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Under the Adoption of the
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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Thursday, May 26, 2005

The Committee was called to order at 9:35 A.M. by Chairman Thompson.

On motion of Rep. Alario, the calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Alario, the Committee took under consideration House Bill No. 1 at this time.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND TRICHE
AN ACT

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

Read by title.

Motion

Rep. Jackson moved to suspend House Rule 6.25 to consider House Bill No. 1 in the Committee of the Whole House by schedule.

Rep. Tucker objected.

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

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Farrar	Montgomery
Alario	Faucheux	Morrell
Arnold	Frith	Odinot
Badon	Gallot	Pierre
Baldone	Glover	Pinac
Barrow	Gray	Powell, T.
Baylor	Hammett	Quezaire
Bruce	Heaton	Richmond
Burrell	Hill	Ritchie
Carter, K.	Honey	Romero
Carter, R.	Hopkins	Shepherd
Crane	Hunter	Smith, G.

Curtis
Damico
Daniel
Dartez
DeWitt
Doerge
Dorsey
Total - 57

Jackson
Jefferson
Kenney
LaFonta
Marchand
McDonald
McVea

Smith, J.D.—50th
Smith, J.R.—30th
St. Germain
Thompson
Townsend
Triche
Wooton

NAYS

Alexander
Ansardi
Beard
Bowler
Bruneau
Burns
Crowe
Dove
Downs
Durand
Erdey
Fannin
Geymann
Total - 38

Greene
Hebert
Johns
Katz
Kennard
Kleckley
LaBruzzo
Lambert
Lancaster
Martiny
Pitre
Powell, M.
Robideaux

Scalise
Smiley
Smith, J.H.—8th
Strain
Toomy
Trahan
Tucker
Waddell
Walker
Walsworth
White
Winston

ABSENT

Baudoin
Cazayoux
Cravins
Guillory, E.
Total - 10

Guillory, M.
Hutter
LaFleur
Morrish

Schneider
Wright

The motion to suspend House Rule 6.25 to consider House Bill No. 1 in the Committee of the Whole House by schedule, not having received a favorable vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting, failed to pass.

Under the rules, the Committee of the Whole House, in considering House Bill No. 1, proceeded *seriatim*.

Suspension of the Rules

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

Rep. Tucker sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Tucker in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 7, at the end of line 13, insert the following:

"Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary, the commissioner of administration is authorized and directed to utilize the additional State General Fund (Direct) for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference at its May 16, 2005 meeting for the certificated pay raises set forth in Section 18 hereof."

Rep. Tucker moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

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YEAS

Table with 3 columns of names: Alexander, Boudoin, Beard, Bowler, Bruneau, Burns, Crowe, Dove, Downs, Erdey, Fannin, Farrar, Fauchoux, Frith, Geymann, Greene, Total - 46; Guillory, M., Hebert, Johns, Katz, Kennard, Kleckley, LaBruzzo, Lambert, Lancaster, Martiny, Morrish, Pitre, Powell, M., Powell, T., Robideaux, Scalise; Schneider, Shepherd, Smiley, Smith, G., Smith, J.H.-8th, Strain, Trahan, Tucker, Waddell, Walker, Walsworth, White, Winston, Wright.

NAYS

Table with 3 columns of names: Mr. Speaker, Alario, Arnold, Badon, Baldone, Barrow, Baylor, Bruce, Burrell, Carter, K., Carter, R., Crane, Curtis, Damico, Dartez, DeWitt, Total - 48; Doerge, Dorsey, Durand, Gallot, Glover, Gray, Guillory, E., Hammett, Honey, Hopkins, Hunter, Jackson, Jefferson, Kenney, LaFonta, McDonald; McVea, Montgomery, Morrell, Odinet, Pinac, Quezaire, Richmond, Ritchie, Romero, Smith, J.D.-50th, Smith, J.R.-30th, St. Germain, Thompson, Toomy, Townsend, Wooton.

