terminal district; 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. 185—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GUILLORY
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:60.2 and 61.1, relative to deductions from gross income; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain physicians and certain corporations providing voluntary treatment of patients through community health care clinics; 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. 186—
BY REPRESENTATIVE R. ALEXANDER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:60.2 and 61.1, relative to the income tax; to provide for a deduction from gross income for certain physicians and certain corporations who provide unreferred emergency room care to the indigent; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 187—
BY REPRESENTATIVE R. ALEXANDER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:60.2 and 61.1, relative to the income tax; to provide for a deduction from gross income for certain physicians and certain corporations who provide unreferred emergency room care to the indigent; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 188—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:60.2 and 61.1, relative to the income tax; to provide for a deduction from gross income for certain physicians and certain corporations engaged in providing medical services who furnish medical services to the indigent; to provide for definitions; 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. 189—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:60.2 and 61.1, relative to the income tax; to provide for a deduction from gross income for certain physicians and certain corporations who provide unreferred emergency room care to the indigent; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 190—
BY REPRESENTATIVE M. JACKSON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 51:201.1(E), relative to individual income tax; to authorize an exemption from composite return and payment requirements for nonresident partners or members for publicly traded partnerships; 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 Ways and Means.

HOUSE BILL NO. 191—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TUCKER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2453(1)(a)(i)(cc) and 2457(A)(2)(d)(i), relative to the quality jobs rebate program; to reduce the employer-paid health care insurance premium requirement for full-time employees; 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 Ways and Means.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.
HOUSE BILL NO. 192—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, BALDONE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DIEZ, DOWNER, DURAND, FARRAR, FLAVIN, FUTRELL, GUILLORY, HEATON, L. JACKSON, JOHNS, LANDRIEU, MONTGOMERY, ODINET, PITRE, RIDDLE, STRAIN, TOWNSEND, TUCKER, WINSTON, AND WOOTON AND SENATORS LENTINI, BARHAM, CAIN, DUPRE, HEITMEIER, HOYT, MCPHERSON, MOUNT, SCHEDLER, SMITH, THEUNISSEN, AND THOMAS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305.1(A) and to enact R.S. 47:305.1(D), relative to exclusions and exemptions from state and local sales and use tax for ships and ships’ supplies; to provide for an exemption for certain shipbuilding materials, equipment, and machinery from such tax; to define “foreign or interstate coastwise commerce” with respect to the exemption provided for certain owners and operators of ships or vessels operating in such commerce; 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. 193—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCALISE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2453(1)(a)(i)(cc) and 2457(A)(2)(d)(i), relative to the quality jobs rebate program; to reduce the employer-paid health care insurance premium requirement for full-time employees; to provide for a tax credit for certain overpayments of insurance premiums; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion
On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 194—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2453(1)(a)(i)(cc) and 2457(A)(2)(d)(i), relative to the quality jobs rebate program; to reduce the employer-paid health care insurance premium requirement for full-time employees; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion
On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 195—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1068(E)(1)(a) and (2)(b), (d), and (3), R.S. 51:1923(1), (5), and (6)(a)(i), 1924(B), and (D)(1), (2) and (5), (E), (F), 1926(A), and (H)(3), 1927(C) and (D), 1927.1, 1928(B)(2) and (C)(3), and 1935(C), relative to the Louisiana Capital Companies Tax Credit Program; to provide for requirements to receive certain tax credits; to provide for the effective dates of the program; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions
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. 196—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MORRELL
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 46:450.5, relative to the state medical assistance program; to provide relative to provider appeals; to require decisions from hearings be made within thirty days of a hearing; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion
On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the bill was returned to the calendar.

Recess
On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the Speaker declared the House at recess until 1:45 P.M.

Joint Session of the Legislature
The joint session of the legislature was called to order at 1:00 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 appointing 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 Ullo, Hines, Bajoie, Barham, Iorns, and Dardenne.

On the part of the House: Representatives Robby Carter, Strain, Murray, Hunter, and Hill.

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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 1:45 P.M.

ROLL CALL
The roll being called, the following members answered to their names:
The Speaker announced there were 91 members present and a quorum.

**Leave of Absence**

Rep. Crane- 1 day

Rep. Powell- 1 day

**Adjournment**

On motion of Rep. Kenney, at 1:50 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, April 30, 2002, at 4:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, April 30, 2002.

ALFRED W. SPEER  
Clerk of the House