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OF THE
STATE OF LOUISIANA

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

**Thirty-seventh Extraordinary Session of the Legislature
Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Sunday, March 9, 2008

The House of Representatives was called to order at 5:00 P.M., by the Honorable Jim Tucker, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Morning Hour

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker	Gallot	Monica
Abramson	Geymann	Montoucet
Anders	Gisclair	Morrell
Armes	Greene	Morris
Arnold	Guillory, E.	Norton
Aubert	Guillory, M.	Nowlin
Badon, A.	Guinn	Pearson
Badon, B.	Hardy	Perry
Baldone	Harrison	Peterson
Barras	Hazel	Ponti
Barrow	Henderson	Pope
Billiot	Henry	Pugh
Burford	Hill	Richard
Burns, H.	Hines	Richardson
Burns, T.	Hoffmann	Richmond
Burrell	Honey	Ritchie
Carmody	Howard	Robideaux
Carter	Hutter	Roy
Cazayoux	Jackson G.	Schroder
Champagne	Jackson M.	Simon
Chandler	Johnson	Smiley
Chaney	Jones, R.	Smith, G.
Connick	Jones, S.	Smith, J.
Cortez	Katz	Smith, P.
Cromer	Kleckley	St. Germain
Danahay	LaBruzzo	Talbot
Dixon	Lambert	Templet
Doerge	LeBas	Trahan
Dove	Leger	Waddell

Downs	Ligi	White
Edwards	Little	Williams
Ellington	Lopinto	Willmott
Fannin	Lorusso	Wooton
Foil	McVea	
Franklin	Mills	
Total - 103		

ABSENT

LaFonta	Marchand
Total - 2	

The Speaker announced that there were 103 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Dr. Ken Ward.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

**Petitions, Memorials and
Communications**

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

Message from the Secretary of State

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

SECRETARY OF STATE

State of Louisiana

March 4, 2008

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to hand you herewith a certified copy of the Proclamation by his Excellency, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated March 3, 2008, designating certain objects to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on Sunday, the 9th day of March, 2008, and ending no later than 5:00 o'clock p.m. on Saturday, the 29th day of March, 2008.

Sincerely,

JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

**United States of America
STATE OF LOUISIANA
Jay Dardenne
Secretary of State**

As Secretary of State of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby certify that the attached pages contain a true and correct copy of the Proclamation by His Excellency, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated March 3, 2008, designating certain objects to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on the ninth day of March, 2008, and adjourn not later than 5:00 o'clock p.m. on the twenty-ninth day of March, 2008.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on this, the 4th day of March, 2008.

JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

State of Louisiana
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION NO. 9 BJ 2008
CONVENING OF LEGISLATURE
INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

By virtue of the authority vested in me by Paragraph B of Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution of Louisiana, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the state of Louisiana, HEREBY CALL AND CONVENE THE LEGISLATURE OF LOUISIANA INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION to convene at the State Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, during 21 calendar days, beginning at 5:00 p.m. on the 9th day of March, 2008, and ending no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 29th day of March, 2008. The power to legislate at such session shall be limited, under penalty of nullity, to the following specifically enumerated objects:

- ITEM NO. 1:** To legislate relative to accelerating the current reduction of sales tax on manufacturing machinery and equipment.
- ITEM NO. 2:** To legislate relative to the elimination or reduction of the permanent sales tax on business utilities.
- ITEM NO. 3:** To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(3)(i)(ii)(bb)(I) and (II) and to repeal R.S. 47:301(3)(i)(ii)(bb)(III) concerning sales and use tax exclusion for newspaper manufacturing equipment.
- ITEM NO. 4:** To legislate relative to accelerating the current reduction of corporate franchise tax on borrowed capital.
- ITEM NO. 5:** To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6016 relative to new markets tax credit for limited projects meeting certain criteria; to provide for additional allocations; and to provide for related matters.
- ITEM NO. 6:** To legislate relative to providing for the dedication of a percentage of revenue from existing transportation related taxes and fees to transportation related matters.
- ITEM NO. 7:** To legislate relative to providing for an individual income tax deduction for tuition associated with attendance at elementary and secondary schools and for qualified educational expenses for parents of home-schooled students.
- ITEM NO. 8:** To legislate relative to providing supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 from monies recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference as Fiscal Year 2006-2007 non-recurring revenue.
- ITEM NO. 9:** To legislate relative to changing the expenditure limit for fiscal year 2007-2008; and to provide for related matters.
- ITEM NO. 10:** To legislate relative to the Algiers Development District.

ITEM NO. 11: To legislate relative to allocation of monies for depositing into the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund pursuant to Article VII, §10(D)(2)(e) of the Louisiana Constitution and to authorize and direct the transfer and deposit of monies into the Fund by the Treasurer.

ITEM NO. 12: To legislate relative to the provisions of Section 6428 of the Internal Revenue Code as enacted in the federal Economic Stimulus Act of 2008 to insure that the tax reductions provided by Section 6428 do not increase any citizen's Louisiana individual income tax.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 3rd day of March, 2008.