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns of names: Ansardi, Cazayoux, Cravins, Daniel, Total - 11; Heaton, Hill, Hutter, LaFleur; Marchand, Pierre, Triche.

The amendments were rejected.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Richmond, and under a suspension of the rules, the above roll call was corrected to reflect him as voting nay.

Suspension of the Rules

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Alario in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 66, line 22, after "in" and before "programs" change "pre-released" to "pre-release"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 68, line 14, after "in" and before "programs" change "pre-released" to "pre-release"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 69, line 41, after "in" and before "programs" change "pre-released" to "pre-release"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 70, line 53, after "in" and before "programs" change "pre-released" to "pre-release"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 72, line 14, after "in" and before "programs" change "pre-released" to "pre-release"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 85, line 44, change "84,781,863" to "81,484,609"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 86, line 34, change "216,667,858" to "213,370,604"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 160, line 17, after "that the" and before "million" change "\$6" to "\$10"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 189, delete lines 36 through 45 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 190, delete lines 1 through 9 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 212, at the end of line 26, change "scholarship/" to "Scholarship/"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 216, delete line 58 in its entirety and insert the following:

"data 2%"

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Alario in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 34, between lines 28 and 29, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Museum and Other Operations Program for the relocation of a marble statue from the Shreveport Fairgrounds to the Louisiana State Oil and Gas Museum \$ 15,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 51, delete lines 2 through 4 in their entirety and insert the following:

"to the Business Development Program for the South Louisiana Economic Development Council for the Center for Economic Growth and Technology \$ 200,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 88, line 11, change "100,000" to "85,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 101, line 38, change "1,042,117,776" to "1,012,572,660"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 101, line 46, change "173,127,995" to "202,673,111"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 102, between lines 39 and 40, insert the following:

"FOR:

Payments to Private Providers Program for an increase in Medicaid reimbursement rates for Dental EPSDT services	\$ 836,120
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 836,120</u>

FROM:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 250,000
Federal Funds	<u>\$ 586,120</u>
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	<u>\$ 836,120</u>

FOR:

Uncompensated Care Costs Program for operational expenses of the Louisiana Health Care Services Divisions associated with joint operation of public health clinics	\$ 4,170,166
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 4,170,166</u>

FROM:

Federal Funds	<u>\$ 4,170,166</u>
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	<u>\$ 4,170,166</u>

Provided, however, that this appropriation shall not become effective until a cooperative endeavor agreement is entered into between the Louisiana State University Health Care Services Division and the city of New Orleans for the joint operation of any public health clinic in the city of New Orleans. The Louisiana State University Health Care Services Division may enter into agreements with the city of New Orleans to receive non-state funds as match for the federal portion of Medicaid Uncompensated Care payments appropriated herein and may enter into employment and other agreements as deemed appropriate to jointly operate public health clinics with the city of New Orleans. Any agreement with the city of New Orleans to jointly operate a public health clinic must be approved by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget prior to implementation."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 103, between lines 25 and 26, insert the following:

"FOR:

Payments to Uncompensated Care Costs for rural hospitals and rural health clinics	\$ 4,634,227
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 4,634,227</u>

FROM:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 1,400,000
Federal Funds	<u>\$ 3,234,227</u>
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	<u>\$ 4,634,227</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 148, after line 46, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Conservation Fund to the Louisiana Charter Boat Association for printing and distribution of materials promoting Louisiana's charter boat industry \$ 50,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 199, line 45, change "1,921,961" to "2,029,712"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 199, line 46, change "1,921,961" to "2,029,712"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 199, line 49, change "1,615,791" to "1,723,542"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 199, line 52, change "1,921,961" to "2,029,712"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 200, line 1, after "of the" and before "in Fees" change "1,921,961" to "2,029,712"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 200, line 10, change "2,949" to "110,700"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 248, line 52, change "4,081,250" to "4,281,250"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 249, line 15, change "4,081,250" to "4,281,250"

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

Rep. Walsworth sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Walsworth in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 12, between lines 45 and 46, insert the following:

"Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the amount of \$16,050,450 appropriated herein for the Urban and Rural Development Programs shall be expended and apportioned as follows. The total shall be divided by one hundred forty-four with an equal amount designated for expenditure within each of the one hundred forty-four legislative districts."

