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Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974

House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Thursday, May 31, 2007

The Committee was called to order at 9:50 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 REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO
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.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Alario, the Committee agreed to suspend the rules to consider House Bill No. 1 by schedule.

Rep. Alario sent up floor 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 18, line 3, change "Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness" to "Administrative"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 27, delete lines 9 and 10 in their entirety and insert the following:

"to the Parish Councils on Aging Program for the Vernon Council on Aging, Inc. for the Pitkin Senior Citizens Center, Inc. \$ 10,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 28, line 3, change "50,000" to "75,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 28, delete lines 13 through 15 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 41, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Sex Offender Registry Technology Fund to the Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud Program for acquisition, implementation, and support of a computer system to assist the sheriff of each parish to monitor and track convicted sex offenders, sexually violent predators, and child predators residing in each such parish according to the State Sex Offender and Child Predator Public Registry, in the event that House Bill No. 504 of the 2007 Regular Session of the Legislature is enacted into law \$ 200,000"

Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Sex Offender Registry Technology Fund to the Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud Program to be distributed to the sheriff of each parish no later than June 15, 2008, based on the population of convicted sex offenders, sexually violent predators, and child predators residing in the respective parish according to the State Sex Offender and Child Predator Public Registry, in the event that House Bill No. 504 of the 2007 Regular Session of the Legislature is enacted into law \$ 250,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 42, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Fees and Self-generated Revenues to the Grants Program for the Louisiana Serve Commission \$ 65,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 49, delete line 26 in its entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 54, delete lines 23 through 26 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 54, between lines 37 and 38, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Interagency Transfers from Southern University to the Business Development Program for technical assistance services to small and minority-owned businesses \$ 15,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 55, delete lines 7 through 11 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 64, at the end of line 22, change "Louisiana" to "Lafayette"

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AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 85, line 18, change "56,998,770" to "57,039,771"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 85, line 20, change "232,517" to "181,516"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 90, line 26, change "25,165,872" to "25,114,871"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 90, line 28, change "54,435" to "105,436"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 94, delete lines 1 through 8 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 94, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

"ADDITIONAL FUNDING RELATED TO HURRICANE DISASTER RECOVERY"

EXPENDITURES:

Auxiliary Account - Authorized Positions (7) \$ 4,894,318

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 4,894,318

MEANS OF FINANCE:

State General Fund by:

Interagency Transfers \$ 4,894,318

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 4,894,318

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 115, line 34, change "55,789,124" to "55,749,124"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 116, line 1, change "23,325,828" to "23,365,828"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 117, line 12, after "initiatives" and before "5,382,530" insert ", including three (3) positions"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 120, line 39, after "Program" and before "2,000,000" insert ", including eighteen (18) positions"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 132, between lines 30 and 31, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Administration Program for operational expenses of the Louisiana Assistive Technology Access Network (LATAN) \$ 400,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 133, line 3, change "3,359,500" to "3,162,865"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 133, line 15, change "98,214,460" to "98,411,095"

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 139, delete lines 5 through 17 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 141, between lines 30 and 31, insert the following:

"ADDITIONAL FUNDING RELATED TO HURRICANE DISASTER RECOVERY"

EXPENDITURES:

Client Payments \$ 9,400,000

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 9,400,000

MEANS OF FINANCE:

Federal Funds \$ 9,400,000

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 9,400,000

Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the 2004 Overcollections Fund to the Client Services Program for the Louisiana Family Recovery Corporation to provide direct response to residents returning home after the 2005 hurricanes \$ 10,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 150, line 55, after "of the" delete the remainder of the line, and delete line 56 in its entirety and insert the following:

"barrier islands and shorelines stabilization and preservation program \$ 46,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 151, line 12, after "of the" delete the remainder of the line, and delete line 13 in its entirety and insert the following:

"barrier islands and shorelines stabilization and preservation program \$ 18,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 167, at the beginning of line 21, delete "Conservation of the"

AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 168, between lines 35 and 36, 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 and for the general promotion and protection of Louisiana fisheries \$ 50,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 31

On page 168, line 36, after "ADDITIONAL", delete the remainder of the line and insert "FUNDING RELATED TO HURRICANE DISASTER RECOVERY"

AMENDMENT NO. 32

On page 172, at the end of line 46, change "641,101" to "641,101"

AMENDMENT NO. 33

On page 174, line 41, after "increase," and before "return" insert "faculty"

AMENDMENT NO. 34

On page 176, delete lines 13 through 19 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 35

On page 177, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

"ADDITIONAL FUNDING RELATED TO HURRICANE DISASTER RECOVERY

EXPENDITURES:	
Board of Regents	\$ 7,728,940
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 7,728,940

MEANS OF FINANCE:	
Federal Funds	\$ 7,728,940
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$ 7,728,940

AMENDMENT NO. 36

On page 178, delete lines 19 through 22 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 37

On page 179, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Louisiana State University Board of Supervisors for Jefferson Parish Truancy Assessment and Service Center for operating expenses \$ 150,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 38

On page 179, after line 61, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Two Percent Fire Insurance Fund for Delgado Community College for the development and operation of a firefighter training center, in the event that House Bill No. 829 of the 2007 Regular Session of the Legislature is enacted into law \$ 70,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 39

On page 180, line 2, change "229,803,696" to "10,698,541"

AMENDMENT NO. 40

On page 187, at the end of line 38, after "Control" insert "Fund \$50,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 41

On page 187, delete line 39 in its entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 42

On page 227, delete lines 20 through 23 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 43

On page 232, after line 46, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the School and Community Support Program for the St. Mary's Residential Training School \$ 200,000"

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the School and Community Support Program for Central Iberville Community Complex, Inc. for after-school tutorial programs \$ 10,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 44

On page 234, line 53, change "January 1, 2007" to "January 1, 2008"

AMENDMENT NO. 45

On page 244, line 3, after "**20-451**", delete the remainder of the line and insert "**LOCAL HOUSING OF STATE ADULT OFFENDERS**"

AMENDMENT NO. 46

On page 253, delete lines 39 through 41 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Provided, however, that in the event that House Bill No. 829 of the 2007 Regular Session is enacted into law, the commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to adjust the means of finance for this agency by reducing the appropriation out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Two Percent Fire Insurance Fund by \$70,000."

AMENDMENT NO. 47

On page 258, line 2, after "House in" and before "for" change "Shriever" to "Schriever"

AMENDMENT NO. 48

On page 261, line 26, change "25,000" to "50,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 49

On page 263, delete lines 6 and 7 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the town of Greensburg for the Greensburg Volunteer Fire Department \$ 20,000"

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the North Helena Fire District \$ 20,000"

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the St. Helena Tourist Commission \$ 60,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 50

On page 267, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Boys and Girls Club of Northeast Louisiana \$ 25,000"

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the South Louisiana Economic Council, Inc. for the Center for Economic Growth and Technology \$ 100,000"

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the city of Lake Charles for Fitzenreiter Park \$ 200,000"

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Tensas Parish Police Jury Recreation District \$ 20,000"

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to Community Services of Richland, Inc. for operational expenses \$ 30,000"

