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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Tuesday, April 8, 2003

The House of Representatives was called to order at 2:00 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	Fruge	Odinot
Alario	Futrell	Perkins
Alexander	Gallot	Peychaud
Ansardi	Glover	Pierre
Arnold	Green	Pinac
Baldone	Guillory	Pitre
Baudoin	Hammett	Powell
Baylor	Heaton	Quezairé
Beard	Hebert	Richmond
Bowler	Hill	Romero
Broome	Honey	Salter
Bruce	Hopkins	Scalise
Bruneau	Hudson	Schneider
Capella	Hunter	Schwegmann
Carter, K	Hutter	Shaw
Carter, R	Iles	Smith, G.—56th
Cazayoux	Jackson, L	Smith, J.D.—50th
Crane	Jackson, M	Smith, J.H.—8th
Crowe	Johns	Smith, J.R.—30th
Curtis	Katz	Sneed
Damico	Kennard	Stelly
Daniel	Kenney	Strain
Dartez	LaFleur	Swilling
Devillier	Lancaster	Thompson
Diez	Landrieu	Toomy
Doerge	LeBlanc	Townsend
Downer	Lucas	Triche
Downs	Martiny	Tucker
Durand	McDonald	Waddell

Erdey	McVea	Walker
Fannin	Montgomery	Walsworth
Farrar	Morrell	Welch
Faucheux	Morrish	Winston
Flavin	Murray	Wooton
Frith	Nevers	Wright
Total—105		

ABSENT

Total—0

The Speaker announced that there were 105 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rep. Romero.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Rep. Frith, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Frith, the Journal of April 7, 2003, was adopted.

Message from the Senate

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

April 7, 2003

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

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

House Concurrent Resolution No. 75
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 76
Returned without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

April 7, 2003

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

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

Senate Concurrent Resolution Nos. 32 and 33

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Landrieu, 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. 32—
BY SENATOR HAINKEL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize and acknowledge the work, accomplishments, and contributions of Carol Colthorp and to offer the condolences of the legislature to her family.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33—
BY SENATOR HAINKEL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the crew of the space shuttle Columbia and offer the condolences of the legislature to their families.

Read by title.

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

Message from the Senate

SENATE BILLS

April 8, 2003

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

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

Senate Bill Nos. 40, 135, 279, 285, 293, 306, 332, 457, 505, 513 and 552

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Schneider, the rules were suspended in order to take up the bills contained in the message at this time.

**Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
on First Reading**

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on first reading were taken up, read, and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

SENATE BILL NO. 40—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:1844(W)(1) and to enact the Children's Code Art. 811.1(G)(3), relative to rights of certain crime victims; to provide for the rescission of certain confidentiality requirements with respect to information for the AMBER Alert network; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 135—
BY SENATOR GAUTREAU

AN ACT

To amend R.S. 47:2301, 2302(A), 2303, and 2307(A)(2) (introductory paragraph), relative to ad valorem property tax; to provide for use value assessment of certain agricultural land; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 279—
BY SENATOR DARDENNE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9038.4(A), relative to cooperative economic development; to require the secretary of the Department of Economic Development to obtain approval of proposed economic development projects from the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget; to require state bond commission approval for certain cooperative endeavor agreements; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 285—
BY SENATORS LENTINI, HEITMEIER, SCHEDLER AND HOLDEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 26:2(8) and 74(A), 271(A)(3), and 274(A), relative to alcoholic beverages; to provide relative to alcoholic beverage permits; to authorize permitting of commercial airlines as liquor retail distribution centers for such beverages; to provide relative to permits for dealers in beverages of low alcoholic content; to provide for permitting of a commercial airline as a retailer for such beverages; to prohibit the requirement of local permits or fees for commercial airlines; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 293—
BY SENATORS DARDENNE AND SCHEDLER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:303.1(B), (C) and (D), relative to state and local sales and use taxes; to provide that private, non-profit, tax-exempt organizations may apply for a Direct Payment Number by which to remit such taxes owed; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 306—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1232.6 and 1232.7(B), and to enact R.S. 40:1231(22) and (23) and R.S. 40:1232.3(8), relative to emergency medical personnel; to provide for imposition of fines and payment of costs of disciplinary matters; and to provide for more explicit language regarding criminal offenses by those regulated by the Emergency Medical Services Certification

Commission; to provide for subpoenas for hearings before the commission; to provide for particular definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 332—
BY SENATOR CRAVINS

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 4 of Title XVI of the Children's Code, to be comprised of Articles 1661 through 1673, and to repeal Children's Code Articles 1623 through 1657, relative to the Interstate Compacts Affecting Children; to provide for the adoption of a revised Interstate Compact for Juveniles; to authorize the state to join the Interstate Compact for Juveniles; to provide for its purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for the form of the compact; to create the Interstate Commission for Juveniles; to provide for its membership and duties; to create a State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision; to provide for its membership and duties; to provide for an effective date; to repeal a prior compact; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 457—
BY SENATOR DUPRE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2586(D) and to enact R.S. 13:2586(C)(4) and 2587.2, relative to jurisdiction for justice of the peace courts; to authorize justice of the peace courts to have jurisdiction over certain objects that have been removed, abandoned or disposed of; to provide for appellate procedure for such actions; to provide for fines and penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 505—
BY SENATOR DARDENNE AND REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:191(14) and to repeal R.S. 49:191(12)(h), relative to the Department of the Treasury, including provisions to provide for the re-creation of the Department of the Treasury and the statutory entities made a part of the department by law; to provide for the effective termination date for all statutory authority for the existence of such statutory entities; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 513—
BY SENATOR C. JONES
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 317 relative to unsecured personal surety; to permit personal surety bond to be posted by a qualified state resident; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