Rep. Walsworth moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

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YEAS

Alexander	Fannin	Robideaux
Arnold	Farrar	Scalise
Baldone	Faucheux	Smiley
Baudoin	Geymann	Smith, G.
Beard	Greene	Smith, J.H.—8th
Bowler	Hebert	Strain
Bruce	Johns	Toomy
Bruneau	Katz	Trahan
Burns	Kleckley	Tucker
Crane	Lambert	Waddell
Crowe	Lancaster	Walker
Damico	McVea	Walsworth
Dove	Pitre	White
Erdey	Powell, M.	Winston

Total - 42

NAYS

Mr. Speaker	Gallot	Pinac
Alario	Glover	Powell, T.
Badon	Gray	Quezaire
Barrow	Guillory, E.	Richmond
Burrell	Hammett	Ritchie
Carter, K.	Honey	Romero
Carter, R.	Hopkins	Shepherd
Cravins	Hunter	Smith, J.D.—50th
Curtis	Jackson	Smith, J.R.—30th
Dartez	Jefferson	St. Germain
DeWitt	Kenney	Thompson
Doerge	LaFonta	Townsend
Dorsey	Marchand	Triche
Downs	Montgomery	Wooton
Durand	Morrell	
Frith	Odinet	

Total - 46

ABSENT

Ansardi	Hill	McDonald
Baylor	Hutter	Morrish
Cazayoux	Kennard	Pierre
Daniel	LaBruzzo	Schneider
Guillory, M.	LaFleur	Wright
Heaton	Martiny	

Total - 17

The amendments were rejected.

Rep. Tucker sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Tucker in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 43, line 1, change "31,333,694" to "19,333,694"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 45, line 37, change "12,431,124" to "430,124"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 45, line 53, change "95,584,763" to "83,584,763"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 45, after line 56, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General by Statutory Dedications out of the Pari-mutuel Live Racing Facility Gaming Control Fund to the Louisiana Agricultural Finance

Authority, but only in such amount as is necessary to pay the annual principal and interest due on the bonds described as "\$45,000,000 Louisiana Agricultural Finance Authority Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds (Lacassine Syrup Mill Project), Series 2004", not to exceed \$12,000,000

\$ 12,000,000

Provided, however, that the state treasurer shall determine the amount of the annual principal and interest due on the bonds in Fiscal Year 2005-2006 and the balance of this appropriations shall be deposited and apportioned as follows: fifty percent (50%) to the Rural Road Fund; twenty-five(25%) percent to the Community Based Primary Care Initiative Fund; and twenty-five percent (25%) to the Louisiana Housing Trust Fund."

Rep. Tucker moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Alexander	Greene	Schneider
Ansardi	Hunter	Smiley
Baldone	Johns	Smith, G.
Beard	Katz	Smith, J.H.—8th
Bowler	Kleckley	Trahan
Bruneau	Lambert	Tucker
Burns	Lancaster	Waddell
Carter, K.	Martiny	Walsworth
Crowe	Pitre	Winston
Dove	Powell, M.	Wooton
Erdey	Robideaux	
Faucheux	Scalise	

Total - 34

NAYS

Mr. Speaker	Fannin	Montgomery
Alario	Farrar	Odinet
Arnold	Frith	Pinac
Badon	Gallot	Powell, T.
Barrow	Glover	Quezaire
Baudoin	Gray	Richmond
Baylor	Guillory, E.	Ritchie
Bruce	Hammett	Romero
Burrell	Hebert	Shepherd
Carter, R.	Hill	Smith, J.D.—50th
Cazayoux	Honey	Smith, J.R.—30th
Crane	Hopkins	St. Germain
Cravins	Jackson	Strain
Curtis	Jefferson	Thompson
Damico	Kenney	Toomy
Dartez	LaFleur	Townsend
Doerge	LaFonta	Triche
Dorsey	Marchand	White
Downs	McDonald	
Durand	McVea	

Total - 58

ABSENT

Daniel	Hutter	Pierre
DeWitt	Kennard	Walker
Geymann	LaBruzzo	Wright
Guillory, M.	Morrell	
Heaton	Morrish	

Total - 13

The amendments were rejected.