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Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to Urban Housing of America, Inc., Louisiana, for the youth entrepreneurship program	\$ 150,000
Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Downtown Development District of the City of New Orleans	\$ 220,000
Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the 2004 Overcollections Fund to the city of New Orleans for the New Orleans Police Department for school buses, recruiting efforts, vans, mobile command units, armored vehicles, bulletproof vests, patrol cars, and bonuses for lateral officers hired from other states	\$ 6,640,000
Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the 2004 Overcollections Fund to the city of New Orleans, to be expended in the same manner as monies received by the city pursuant to Act No. 641 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature	\$ 4,171,899
Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the 2004 Overcollections Fund to Cameron Parish, to be expended in the same manner as monies received by the parish pursuant to Act No. 641 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature	\$ 22,847
Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the 2004 Overcollections Fund to Plaquemines Parish, to be expended in the same manner as monies received by the parish pursuant to Act No. 641 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature	\$ 155,603
Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the 2004 Overcollections Fund to St. Bernard Parish, to be expended in the same manner as monies received by the parish pursuant to Act No. 641 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature	\$ 666,322
Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the 2004 Overcollections Fund to be distributed as follows:	
\$1,125,000 to be distributed pursuant to the formula provided in R.S. 47:843(E) (3 cents distribution formula), and \$1,875,000 distributed pursuant to the formula provided in R.S. 47:868-869 (8 cents distribution formula)	\$ 3,000,000
Provided, however, that notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the source for population data to be utilized by the state treasurer in making this distribution shall be the same source as is utilized in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 State Revenue Sharing distribution."	
<u>AMENDMENT NO. 51</u>	
On page 269, delete line 8 in its entirety and insert the following:	
"Statutory Dedication: Deficit Elimination/Capital Outlay Replenishment	\$ 89,717"

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

Rep. Tucker sent up floor 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 1, at the beginning of line 6, change "Section 1." to "Section 1.A."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:

"Section 1.B. The appropriations in this Act from State General Fund (Direct) shall be reduced and adjusted by the commissioner of administration pursuant to the provisions of this Subsection, notwithstanding any other provision of this Act to the contrary. The commissioner of administration is authorized and directed to, no later than August 15, 2007, adjust the total means of finance for and within each schedule, which may also be referred to in this Act as a department, by reducing the appropriation out of the State General Fund (Direct) in the amount specified in this Subsection. Reductions shall not be made with respect to the finance of any pay increase provided for in this Act, which shall include extra compensation as provided in the Constitution of Louisiana. Any adjustment to the means of finance related to the funding of the table of organization for an agency shall be first applied to monies which finance positions which have been vacant for at least six months as of the effective date of this Act. The commissioner of administration is authorized and directed to adjust the means of finance contained in this Act for the following schedules or departments in the following amounts:

01 Executive Department	\$ 13,346,734
03 Department of Veterans Affairs	\$ 2,928,211
04 Statewide Elected Officials	\$ 0
05 Department of Economic Development	\$ 5,095,612
06 Department of Culture Recreation and Tourism	\$ 4,375,718
07 Department of Transportation and Development	\$ 0
08 Department of Corrections	\$ 13,541,791
08 Department of Public Safety	\$ 5,373,690
08 Department of Youth Services	\$ 11,146,756
09 Department of Health and Hospitals	\$ 9,296,155
10 Department of Social Services	\$ 18,723,941
11 Department of Natural Resources	\$ 731,956
12 Department of Revenue	\$ 0
13 Department of Environmental Quality	\$ 38,500
14 Department of Labor	\$ 0
16 Department of Wildlife and Fisheries	\$ 0
17 Department of Civil Service	\$ 0
18 Retirement System	\$ 0
19 Higher Education	\$ 116,646,437
19 Special Schools and Commissions	\$ 12,377,067
19 Department of Education	\$ 43,120,000
19 Health Care Services Division of LSU	\$ 0
20 Other Requirements	\$ 24,500,897

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	Johns	Romero
Beard	Katz	Scalise
Bowler	Kleckley	Schneider
Burns	LaBruzzo	Smiley
Crane	Lambert	Smith, J.H.–8th
Crowe	Lancaster	Strain
Daniel	Lorusso	Toomy
Dove	Martiny	Trahan
Erdey	Morris	Tucker
Frith	Morrish	Waddell
Geymann	Pitre	Walsworth
Greene	Powell, M.	Wooton
Hebert	Robideaux	
Total - 38		