SENATE BILL NO. 552—
BY SENATOR C. JONES
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Art. 903(A), relative to delinquency; to provide with respect to disposition hearings; to provide that judges shall not base any judgment of disposition of a juvenile on certain factors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Introduction of Resolutions,
House and House Concurrent**

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 26—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GALLOT
A RESOLUTION

To recognize James Benjamin Haskin, Sr. of Lucky in Bienville Parish upon his one hundredth birthday celebration.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 77—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WELCH
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize the month of November as "Diabetes Month" in Louisiana and to promote public awareness of diabetes prevention, education, and management.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 78—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To proclaim April 12, 2003, as Thiels Family Reunion Day in Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

House and House Concurrent Resolutions

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 25—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE
A RESOLUTION

To amend and readopt House Rules 6.4(A) and (B) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to provide for the composition of the Committee on Appropriations.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 74—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create the Foster Care and Management Act to impose a reporting obligation to create greater awareness of the activities of the office of community services within the Department of Social Services relative to its duties in the areas of foster care and adoption.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Second Reading to be Referred**

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading to be referred to committees were taken up, read, and referred to committees, as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 2 —

BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND LEBLANC AND SENATORS
BARHAM AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To provide with respect to the capital outlay budget and the capital outlay program for state government, state institutions, and other public entities; to provide for the designation of projects and improvements; to provide for the financing thereof making appropriations from certain sources; 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. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT AND SENATOR BARHAM
AN ACT

To enact the Omnibus Bond Authorization Act of 2003, relative to the implementation of a five-year capital improvement program; to provide for the repeal of certain prior bond authorizations; to provide for new bond authorizations; to provide for authorization and sale of such bonds by the State Bond Commission; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 720—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Article 791.1, relative to the truancy and assessment and service center pilot program; to authorize the creation of a truancy and assessment and service center in the parish of Allen; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 721—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WINSTON AND STRAIN AND SENATOR
THOMAS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:149.27, relative to public buildings; to provide that the building in Covington known as the St. Tammany Livestock Show Facility be renamed as the Bobby Fletcher Agricultural Center; 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. 964—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 3(A) of Act No. 38 of the 1974 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 673 of the 1977 Regular Session of the Legislature, Act No. 940 of the 1981 Regular Session of the Legislature, Act No. 939 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Act No. 40 of the 1989 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the taxes levied by the governing authority of Lafayette Parish upon the occupancy of hotel rooms and overnight camping facilities within the parish, the proceeds of which are used to support the Lafayette Parish Convention and Visitors Commission; to provide that the amount of such taxes shall not exceed four percent of the rent or fee charged for such occupancy; 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 Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1087—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUNTER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2711.19, relative to municipal sales and use taxes; to authorize the governing authority of the city of Monroe to levy and collect an additional sales and use tax; to provide for voter approval; to provide for a termination date of such authority; 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. 1144—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 16:16(A) and 16.1 and to enact R.S. 16:16.3, relative to court costs in criminal matters; to provide for fees for the office of the district attorney in the parish of Orleans; to provide for an additional nonrefundable fee in criminal matters; to require the clerk of the Criminal District Court for the parish of Orleans to remit the money monthly to the district attorney's office; to provide for expenditure of the money collected; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1661—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:9033.4, to authorize the creation of a tax increment financing district within the parish of East Baton Rouge; to provide for the governance of the district; to provide for the powers, duties, and authority of the district, including the power of taxation and the power to engage in tax increment financing; to provide for the governing body of the district; to provide for the boundaries of the district; 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 Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1674—

BY REPRESENTATIVE M. JACKSON
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:9033.4, to authorize the creation of a tax increment financing district within the parish of East Baton Rouge; to provide for the governance of the district; to provide for the powers, duties, and authority of the district, including the power of taxation and the power to engage in tax increment financing; to provide for the governing body of the district; to provide for the boundaries of the district; 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 Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1770—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACK SMITH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:921(B) and (C), relative to employment contracts; to provide that interested parties may agree to refrain from engaging in similar businesses under certain circumstances; to provide that employees may not engage in similar businesses under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Landrieu, the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 144.

HOUSE BILL NO. 144—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRIEU
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 27:27.1(C)(12), relative to the uniform compulsive and problem gambling program; to require certain gaming licensees to adopt policies and procedures designed to prevent persons from gaming after having been determined to be intoxicated; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Landrieu, the bill was withdrawn from the files of the House.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Flavin, the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 198.

HOUSE BILL NO. 198—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FLAVIN
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 3-E of Title 8 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 8:141 through 144, to create the Sweet Lake- Grand Lake Community Cemetery District in Cameron Parish; to provide relative to the boundaries and purposes of the district; to provide relative to the governing authority, powers, and duties of the district; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Flavin, the bill was withdrawn from the files of the House.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Ansardi, the Committee on Health and Welfare was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 243.

HOUSE BILL NO. 243—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ANSARDI
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Articles 424.1(A), 1015(7), 1101, and 1193(introductory paragraph); to enact Chapter 13 of Title XI of the Children's Code, to be comprised of Articles 1149 through 1160; and to repeal Children's Code Articles 1701 through 1706, relative to safe haven relinquishments of infants; to provide for CASA appointments; to provide for defenses to prosecution; to provide for emergency care facility responsibilities; to provide for medical evaluations of the infant; to provide for hearings for parent to reclaim parental rights; to provide procedures when a non-relinquishing parent cannot be identified; to provide procedural safeguards; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Ansardi, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Devillier, the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 604.