Motion

Rep. DeWitt moved to suspend House Rule 6.25 to consider House Bill No. 1 in the Committee of the Whole House by schedule.

Rep. Greene objected.

By a vote of 60 yeas and 35 nays, the motion to suspend House Rule 6.25 to consider House Bill No. 1 in the Committee of the Whole House by schedule, not having received a favorable vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting, failed to pass.

Rep. Tucker sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Tucker in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 103, between lines 25 and 26, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals shall not be authorized to establish a nursing home provider fee that exceeds the fee set in place on May 1, 2005."

Rep. Tucker moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Alexander	Katz	Strain
Arnold	Kennard	Toomy
Barrow	Kleckley	Trahan
Baudoin	LaBruzzo	Triche
Beard	Lambert	Tucker
Bowler	Lancaster	Waddell
Bruneau	Pitre	Walker
Burns	Powell, M.	Walsworth
Cravins	Scalise	White
Crowe	Schneider	Winston
Dove	Smiley	
Erdey	Smith, J.H.-8th	
Total - 34		

NAYS

Mr. Speaker	Faucheux	LaFonta
Alario	Frith	Marchand
Badon	Gallot	Montgomery
Baldone	Glover	Morrell
Carter, K.	Gray	Pinac
Carter, R.	Guillory, E.	Powell, T.
Cazayoux	Hammatt	Ritchie
Crane	Hebert	Romero
Dartez	Hill	Smith, G.
DeWitt	Honey	Smith, J.D.-50th
Doerge	Hunter	Smith, J.R.-30th
Dorsey	Jackson	St. Germain
Durand	Jefferson	Thompson
Fannin	Johns	Townsend
Farrar	Kenney	Wooton
Total - 45		

ABSENT

Ansardi	Greene	Morrish
Baylor	Guillory, M.	Odinot

Bruce	Heaton	Pierre
Burrell	Hopkins	Quezaire
Curtis	Hutter	Richmond
Damico	LaFleur	Robideaux
Daniel	Martiny	Shepherd
Downs	McDonald	Wright
Geymann	McVea	
Total - 26		

The amendments were rejected.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Barrow, and under a suspension of the rules, the above roll call was corrected to reflect her as voting yea.

Acting Chairman John Smith in the Chair

Rep. Beard sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Beard in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 108, after line 53, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that no portion of the appropriations contained herein shall be expended for the purchase or distribution of condoms."

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

Rep. Beard sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representatives Beard and Scalise in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 124, between lines 37 and 38, insert the following:

"Within the Department of Social Services, Office of Family Support for the implementation of the Abortion Alternatives Initiative \$ 500,000"

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

Motion

Rep. DeWitt moved that the Committee of the Whole House rise and report.

Rep. Hebert objected.

Rep. DeWitt withdrew his motion to rise and report.

Chairman Thompson in the Chair

Motion

Rep. Morrell moved to suspend House Rule 6.25 to consider House Bill No. 1 in the Committee of the Whole House by schedule.

Rep. Tucker objected.

As a substitute motion, Rep. Jack Smith moved to rise and report.

Rep. Tucker objected.