NAYS

Mr. Speaker	Downs	McDonald
Alario	Durand	McVea
Anders	Fannin	Montgomery
Ansardi	Farrar	Morrell
Arnold	Faucheux	Odinet
Badon	Gallot	Pierre
Baldone	Gray	Pinac
Barrow	Guillory, E.J.	Powell, T.
Baudoin	Guillory, E.L.	Quezaire
Baylor	Guillory, M.	Richmond
Bruce	Harris	Ritchie
Burrell	Hill	Smith, G.
Carter, K.	Honey	Smith, J.D.–50th
Carter, R.	Hunter	Smith, J.R.–30th
Cazayoux	Hutter	St. Germain
Chandler	Jackson	Thompson
Curtis	Jefferson	Townsend
Damico	Kenney	Triche
DeWitt	LaFleur	Walker
Doerge	LaFonta	Williams
Dorsey	Marchand	Winston
Total - 63		

ABSENT

Dartez	Kennard
Heaton	White
Total - 4	

The amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 5, between lines 23 and 24, insert the following:

"F.(1) The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to reduce the table of organization for the appropriations contained in Section 18 of this Act by a total amount of 1,532 authorized positions, to be allocated among the following departments: Executive (47), Veteran's Affairs (8), Secretary of State (5), Insurance (9), Agriculture and Forestry (25), Economic Development (5), Culture, Recreation, and Tourism (64), Health and Hospitals (824), Social Services (56), Corrections (171), Public

Safety (14), Natural Resources (39), Revenue (23), Environmental Quality (19), Labor (65), Wildlife and Fisheries (29), Civil Service (3), Special Schools and Commissions (12), and Education (79).

(2) The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to reduce appropriations for the budget units listed in Subparagraph A of this Paragraph, for a total reduction in means of finance from all budget units amounting to no less than \$23,382,232 from State General Fund (Direct), \$4,293,474 from Fees and Self-generated Revenues, and \$10,102,853 from Statutory Dedications."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 70, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Engineering Highway Program for road construction and related purposes \$ 11,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 150, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for the Louisiana Coastal Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Program \$ 11,000,000"

Rep. Scalise 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	Kleckley	Romero
Ansardi	LaBruzzo	Scalise
Beard	Lancaster	Schneider
Bowler	Lorusso	Smiley
Burns	Martiny	Strain
Crowe	McVea	Toomy
Dove	Montgomery	Trahan
Erdey	Morris	Tucker
Geymann	Morrish	Waddell
Greene	Pitre	Walsworth
Hutter	Powell, M.	Winston
Johns	Powell, T.	Wooton
Katz	Robideaux	
Total - 38		

NAYS

Mr. Speaker	Dorsey	LaFonta
Alario	Downs	Lambert
Anders	Durand	Marchand
Arnold	Fannin	McDonald
Badon	Farrar	Morrell
Baldone	Faucheux	Odinet
Barrow	Gallot	Pierre
Baudoin	Gray	Pinac
Baylor	Guillory, E.J.	Quezaire
Bruce	Guillory, E.L.	Richmond
Burrell	Guillory, M.	Ritchie
Carter, K.	Harris	Smith, G.
Carter, R.	Hebert	Smith, J.D.–50th

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Cazayoux	Hill	Smith, J.R.–30th
Chandler	Honey	St. Germain
Crane	Hunter	Thompson
Curtis	Jackson	Townsend
Damico	Jefferson	Triche
Daniel	Kennard	Walker
DeWitt	Kenney	White
Doerge	LaFleur	Williams
Total - 63		

ABSENT

Dartez	Heaton
Frith	Smith, J.H.–8th
Total - 4	

The amendments were rejected.