HOUSE BILL NO. 604—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article I, Section 4 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the right to property; to provide for the protection of the ownership rights of personal property; to clarify that contraband has no such protection; to provide for

submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Devillier, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Montgomery, the Committee on Health and Welfare was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 1376.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1376—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY
AN ACT

To enact Children's Code Article 923, relative to the effect of conviction of certain misdemeanors; to provide that the adjudication or conviction of a misdemeanor offense by certain persons does not affect future licensing, employment, or determination of suitability; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Montgomery, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Diez, the Committee on Commerce was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 1415.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1415—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DIEZ, ILES, AND JOHN SMITH
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:1728.5, relative to the Louisiana Towing and Storage Act; to provide relative to the disposal of abandoned motor vehicles; to authorize the issuance of permits to dismantle or crush in certain circumstances; to authorize the suspension of registration privileges in certain circumstances; to authorize a fee; to provide relative to reinstatement of registration privileges; to provide relative to the limitation of liability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Diez, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Odinet, the Committee on Environment was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 1455.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1455—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ODINET
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4065.3(H), relative to the Lake Catherine Sewage and Water District; to authorize the board of commissioners of the district to fix, collect, and revise sewer and water rates or fees for facilities and services furnished by the district; to provide for the collection thereof, including liens and penalties for delinquency; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Odinet, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Hunter, the Committee on Education was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 1744.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1744—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUNTER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:2118, relative to the Louisiana High School Athletic Association; to provide relative to budgets and audits of the association; to provide relative to court review of decisions of the association; to provide relative to proper venue for actions brought against the association; to provide relative to the applicability of open meetings provisions to the association and retirement system participation by the association; to provide relative to notices and hearings as it relates to the association; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Hunter, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Second Reading Reported by Committee**

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading reported by committee were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 64—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 1922, relative to money judgments; to require the inclusion of date of birth of the judgment debtors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Original House Bill No. 64 by Representative Baldone

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 10, after "rendered" change the period "." to a comma "," and add "if the date of birth is known by the attorney preparing the judgment."

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

On motion of Rep. Johns, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 126—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MONTGOMERY AND WALKER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 20:1(A)(2), relative to the exemption from seizure and sale of a homestead; to provide for an increase in the amount of the homestead exemption; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Original House Bill No. 126 by Representative Montgomery

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 15, after "~~twenty-five~~" and before "hundred" change "two" to "one"

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

On motion of Rep. Johns, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 179—

BY REPRESENTATIVE POWELL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:2715(B)(1), relative to the transfer of structured settlement rights; to provide for venue for filing the ex parte petition in the parish in which the payee resides; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

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

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 226—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 12:102(A)(introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S. 12:102(A)(6), relative to business corporations' annual reports; to provide that an agent may make and sign an annual report; to provide the name, address, telephone number, and electronic e-mail address of the person submitting the annual report; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

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

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 227—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 12:308(D), relative to foreign corporations; to provide for written notice of resignations of registered agents; to provide for mailing of notices to principal place of business; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

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

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 228—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 12:1308(E)(1) and 1308.1(A)(introductory paragraph) and to repeal R.S. 12:1308(E)(2), relative to limited liability companies' registered agents; to provide for an agent's resignation; to provide for filing an annual report; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

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

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 229—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 12:1350(D), relative to foreign limited liability companies; to provide for written notices of resignations by registered agents; to provide for mailing of notices to the principal place of business; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

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

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 333—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1472.3(A) and R.S. 51:655(A) and (B)(2) and 658(A)(2) and to enact R.S. 51:650(9) through (12) and 655(E), relative to fireworks; to revise provisions relative to the public display of fireworks; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

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Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 333 by Representative Pinac

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 40:1472.3(A)" insert "and" and after "R.S. 51:655(A)" insert "and (B)(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 10, after "R.S. 51:655(A)" and before "and 658(A)(2)" insert "and (B)(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, line 9, delete the asterisks and insert the following:

"B.

* * *

(2) The fee for application for a permit for a public display shall be ~~ten~~ one hundred dollars and shall be used to offset the cost of processing the permit request and cover the expense of on-site inspections."

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

On motion of Rep. Pinac, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 340—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:3204(A) and 3205, relative to personal jurisdiction over nonresidents; to provide for service of process in divorce proceedings; to provide for service of process in summary proceedings; to provide for the rendering of judgments; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

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

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 398—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 1734.1, relative to deposits for jury trials; to provide for the discretionary authority of the court in setting the amount of the deposit; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Original House Bill No. 398 by Representative Baldone

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 14, after "The" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 15 in its entirety and insert "deposit shall include sufficient funds for payment of"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 16, delete "sufficient to fund"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 1, after the period "." add the following:

"The required deposit shall not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars for the first day of trial plus three hundred dollars per day for each additional day the court estimates the trial will last."

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

On motion of Rep. Johns, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 698—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1613, relative to order of the fire marshal; to clarify that fire marshal orders must be "lawful" orders; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported by substitute by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The substitute was read by title as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1769 (Substitute for House Bill No. 698 by Representative Pinac)—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1568.1, relative to orders of the fire marshal; to provide that the fire marshal shall order an investigation of any fire resulting in any human death; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Pinac, the substitute was adopted and became House Bill No. 1769 by Rep. Pinac, on behalf of the Committee on Commerce, as a substitute for House Bill No. 698 by Rep. Pinac.

Under the rules, lies over in the same order of business.