The vote recurred on the substitute motion.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Baylor	DeWitt	Romero
Bruce	Durand	Smith, J.D.-50th
Carter, R.	Hammett	Thompson
Crane	Honey	Townsend
Curtis	LaFonta	
Dartez	Morrell	
Total - 16		

NAYS

Mr. Speaker	Faucheux	Montgomery
Alario	Frith	Odinet
Alexander	Gallot	Pinac
Arnold	Glover	Pitre
Badon	Gray	Powell, M.
Baldone	Greene	Richmond
Barrow	Guillory, E.	Ritchie
Baudoin	Guillory, M.	Scalise
Beard	Hebert	Schneider
Bowler	Hill	Smiley
Bruneau	Hopkins	Smith, G.
Burns	Jackson	Smith, J.H.-8th
Burrell	Jefferson	Smith, J.R.-30th
Carter, K.	Johns	St. Germain
Cazayoux	Katz	Strain
Cravins	Kennard	Toomy
Crowe	Kenney	Trahan
Damico	Kleckley	Triche
Doerge	LaBruzzo	Tucker
Dorsey	LaFleur	Waddell
Dove	Lambert	Walsworth
Downs	Lancaster	White
Erdey	Marchand	Winston
Fannin	Martiny	Wooton
Farrar	McVea	Wright
Total - 75		

ABSENT

Ansardi	Hutter	Quezaire
Daniel	McDonald	Robideaux
Geymann	Morrish	Shepherd
Heaton	Pierre	Walker
Hunter	Powell, T.	
Total - 14		

The substitute motion to rise and report failed to pass.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Gray, and under a suspension of the rules, the above roll call was corrected to reflect her as voting nay.

Rep. Morrell insisted on his motion to suspend House Rule 6.25 to consider House Bill No. 1 in the Committee of the Whole House by schedule.

The vote recurred on the motion to suspend House Rule 6.25.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Doerge	Marchand
Alario	Dorsey	McVea
Arnold	Dove	Montgomery
Badon	Durand	Morrell
Baldone	Frith	Pinac
Barrow	Gallot	Quezaire
Baudoin	Glover	Richmond
Baylor	Gray	Ritchie
Bruce	Guillory, E.	Romero
Burrell	Hammett	Smith, J.D.-50th
Carter, K.	Hill	Smith, J.R.-30th
Carter, R.	Honey	St. Germain
Cazayoux	Hopkins	Thompson
Crane	Jackson	Toomy
Curtis	Jefferson	Townsend
Damico	Kenney	Triche
Dartez	LaFleur	Wooton
DeWitt	LaFonta	
Total - 53		

NAYS

Alexander	Guillory, M.	Schneider
Beard	Hebert	Smiley
Bowler	Johns	Smith, G.
Bruneau	Katz	Smith, J.H.-8th
Burns	Kennard	Strain
Cravins	Kleckley	Trahan
Crowe	LaBruzzo	Tucker
Downs	Lambert	Waddell
Erdey	Lancaster	Walker
Fannin	Martiny	Walsworth
Farrar	Pitre	White
Faucheux	Powell, M.	Winston
Greene	Scalise	Wright
Total - 39		

ABSENT

Ansardi	Hutter	Powell, T.
Daniel	McDonald	Robideaux
Geymann	Morrish	Shepherd
Heaton	Odinet	
Hunter	Pierre	
Total - 13		

The motion to suspend House Rule 6.25 to consider House Bill No. 1 in the Committee of the Whole House by schedule, not having received a favorable vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting, failed to pass.

Rep. Beard sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Beard in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 159, at the end of line 4, change "9,300,000" to "6,300,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 175, between lines 46 and 47, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications from the Higher Education Initiatives Fund to Southern University-Baton Rouge for the Southern University Business and Research Corporation for bio-tech, cellular research, and sickle cell anemia outreach \$ 3,000,000"

Rep. Beard moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 19 yeas and 71 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Rep. Triche sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representatives Triche and Hunter in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 173, delete lines 18 through 27 in their entirety and insert the following:

"FOR:
General Operational Expenses in the Louisiana State University System \$ 8,762,585