Suspension of the Rules

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 8, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

"Section 17.A. The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to reduce State General Fund (Direct) appropriations contained in this Act by an amount which shall be no less than \$8,583,935, which reduction shall be based on, and applied with respect to, state employee pay increases funded for vacant authorized positions and for new authorized positions to be added for budget units for Fiscal Year 2007-2008."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 16, between lines 37 and 38 insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to provide additional support for The Road Home \$ 8,583,935"

Rep. Scalise 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	Scalise
Ansardi	Kennard	Schneider
Arnold	Kleckley	Smiley
Bowler	LaBruzzo	Smith, J.H.–8th
Burns	Lancaster	Strain
Crane	Lorusso	Toomy
Crowe	Martiny	Trahan

Dove	McVea	Triche
Downs	Montgomery	Tucker
Erdey	Morris	Waddell
Fauchoux	Morrish	Walsworth
Geymann	Pitre	White
Greene	Powell, T.	Winston
Hutter	Richmond	Wooton
Johns	Robideaux	
Total - 44		

NAYS

Mr. Speaker	Durand	Marchand
Alario	Fannin	McDonald
Anders	Farrar	Morrell
Badon	Frith	Odinot
Baldone	Gallot	Pierre
Barrow	Gray	Pinac
Baudoin	Guillory, E.J.	Powell, M.
Baylor	Guillory, E.L.	Quezaire
Bruce	Guillory, M.	Ritchie
Burrell	Harris	Romero
Carter, K.	Hebert	Smith, G.
Carter, R.	Hill	Smith, J.D.–50th
Cazayoux	Honey	Smith, J.R.–30th
Chandler	Hunter	St. Germain
Curtis	Jackson	Thompson
Damico	Jefferson	Townsend
Daniel	Kenney	Walker
DeWitt	LaFleur	Williams
Doerge	LaFonta	
Dorsey	Lambert	
Total - 58		

ABSENT

Beard	Dartez	Heaton
Total - 3		

The amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 8, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

"Section 17.A. There is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand and No/100 (\$750,000.00) Dollars to the Legislative Auditor to provide for audit and investigation of the state contract with ICF Emergency Management Services, LLC."

Rep. Schneider moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 36 yeas and 55 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Recess

On motion of Rep. Alario, Chairman Thompson declared the House at recess until 12:30 P.M.

After Recess

Chairman Thompson called the House to order at 12:45 P.M.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker	Frith	Pierre
Alexander	Gallot	Pinac
Anders	Geymann	Pitre
Arnold	Gray	Powell, M.
Badon	Greene	Powell, T.
Baldone	Guillory, E.J.	Quezaire
Baudoin	Guillory, E.L.	Richmond
Baylor	Guillory, M.	Ritchie
Bruce	Harris	Romero
Burns	Hill	Scalise
Burrell	Honey	Schneider
Carter, K.	Hunter	Smiley
Carter, R.	Hutter	Smith, G.
Cazayoux	Jefferson	Smith, J.D.—50th
Chandler	Johns	Smith, J.H.—8th
Crane	Katz	St. Germain
Curtis	Kennard	Strain
Damico	Kleckley	Thompson
Daniel	LaFleur	Toomy
Dartez	Lambert	Trahan
DeWitt	Lorusso	Triche
Doerge	Marchand	Tucker
Dorsey	Martiny	Walker
Dove	McDonald	Walsworth
Downs	McVea	White
Durand	Montgomery	Williams
Erdey	Morrill	Winston
Fannin	Morris	Wooton
Farrar	Morrish	
Faucheux	Odinot	
Total - 88		

ABSENT

Alario	Heaton	Lancaster
Ansardi	Hebert	Robideaux
Barrow	Jackson	Smith, J.R.—30th
Beard	Kenney	Townsend
Bowler	LaBruzzo	Waddell
Crowe	LaFonta	
Total - 17		

The Chairman announced there were 88 members present and a quorum.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 22, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Administrative Program for the Domestic Violence Program, to be allocated equally among all 64 parishes for services \$ 1,600,000"

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 16, between lines 37 and 38, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Emergency Services Infrastructure Restoration Fund to the Administrative Program to support the revolving loan program established for purposes of rebuilding fire, police, and emergency medical services stations in areas affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita \$100,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 269, between lines 33 and 34, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Louisiana Economic and Port Development Infrastructure Fund to the Emergency Services Infrastructure Restoration Fund, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, and specifically R.S. 39:100.36 \$100,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 280, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