HOUSE BILL NO. 701—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1563(B)(4), 1573, and 1575, relative to fire protection; to prohibit the fire marshal from inspecting "one- or two-family dwellings"; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 701 by Representative Pinac

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 3 and insert "protection; to prohibit the fire marshal from inspecting"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, at the beginning of line 2, insert "private homes and"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 15, after "interior of a" and before "one- and two-" insert "single private and"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 26, after "interiors of" and before "one- or two-family" insert "private and"

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

On motion of Rep. Pinac, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 963—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:27, relative to damage claims against the state, its agencies, or employees related to the failure, operation, or approval of a dam located in this state; to define "dam"; to include the Toledo Bend Dam; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

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

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1629—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1625(C)(2)(b) and (9)(introductory paragraph) and 1628(A)(3)(b) and (B)(3), relative to fire protection engineers and mechanical engineers; to provide for licensing as fire protection sprinkler systems contractors; to eliminate errors and omissions insurance requirement; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 1629 by Representative Pinac

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 40:1625(C)(2)(b) and" and before "1628(A)(3)(b)" insert "(9)(introductory paragraph) and"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 8, after "R.S. 40:1625(C)(2)(b) and" and before "1628(A)(3)(b)" insert "(9)(introductory paragraph) and"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 1, after "as a" and before "fire" insert "Louisiana certified"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

"(9) "Inspector" means a person who has satisfied all of the following conditions or maintains a license as a Louisiana certified fire protection or mechanical engineer and submits a completed application with the appropriate fee:

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AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 20, after "as a" and before "fire" insert "Louisiana certified"

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

On motion of Rep. Pinac, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1727—

BY REPRESENTATIVES POWELL AND DANIEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:4103(A), relative to alternative dispute resolution; to provide for the referral of a case to mediation by the court; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

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

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1767—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1563(J) and 1563.4(A) and to enact R.S. 40:1563(K), relative to powers and duties of the fire marshal; to provide for cease and desist orders for violations of

fire protection and prevention statutes; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

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

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1520—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 42 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 33:9581, relative to the creation of a special taxing district in St. John the Baptist Parish; to create such district; to provide for the purpose for which the district is created; to provide for the governance of the district; to provide for the powers, duties, and functions of the district and its governing authority including the power of taxation; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1771—
BY REPRESENTATIVES LANCASTER AND CAPELLA AND SENATORS MICHOT AND HAINKEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:21.3(C)(1) and to enact Chapter 43 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 17:4011, 4012, 4015 through 4020, and 4025 through 4027, R.S. 36:651(F), and R.S. 39:21.3(C)(2)(f), relative to the establishment of the Louisiana Parental Choice in Education Program; to provide legislative findings and the program's purpose; to establish and provide for requirements to participate in the program; to provide with regard to the eligibility of students and parents and the eligibility and requirements for public schools, charter schools, and private and parochial schools; to provide definitions; to provide for certain scholarships; to provide relative to funding; to provide relative to accountability; to establish and provide for the membership of the Louisiana Parental Choice in Education Commission to manage and administer the program; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the commission; to provide for the adoption of rules; to provide relative to the membership and duties of the Education Estimating Conference; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1772—
BY REPRESENTATIVE K. CARTER
AN ACT

To enact Civil Code Article 2315.3, relative to damages; to provide for the awarding of exemplary damages for injuries caused by the storage, handling, or transportation of hazardous or toxic substances; to provide for the award of a percentage of damages to the local school board; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1773—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:1312(D), relative to judicial expense funds; to provide relative to funds of any civil district court and city courts located in a parish with a population of greater than four hundred seventy thousand; to authorize the judges en banc to utilize the funds for a separate juvenile facility; to delete prohibition against raising additional fees; to delete requirement that additional funds be derived from other noncourt cost-related sources; to delete the requirement that the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget approve the plans and cost; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1774—
BY REPRESENTATIVE POWELL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1448(G), relative to group insurance for sheriffs and deputy sheriffs; to require the sheriff of any parish with a population of between one hundred thousand and one hundred two thousand to pay certain premium costs of specified group insurance for certain retired officials and employees; to provide limitations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on Appropriations

April 8, 2003

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 267, by Frith
Reported favorably. (12-0) (Local and Consent)

House Bill No. 573, by Crane
Reported with amendments. (12-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1148, by Erdey
Reported favorably. (13-0) (Local and Consent)

House Bill No. 1270, by Winston
Reported favorably. (12-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1609, by Scalise
Reported with amendments. (15-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1623, by LeBlanc
Reported with amendments. (15-0) (Regular)

JERRY LUKE LEBLANC
Chairman

Report of the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure

April 8, 2003

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 128, by Montgomery
Reported favorably. (5-2) (Regular)

House Bill No. 479, by Bruneau
Reported with amendments. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 519, by Johns
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 737, by Baldone
Reported favorably. (6-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 998, by Gallot
Reported with amendments. (6-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1048, by Broome
Reported with amendments. (6-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1098, by Johns
Reported with amendments. (7-0) (Regular)

RONNIE JOHNS
Chairman

Report of the Committee on Commerce

April 8, 2003

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 184, by Pinac
Reported favorably. (9-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 186, by Pinac
Reported with amendments. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 329, by Pinac
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 517, by Johns
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1007, by Bruneau
Reported with amendments. (11-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1037, by Pinac
Reported favorably. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1120, by Damico
Reported favorably. (9-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1146, by Hammett
Reported with amendments. (10-0) (Regular)

GIL J. PINAC
Chairman

Report of the Committee on Environment

April 8, 2003

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 1570, by Daniel
Reported with amendments. (11-0) (Regular)

N. J. DAMICO
Chairman

**Report of the Committee on
Transportation, Highways and Public Works**

April 8, 2003

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 11, by Strain
Reported favorably. (10-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 18, by Bruneau
Reported favorably. (13-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 40, by Iles
Reported with amendments. (15-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 44, by Strain
Reported favorably. (10-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 242, by Quezaire
Reported favorably. (13-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 287, by Toomy
Reported favorably. (15-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 328, by Nevers
Reported favorably. (10-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 394, by Scalise
Reported with amendments. (8-7-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 407, by Johns
Reported favorably. (10-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 602, by Cazayoux
Reported favorably. (13-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 932, by Pitre
Reported favorably. (15-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1168, by Quezaire
Reported favorably. (13-0-1) (Regular)

JOHN C. DIEZ
Chairman

Report of the Committee on Ways and Means

April 8, 2003

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Concurrent Resolution No. 72, by Montgomery
Reported favorably. (9-0-1)