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 8,762,585

FROM:
State General Fund (Direct) \$ 8,762,585

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 8,762,585

Provided, however, that of the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated herein for General Operational Expenses in the Louisiana State University System, allocations will be made as follows:

Louisiana State University and A&M College - Baton Rouge	\$ 2,938,154
Louisiana State University - Alexandria	\$ 122,521
University of New Orleans	\$ 912,418
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center - New Orleans	\$ 1,891,163
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center - Shreveport	\$ 897,301
E.A. Conway Medical Center	\$ 129,137
Louisiana State University - Eunice	\$ 121,444
Louisiana State University - Shreveport	\$ 215,817
Louisiana State University - Agricultural Center	\$ 1,222,689
Paul M. Hebert Law Center	\$ 134,587
Pennington Biomedical Research Center	\$ 177,354

Provided, however, that the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated herein shall be used exclusively to fund merit increases, group insurance, and retirement costs."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 179, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

"FOR:
General Operational Expenses in the Southern University System \$ 1,196,726

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 1,196,726

FROM:
State General Fund (Direct) \$ 1,196,726

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 1,196,726

Provided, however, that of the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated herein for General Operational Expenses in the Southern University System, allocations will be made as follows:

Southern University and A&M College - Baton Rouge	\$ 708,127
Southern University Law Center	\$ 93,837
Southern University - New Orleans	\$ 228,008
Southern University - Shreveport	\$ 104,049
Southern University Agricultural Center	\$ 62,705

Provided, however, that the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated herein shall be used exclusively to fund merit increases, group insurance, and retirements costs."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 179, delete lines 21 through 30 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 190, between lines 33 and 34, insert the following:

"FOR:
General Operational Expenses in the University of Louisiana System \$ 4,979,983

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 4,979,983

FROM:
State General Fund (Direct) \$ 4,979,983

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCE \$ 4,979,983

Provided, however, that of the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated herein for General Operational Expenses in the University of Louisiana System, allocations will be made as follows:

Nicholls State University	\$ 405,166
Grambling State University	\$ 414,885
Louisiana Tech University	\$ 707,553
McNeese State University	\$ 441,934
University of Louisiana - Monroe	\$ 729,853
Northwestern State University	\$ 485,806
Southeastern Louisiana University	\$ 766,962
University of Louisiana - Lafayette	\$ 1,027,824

Provided, however, the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated herein shall be used exclusively to fund merit increases, group insurance, and retirement costs."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 190, delete lines 34 through 43 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 201, delete lines 18 through 28 in their entirety and insert the following:

"FOR:
General operational expenses in the Louisiana Community and Technical College System \$ 2,536,862

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 2,536,862

FROM:
State General Fund (Direct) \$ 2,536,862

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCE \$ 2,536,862

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Provided, however, that of the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated herein for general operational expenses in the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, allocations will be made as follows:

Baton Rouge Community College	\$	93,890
Delgado Community College	\$	593,009
Nunez Community College	\$	86,729
Bossier Parish Community College	\$	202,695
South Louisiana Community College	\$	61,314
River Parishes Community College	\$	40,528
Louisiana Delta Community College	\$	49,467
Louisiana Technical College	\$	1,248,973
SOWELA Technical Community College	\$	105,843
L.E. Fletcher Technical Community College	\$	54,414

Provided, however, that the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated herein shall be used exclusively to fund merit increases, group insurance, and retirement costs."

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

Rep. Triche sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representatives Triche, Pitre, Baldone, and Dove in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Alario

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 256, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct)
for operational expenses of Leonard J. Chabert
Medical Center \$ 200,000

Provided, however, the commissioner of administration shall reduce the annual appropriation allocated and distributed to Terrebone and Lafourche Parishes from the Rural Development Fund by the amount of \$200,000, but not to exceed the amount allocated and distributed to Terrebone and Lafourche Parish from the Rural Development Fund."

On motion of Rep. Triche, the amendment was adopted.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Alario, the Committee of the Whole House agreed to rise and report.

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House