"Section 20. There is hereby established in the state treasury a special fund to be known as the Emergency Services Infrastructure Restoration Fund. Monies appropriated from the fund shall be used to support the rebuilding of fire, police, and emergency medical services stations in areas affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, to be accomplished through the establishment of a revolving loan program within the Executive Office. Monies in the fund shall be invested in the same manner as monies in the state general fund. Interest earned on investment of monies in the fund shall be deposited in and credited to the state general fund. Unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund. This fund shall be abolished on June 30, 2008, and the state treasurer is authorized and directed to transfer any balances remaining in the fund to the state general fund."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 280, line 3, change "Section 20." to "Section 21."

Rep. Karen Carter moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 39 yeas and 58 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

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AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 16, between lines 37 and 38, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Louisiana Economic and Port Development Infrastructure Fund to cover any shortfall in federal funding for the Road Home program, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, and specifically R.S. 39:100.36 \$100,000,000"

Rep. Richmond moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 42 yeas and 53 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 19, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to reduce the appropriation contained in this agency from the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the FEMA Reimbursement Fund by the amount of \$67,000,000."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 70, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Transportation Trust Fund for road construction and related purposes \$ 67,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 269, between lines 33 and 34, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the FEMA Fund for deposit into the State General Fund \$ 67,000,000"

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for deposit into the Transportation Trust Fund \$ 67,000,000"

Rep. Greene moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 46 yeas and 51 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Rep. Tucker sent up floor 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 16, between lines 37 and 38, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Louisiana Economic and Port Development Infrastructure Fund to cover any shortfall in federal funding for the Road Home program, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, and specifically R.S. 39:100.36 \$150,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 70, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Louisiana Economic and Port Development Infrastructure Fund to provide for improvements to rural roads in the state to include construction and related expenses, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, and specifically R.S. 39:100.36 \$150,000,000"

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 Geymann Powell, T.
Arnold Greene Quezaire
Beard Hebert Scalise
Bowler Hutter Schneider
Burns Johns Smith, J.D.--50th
Chandler Kennard Strain
Crane LaBruzzo Toomy
Crowe Lancaster Trahan
Dove Lorusso Tucker
Erdey McVea Walsworth
Fannin Morrish Winston
Frith Pitre Wooton
Total - 36

NAYS

- Mr. Speaker Farrar Odinet
Alario Fauchoux Pierre
Anders Gallot Pinac
Ansardi Gray Powell, M.
Badon Guillory, E.J. Richmond
Baldone Harris Ritchie
Baudoin Hill Robideaux
Baylor Honey Romero
Bruce Jackson Smiley
Burrell Jefferson Smith, G.
Carter, K. Katz Smith, J.H.--8th
Carter, R. Kenney Smith, J.R.--30th
Cazayoux Kleckley St. Germain

Curtis	LaFleur	Thompson
Damico	LaFonta	Townsend
Daniel	Lambert	Triche
DeWitt	Martiny	Waddell
Doerge	McDonald	Walker
Dorsey	Montgomery	White
Downs	Morrell	Williams
Durand	Morris	
Total - 62		

ABSENT

Barrow	Guillory, M.	Marchand
Dartez	Heaton	
Guillory, E.L.	Hunter	
Total - 7		

The amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 63, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Marketing Program for the Greater New Orleans Sports Foundation to be used for the Bayou Classic in New Orleans \$ 200,000"

On motion of Rep. Karen Carter, the amendments were adopted.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 70, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Engineering Highway Program for road construction and related purposes \$ 7,500,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 150, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for the Louisiana Coastal Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Program \$ 7,500,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 218, line 9, delete "\$20,298,041" and insert "\$5,298,041"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 218, line 30, delete "\$183,172,619" and insert "\$168,172,619"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 218, line 32, delete "\$128,585,620" and insert "\$113,585,620"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 218, line 39, delete "\$183,172,619" and insert "\$168,172,619"