House Bill No. 830, by Hammett
Reported favorably. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 893, by Hammett
Reported favorably. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1010, by Hammett
Reported with amendments. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1036, by Hammett
Reported favorably. (8-0-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1066, by Hammett
Reported favorably. (8-0-1) (Regular)

BRYANT O. HAMMETT, JR.
Chairman

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

April 8, 2003

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

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

The following House Concurrent Resolutions have been
properly enrolled:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 75—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUCE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the DeSoto Youth Sportsmen Team upon winning the
National Rifle Association's Youth Hunter Education Challenge.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 76—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WELCH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize April 9, 2003, as a Day of Prayer in Louisiana for the
victims of the South Louisiana serial killer, for the victims'
families, and for the serial killer's quick apprehension.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD RAY KENNARD
Chairman

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

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Thompson, the rules were suspended to
permit the Committee on Agriculture to meet upon adjournment on
Wednesday, April 9, 2003, and consider the following legislative
instruments that were not listed on the weekly committee schedule as
required by House Rule 14.23:

House Bill Nos. 1398, 1400, 1402, 1472, 1493, and 1696

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Toomy, the rules were suspended to permit
the Committee on Judiciary to meet upon adjournment on
Wednesday, April 9, 2003.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Guillory, the rules were suspended to permit
the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to meet upon
adjournment on Wednesday, April 9, 2003.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Broome, the rules were suspended to permit
the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to meet
upon adjournment on Wednesday, April 9, 2003.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Damico, the rules were suspended to permit
the Committee on Natural Resources to meet on Wednesday, April
9, 2003, and consider the following legislative instruments that were
not listed on the weekly committee schedule as required by House
Rule 14.23:

House Bill No. 718

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 4:50 P.M., the House agreed
to adjourn until Wednesday, April 9, 2003, at 2:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until
2:00 P.M., Wednesday, April 9, 2003.

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House

Committee Meeting Notices

Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice

Will meet at: 10:00 A.M. Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 6

HB 21 MARTINY – CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE: Authorizes
commercial couriers to send notices of return or surrender of rented
or leased motor vehicle

HB 49 BALDONE – CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE: Adds
necessity and choice of evils circumstance to justification defense in
criminal law

HB 50 BALDONE – CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE: Adds minor
accessories as parties to felony crimes

HB 181 FLAVIN – PUBLIC SERVICE COMN: Provides that
enforcement agents of the Public Service Commission are
commissioned law enforcement officers and are authorized to carry
weapons

HB 234 KENNARD – WEAPONS/HANDGUNS: Includes
coroners in the list of officials who can carry concealed handguns

HB 492 BALDONE – CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE: Provides for corporate criminal liability in felony cases

HB 604 DEVILLIER – CRIME/CONTRABAND: (Constitutional Amendment) Provides that constitutional protection granted to personal property does not apply to contraband

HB 755 KENNARD – EXPLOSIVES: Adds grounds for revoking an explosives license

HB 756 KENNARD – EXPLOSIVES: Provides that certain licensing fees for explosives are nonrefundable

HB 757 KENNARD – EXPLOSIVES: Repeals provisions which allow unlicensed persons to work with explosives under the supervision of a licensed blaster

HB 997 LAFLEUR – CRIME: Makes the crime of disarming a peace officer applicable to park wardens

HB 1021 DEVILLIER – EVIDENCE: Provides for disposition of evidence relative to child pornography, involuntary obscenity, and video voyeurism

HB 1022 DEVILLIER – CRIME/ARSON: Provides for the attempt to commit arson

HB 1023 DEVILLIER – COURTS/DISTRICT: Provides for the eligibility for the drug division probation program

HB 1024 DEVILLIER – CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE: Provides for the reconsideration of sentences in criminal cases

HB 1025 DEVILLIER – CRIME: Changes the criminal penalties for a second or subsequent conviction of child desertion

HB 1351 LAFLEUR – WEAPONS/FIREARMS: Includes district attorneys and assistant district attorneys in the list of officials who can carry concealed handguns

HB 1352 LAFLEUR – CRIME: Amends stalking provisions

DANIEL R. MARTINY
Chairman

Committee on Agriculture

Will meet at: UPON ADJOURNMENT Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 3

HB 768 DIEZ – AGRICULTURE/SUGAR: Requires sugar mills to lock out their scales in certain situations

HB 1362 DANIEL – AGRICULTURE: Increases the registration fee for commercial weighing and measuring devices and creates the Weights and Measures Fund

HB 1368 THOMPSON – AGRICULTURE: Provides relative to fertilizer fees

HB 1396 THOMPSON – AGRICULTURE: Provides relative to pesticide fees

HB 1398 THOMPSON (TBA) – ANIMALS: Provides relative to Livestock Brand Commission fees (Subject to rule suspension)

HB 1400 THOMPSON (TBA) – AGRICULTURE: Relative to apiary fees and disposition of funds (Subject to rule suspension)

HB 1402 THOMPSON (TBA) – AGRICULTURE/FOREST DEPT : Provides relative to horticulture fees (Subject to rule suspension)

HB 1427 POWELL – AGRICULTURE/STRAWBERRIES: Provides for the Louisiana Strawberry Marketing Board

HB 1472 THOMPSON (TBA) – AGRICULTURE: Provides relative to agricultural commodity dealer and warehouse fees (Subject to rule suspension)

HB 1493 THOMPSON (TBA) – AGRICULTURE/SWEET POTATO: Provides relative to sweet potato inspection fees (Subject to rule suspension)

HB 1499 PITRE – AQUACULTURE: Provides relative to labeling and advertisement of food products in Louisiana

HB 1530 THOMPSON – AGRICULTURE: Relative to boll weevil referendums

HB 1533 DANIEL – WEIGHTS/MEASURES: Moves regulation and verification of commercial weighing and measuring of petroleum products under the authority of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry

HB 1652 THOMPSON – AGRICULTURE/GRAIN: Provides relative to feed fees charged by the Department of Agriculture and Forestry

HB 1675 THOMPSON – AGRICULTURE: Provides relative to labeling and regulation of seeds, an increase in seed fees, and the Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry's powers and duties

HB 1696 THOMPSON (TBA) – AGRICULTURE: Provides relative to nursery stock inspection fees (Subject to rule suspension)

HB 1725 TOWNSEND – AQUACULTURE: Provides for the Louisiana Aquaculture Coordinating Council

FRANCIS C. THOMPSON
Chairman

Committee on Education

Will meet at: 9:00 A.M. Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 1

HB 1342 DEWITT – TEACHERS: Establishes a Teachers' Bill of Rights

HCR 59 DEWITT – SCHOOLS: Establishes the Commission on Best Practices in School Discipline

HB 847 J R SMITH – PUBLIC BLDGS/GROUNDS-ST : Designates a building on the Leesville/Fort Polk campus of Northwestern State University as the "Chester Creighton Owen Building"

HB 457 TRICHE – SCHOOLS: Provides for applicability of provisions relative to minimum requirements for instructional time

to certain public schools and school systems under specified circumstances

HCR 1 FRITH – SCHOOLS: Provides for applicability of provisions relative to minimum requirements for instructional time to certain public schools and school systems under specified circumstances

CARL CRANE
Chairman

Committee on Health and Welfare

Will meet at: 9:30 A.M. Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 4

Remarks:

HB 95 TRICHE – CHILDREN/SUPPORT: Repeals the termination date of the authority of DSS to administratively suspend licenses for nonpayment of child support

HB 175 BRUNEAU – WATER/DRINKING WATER: Changes the method of assessment of a safe drinking water administration fee

HB 239 DANIEL – SANITARY CODE: Changes definition of food service establishments for food safety certificates

HB 446 TRICHE – CHILDREN/SUPPORT: Extends the authority of DSS to suspend licenses

HB 449 TRICHE – CHILDREN/SUPPORT: Provides for the collection of support from federal tax refunds

HB 482 PERKINS – CHILDREN/VISITATION RGTS: Authorizes the development of an access and visitation program

HB 1227 BOWLER – CHILDREN/SUPPORT: Provides for child support programs

HB 1282 TRICHE – CHILDREN/SUPPORT: Authorizes the interception of gaming winnings for the collection of past due child support

HB 1655 TOWNSEND – SANITARY CODE: Provides relative to retail food establishments

SYDNIE MAE DURAND
Chairman

Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

Will meet at: 9:30 A.M. Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 3

HB 133 PINAC – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Provides relative to the Louisiana Economic Development Council and other entities in the office of the governor

HB 324 LANCASTER – SUNSET LAW: Repeals the termination date of the Department of Elections and Registration

HB 325 LANCASTER – SUNSET LAW: Re-creates the Department of State

HB 326 LANCASTER – SUNSET LAW: Re-creates the Department of State Civil Service

HB 858 LANCASTER – CIVIL SERVICE/COMMISSION: Provides for procedures for the election of the classified employee member of the State Civil Service Commission

HB 1208 DEWITT – GOVERNOR/MANSION: Increases the number of members on the La. Governor's Mansion Commission and provides for certain access to property under its control

HB 1211 BRUNEAU – ELECTION CODE: Makes changes to the Election Code

HB 1226 THOMPSON – AGRICULTURE: Changes statutory references to reflect name change to the House and Senate Committees on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture and Rural Development

HB 1359 TOWNSEND – WILDLIFE/ENFORCEMENT: Transfers the enforcement division of the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries to the office of state police

HB 1768 MURRAY – PUBLIC BLDGS/GROUNDS-ST : Use of unlicensed state vehicles within the State Capitol Complex

HR 13 THOMPSON – HOUSE/RULES: Provides relative to changing the name of the House Committee on Agriculture

HB 18 PINAC – SAVINGS & LOAN ASSNS: Authorizes and requests the Louisiana State Law Institute to review certain statutory provisions and changes references

HCR 25 PINAC – FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: Authorizes and requests the Louisiana State Law Institute to review certain statutory provisions and change references

CHARLES D. LANCASTER, JR.
Chairman

Committee on Insurance

Will meet at: 9:00 A.M. Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 2

! Presentation of the Louisiana Department of Insurance's Actuarial Cost Analysis Report on Statutory Mandates

! Presentation of the 2003 Annual Report submitted by the Louisiana Health Plan

HB 618 FLAVIN – INSURERS/AGENTS: Specifies the manner in which an agent may obtain information from an applicant

HB 691 FARRAR – INSURERS/ALIEN: Increases the deposit and bond required of foreign and alien insurers

HB 705 HAMMETT – INSURANCE/LIABILITY: Requires homeowners' liability insurance to cover all-terrain vehicles used on or off premises

HB 725 BOWLER – INSURANCE/POLICIES: Provides for the conditions for cancellation, non-renewal, and increase of premiums and deductibles of certain property, casualty, and liability policies

HB 767 BOWLER – INSURANCE DEPARTMENT: Changes the makeup of the Louisiana Property and Casualty Insurance Commission

HB 841 ANSARDI – INSURANCE/HEALTH-ACCID: Provides for the method of delivery of health and accident insurance policies

HB 889 FAUCHEUX – INSURANCE: Restricts the printing of power-of-attorney of an insurer

HB 1039 WINSTON – INSURANCE: Repeals prohibitions on group insurance for property and casualty insurance

HB 1113 FAUCHEUX – INSURANCE: Adds provision for surrenders for non-payment of premium