Rep. Scalise moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 22 yeas and 74 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Suspension of the Rules

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 70, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Louisiana Economic and Port Development Infrastructure Fund to the Engineering Highways Program for road construction and related activities for I-49, 40% to be allocated to I-49 North of I-220 and 60% to be allocated to I-49 South of I-10, notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, and specifically R.S. 39:100.36 \$100,000,000"

Rep. Hebert moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 42 yeas and 52 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 93, after line 50, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Operational Support Program to provide tasers for all state troopers \$ 750,500"

On motion of Rep. Jack Smith, the amendments were adopted.

Rep. Alario sent up floor 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 112, line 13, change "970,219,130" to "963,446,380"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 112, line 21, change "337,632,167" to "344,404,917"

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 122, between lines 18 and 19 insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Community Mental Health Program for a Crisis Intervention Unit (CIU) at Medical Center of Louisiana at New Orleans with 40 CIU beds and 20 dual diagnosis beds \$ 3,000,000"

On motion of Rep. Gray, the amendments were withdrawn.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 122, between lines 18 and 19 insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Community Mental Health Program for 100 mental health beds in Region 1 \$ 17,000,000"

On motion of Rep. Gray, the amendments were withdrawn.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 138, delete lines 37 through 45, and insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Administration and Support Program for Support Enforcement Services \$ 340,000"

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 139, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Administration and Support Program for Support Enforcement Services \$ 2,596,251"

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 143, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Child Welfare Services Program to increase the reimbursement rate to foster parents and residential care providers \$ 2,150,000"

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 174, after line 42 , insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the monies appropriated for the higher education faculty pay increase, each institution shall allocate one-half of those funds for an across-the-board pay increase and the associated employer retirement contribution for all full-time faculty."

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 176, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the monies appropriated herein for Louisiana Postsecondary Education Secure Campus Program, 50% shall be expended on technology for the identification of potential threats, including terrorist acts, criminal activity, or other potentially hazardous situations."

Rep. Jack Smith moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 11 yeas and 81 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 193, after line 45, add the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the University of Louisiana Board of Supervisors to be allocated equally between Nicholls State University and the University of Louisiana at Monroe, to be used for technology infrastructure conversion upgrades \$ 3,400,000"

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

Rep. Walsworth sent up floor 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 232, after line 46, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the School and Community Support Program to equip school bus with crossing control devices \$ 700,000"

Rep. Walsworth moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 42 yeas and 49 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 176, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Board of Regents for additional operating expenses related to storm recovery to be equitably allocated among the University of New Orleans, Southern University of New Orleans, Delgado Community College, and Nunez Community College \$ 10,000,000"

Rep. Gray moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 38 yeas and 57 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 250, between lines 35 and 36, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the State Emergency Response Fund to the Parish Transportation Program, notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, and specifically R.S. 39:100.31 \$ 25,000,000"

Provided, however, that this appropriation shall not become operable until December 1, 2007, and the state treasurer shall honor no warrants on this appropriation until such date. Provided further, that this appropriation shall be limited to the amount of monies remaining in the State Emergency Response Fund on December 1, 2007."

Rep. Hebert moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 43 yeas and 57 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 257, line 13, after "Bunkie for" delete the remainder of the line, and delete lines 14 and 15 in their entirety and insert the following:

"signage and enhancements for the I-49 gateway corridor project in the Parish Master Plan \$ 30,000"

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AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 257, delete lines 21 through 23 in their entirety and insert the following:

"to the city of Marksville for purposes related
to animal control \$ 6,000"

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 267, delete line 2 in its entirety, and insert the following:

"to the Acadiana Ballpark in Iberia Parish \$ 150,000"

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 267, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General
Fund (Direct) to St. Tammany Parish
for NRCS Debris Removal local match \$ 3,687,731"

Rep. Winston moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Alario objected.

By a vote of 31 yeas and 66 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Motion

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

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House