HB 1209 CAPELLA – INSURANCE DEPARTMENT: Provides penalties for the failure of a dental referral plan to register with the Department of Insurance

HB 1219 TUCKER – INSURERS/GUARANTY ASSNS: Provides for disposition of unclaimed property held by the Louisiana Insurance Guaranty Association

HB 1444 HEBERT – INSURERS: Provides for loaning of securities by domestic insurers to members of the National Association of Securities Dealers

HB 1445 HEBERT – INSURERS: Authorizes domestic insurers to invest in bonds and obligations that are payable from the tax revenues of state, local, and federal entities

HB 1466 HEBERT – INSURANCE/HEALTH: Redesignates "franchise" coverage to "association" coverage

HB 1477 HEBERT – INSURERS: Provides for matters necessary for a certificate of authority for foreign and alien insurers

HB 1508 HEBERT – INSURANCE DEPARTMENT: Provides for the organization and functions of the office of property and casualty in the Department of Insurance and the Louisiana Insurance Rating Commission

HB 1509 HEBERT – INSURANCE: Provides that the Insurance Code is Title 22 instead of Chapter 1 of Title 22

HB 1511 HEBERT – INSURANCE/SURPLUS LINE: Deletes March 31st as the expiration date for surplus line brokers' licenses

HB 1512 HEBERT – INSURANCE CLAIMS: Requires insurers to provide proof of loss forms to persons claiming a loss under a contract of insurance

HB 1612 TOWNSEND – INSURANCE/HEALTH: Requires that pharmacy benefit managers be licensed and regulated by the Department of Insurance

TROY HEBERT
Chairman

Committee on Judiciary

Will meet at: UPON ADJOURNMENT Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 1

HB 13 GALLOT – SHERIFFS: Requires the sheriff in Claiborne Parish to pay for group health insurance for certain retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs

HB 157 DOWNER – MILITARY AFFAIRS: Clarifies the reinstatement rights of dependents to group health insurance coverage after military service

HB 178 BALDONE – SHERIFFS: Provides for the payment of insurance premiums for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in Terrebonne Parish

HB 230 TOWNSEND – LOCAL OFFL/MARSHALS: Provides for the salary of the office of marshal for the City Court of Natchitoches

HB 260 ERDEY – COURTS/DISTRICT: Provides for disposition of the Criminal District Court Fund in the 21st JDC (parishes of Livingston, St. Helena, and Tangipahoa)

HB 263 BALDONE – COURTS/CITY: Authorizes the transfer of surplus funds or unclaimed fees to the court's general operational fund

HB 264 BALDONE – COURTS/CITY: Authorizes the destruction of certain records in the City Court of Houma

HB 709 DOWNER – MILITARY AFFAIRS: Provides for payment of differential pay to state employees called to active service in the uniformed services

HB 853 FARRAR – JUDICIAL EXPENSE FUND: Permits interest accrued on other court accounts to be deposited into the judicial expense fund of the district court

HB 942 DOWNER – MILITARY AFFAIRS: Provides for the office of homeland security and emergency preparedness

HB 1091 FAUCHEUX – COURTS/COURT REPORTERS: Provides for transcription fees in civil and criminal matters in the 40th JDC

HB 1284 TOOMY – COURTS/PARISH: Provides for a security service charge fee on filings in the First and Second Parish Courts of Jefferson Parish

HB 1353 DOWNER – VETERANS: Relative to the Veterans' Affairs Commission, provides for six-year staggered terms

HB 1460 TOOMY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: Includes tobacco products in the Responsible Vendor Law

HB 1650 WOOTON – SHERIFFS: Requires that the insurance premiums of certain retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in a parish with a population of between 26,000 and 28,000 be paid in full from the sheriff's general fund

HB 1741 PINAC – REVENUE DEPARTMENT: Provides for the regulation of the sale of cigarettes through means of telephone, mail, or the internet when delivery is made in Louisiana

JOSEPH F. TOOMY
Chairman

Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

Will meet at: UPON ADJOURNMENT Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 5

HB 119 CROWE – WORKERS COMPENSATION: Requires vocational rehabilitation counselors to sign job descriptions

HB 282 DEWITT – WORKERS COMPENSATION: (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for the appointment of members to the board of directors of LWCC

HB 306 DEWITT – WORKERS COMPENSATION: Provides for the appointment of members to the Board of directors of LWCC

HB 824 BOWLER – EMPLOYMENT/AGENCIES: Exempts employer-fee paid employment services from testing, licensing, and bonding requirements

ELCIE J. GUILLORY
Chairman

Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs

Will meet: UPON ADJOURNMENT Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 6

HB 83 BRUCE – HEALTH/EMERG MED SERVICE: Provides for an increase in the membership of the board of commissioners of the DeSoto Parish Ambulance Service District

HB 198 FLAVIN – DISTRICTS/CEMETERY: Creates the Sweet Lake-Grand Lake Community Cemetery District in Cameron Parish

HB 201 WALKER – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Provides relative to the Economic Development Board for the Parish of Avoyelles and its advisory board

HB 207 GALLOT – DISTRICTS/COMMUNICATIONS: Relative to the board of commissioners of the Lincoln Parish Communications District, increases membership and provides for terms

HB 344 HOPKINS – DISTRICTS/HOSPITAL SERVC: Provides relative to the board of commissioners of the North Caddo Hospital Service District

HB 366 BRUCE – LIBRARIES: Prohibits diversion of certain library funds in DeSoto Parish

HB 631 CURTIS – DISTRICTS/ECONOMIC DEVEL: Provides relative to the Alexandria Central Economic Development District, including provisions pertaining to the boundaries and the composition of the governing board

HB 719 JOHNS – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Provides relative to the disposition of property owned by the town of Vinton

HB 728 HOPKINS – DISTRICTS/FIRE PROTECT: Authorizes the governing authority of Fire Protection District No. 1 of Caddo Parish, subject to voter approval, to establish and collect a service charge or rates of service charges

HB 923 HUNTER – PUBLIC BUILDINGS/GROUNDS: Authorizes the governing authority in certain municipalities to name a civic center theater in honor of a former living mayor under certain circumstances

HB 968 ARNOLD – DISTRICTS/DOWNTOWN DEVEL: Reduces the membership of the board of commissioners for the Algiers Development District

HB 974 KATZ – PUBLIC BUILDINGS/GROUNDS: Authorizes the governing authority in certain municipalities to name a civic center theater in honor of a former living mayor under certain circumstances

HB 1086 HUNTER – DISTRICTS/HOSPITAL SERVC: Provides for an increase in the per diem permitted to members of the Ouachita Parish Hospital Service District within which is situated the G. B. Cooley Hospital

HB 1312 GLOVER – PUBLIC BUILDINGS/GROUNDS: Authorizes certain municipal governing authorities to name the central fire station in honor of a former fire chief under certain circumstances

SHARON WESTON BROOME
Chairman

Committee on Natural Resources

Will meet at: 9:00 A.M. Date: April 9, 2003

Location: Committee Room 5

HB 130 J R SMITH – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the exchange of land between the Department of Agriculture and Forestry and the Cooper Cemetery Association in Beauregard Parish

HB 381 HOPKINS – PUBLIC LANDS/STATE: Authorizes the transfer of certain state property situated in Caddo Parish to adjacent landowner

HB 495 KATZ – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the transfer of certain state property in Ouachita Parish from the University of Louisiana to the Department of Transportation

HB 498 TOWNSEND – PUBLIC LANDS/SCHOOLS: Authorizes the transfer or lease of certain state property in Natchitoches Parish from Northwestern State University to the city of Natchitoches

HB 606 DIEZ – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the transfer or lease of certain state property situated in East Baton Rouge Parish to the Department of Transportation and Development

HB 607 DIEZ – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the transfer or lease of certain state property situated in St. Tammany Parish to the Department of Transportation and Development

HB 608 DIEZ – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the transfer or lease of certain state property situated in Webster Parish from Louisiana Tech University to the Department of Transportation and Development

HB 609 DIEZ – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the transfer or lease of certain state property situated in St. Tammany Parish from the Department of Health and Hospitals and the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism to the Department of Transportation and Development

HB 610 DIEZ – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the transfer or lease of certain state property situated in Winn Parish from the Department of Transportation and Development to the Department of Social Services, office of family support

HB 718 L JACKSON (TBA) – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Provides relative to the reversion to the state of certain property dedicated by the state of Louisiana to the Caddo Parish School Board
(Subject to Rule Suspension)

HB 739 DIEZ – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the transfer or lease of certain state property situated in Caldwell Parish from the Department of Health and Hospitals and the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism to the Department of Transportation and Development

HB 806 DIEZ – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the transfer of state property situated in Vernon Parish to the United States Army

HB 826 DEWITT – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Authorizes the transfer of certain state property situated in Rapides Parish to the England Economic & Industrial Development District

HB 970 K CARTER – PUBLIC LANDS/STATE: Authorizes the transfer of certain state property in Orleans Parish from the Charity Hospital and Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans to the Regional Transit Authority of New Orleans

HB 1567 K CARTER – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Transfer of property from the State of Louisiana situated in Orleans Parish to the city of New Orleans

HB 1592 DANIEL – PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Relative to responsibility for improvements on state land

WILFRED PIERRE
Chairman

Weekly Committee Schedules

The following committees posted weekly committee schedules as follows:

Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

Wednesday, April 9, 2003
Committee Room No. 3
9:30 A.M.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

HB 133 PINAC — ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Provides relative to the Louisiana Economic Development Council and other entities in the office of the governor

HB 324 LANCASTER — SUNSET LAW: Repeals the termination date of the Department of Elections and Registration

HB 325 LANCASTER — SUNSET LAW: Re-creates the Department of State

HB 326 LANCASTER — SUNSET LAW: Re-creates the Department of State Civil Service

HB 1211 BRUNEAU — ELECTION CODE: Makes changes to the Election Code

HB 1359 TOWNSEND — WILDLIFE/ENFORCEMENT: Transfers the enforcement division of the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries to the office of state police

HB 1208 DEWITT — GOVERNOR/MANSION: Increases the number of members on the La. Governor's Mansion Commission and provides for certain access to property under its control

HB 858 LANCASTER — CIVIL SERVICE/COMMISSION: Provides for procedures for the election of the classified employee member of the State Civil Service Commission

HB 1226 THOMPSON — AGRICULTURE: Changes statutory references to reflect name change to the House and Senate Committees on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture and Rural Development

HR 13 THOMPSON — HOUSE/RULES: Provides relative to changing the name of the House Committee on Agriculture

HB 1768 MURRAY — PUBLIC BLDGS/GROUNDS-ST : Use of unlicensed state vehicles within the State Capitol Complex (Subject to referral)

HCR 18 PINAC — SAVINGS & LOAN ASSNS: Authorizes and requests the Louisiana State Law Institute to review certain statutory provisions and changes references

HCR 25 PINAC — FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: Authorizes and requests the Louisiana State Law Institute to review certain statutory provisions and change references

Thursday, April 10, 2003
9:30

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

HB 779 BRUNEAU — REAPPORTIONMENT/HOUSE: Provides for redistricting of the Louisiana House of Representatives

Committee Oversight: Proposed rules submitted by Department of State, division of archives, relative to records management policies and practices

Committee Oversight: Briefing on purchase of new electronic voting machines by Department of Elections and Registration; demonstration of voting machines by vendor representative

CHARLES D. LANCASTER, JR.
Chairman

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