Bobby Jindal
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE GOVERNOR

Jay Dardenne
SECRETARY OF STATE

Message from the Secretary of State

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

SECRETARY OF STATE

State of Louisiana

March 4, 2008

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor to hand you herewith a certified copy of the supplement to Proclamation No. 9 BJ 2008 by his Excellency, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated March 3, 2008, designating a certain object to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on Sunday, the 9th day of March, 2008, and ending no later than 5:00 o'clock p.m. on Saturday, the 29th day of March, 2008.

Sincerely,

JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

United States of America
STATE OF LOUISIANA
Jay Dardenne
Secretary of State

As Secretary of State of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby certify that the attached pages contain a true and correct copy of the supplement to Proclamation No. 9 BJ 2008 by His Excellency, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated March 3, 2008, designating certain objects to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on the ninth day of March, 2008, and adjourn not later than 5:00 o'clock p.m. on the twenty-ninth day of March, 2008.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on this, the 4th day of March, 2008.

JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

**State of Louisiana
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

PROCLAMATION NO. 10 BJ 2008

*SUPPLEMENT TO
PROCLAMATION NO. 9 BJ 2008
CONVENING OF LEGISLATURE
INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION*

By virtue of the authority vested in me, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the state of Louisiana, HEREBY SUPPLEMENT THE PROCLAMATION ISSUED ON MARCH 3, 2008, TO CALL AND CONVENE THE LEGISLATURE OF LOUISIANA INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION to convene at the State Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, during 21 calendar days, beginning at 5:00 p.m. on the 9th day of March, 2008, and ending no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 29th day of March, 2008, by providing for an additional Item, as follows:

ITEM NO. 13: To enact La. R.S. 49:327B(g) to authorize investment in taxable or tax exempt bonds issued by the Louisiana Stadium and Exposition District.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 4th day of March, 2008.

Bobby Jindal
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE GOVERNOR

Jay Dardenne
SECRETARY OF STATE

Motion

On motion of Rep. Peterson, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Governor that the House is convened and prepared to transact business: Reps. Geymann, Ritchie, Trahan, Barrow, and LaBruzzo.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Peterson, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Senate that the House is convened and prepared to transact business: Reps. Hill, Richard, Morrell, Champagne, and Carmody.

**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. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY

A RESOLUTION

To adopt House Rules 6.14(C) and 8.27(E) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives, to require public meetings of certain conference committees and to provide that the question of consideration of a conference committee report is not in order under certain circumstances.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FANNIN AND TUCKER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To direct the commissioner of administration to change the expenditure limit for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To direct the commissioner of administration to change the expenditure limit for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2—

BY REPRESENTATIVES RITCHIE, ABRAMSON, ANDERS, ARMES, ARNOLD, AUBERT, AUSTIN BADON, BOBBY BADON, BALDONE, BARRAS, BARROW, BILLIOT, BURFORD, HENRY BURNS, TIM BURNS, BURRELL, CARMODY, CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CHAMPAGNE, CHANDLER, CHANEY, CONNICK, CORTEZ, CROMER, DANAHAY, DIXON, DOERGE, DOVE, DOWNS, EDWARDS, ELLINGTON, FANNIN, FOIL, FRANKLIN, GALLOT, GEYMAN, GISCLAIR, GREENE, ELBERT GUILLORY, MICKEY GUILLORY, GUINN, HARDY, HARRISON, HAZEL, HENDERSON, HENRY, HILL, HINES, HOFFMANN, HONEY, HOWARD, HUTTER, GIROD JACKSON, MICHAEL JACKSON, JOHNSON, ROSALIND JONES, SAM JONES, KATZ, KLECKLEY, LABRUZZO, LAFONTA, LAMBERT, LEBAS, LEGER, LIGI, LITTLE, LOPINTO, LORUSSO, MARCHAND, MCVEA, MILLS, MONICA, MONTOUCE, MORRELL, MORRIS, NORTON, NOWLIN, PEARSON, PERRY, PETERSON, PONTI, POPE, PUGH, RICHARD, RICHARDSON, RICHMOND, ROBIDEAUX, ROY, SCHRODER, SIMON, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JANE SMITH, PATRICIA SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, TALBOT, TEMPLET, TRAHAN, TUCKER, WADDELL, WHITE, WILLIAMS, WILLMOTT, AND WOOTON

A RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of former state legislator Benjamin B. "Sixty" Rayburn of Bogalusa.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GALLOT

A RESOLUTION

To commend Lauren M. Tichenor for her outstanding accomplishments and contributions as a Louisiana AmeriCorps VISTA member in Claiborne Parish.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER

A RESOLUTION

To commend members of the Louise S. McGehee School varsity mock trial team for winning the 2008 statewide high school Mock Trial Competition.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVE NOWLIN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend D. Rick Hargis upon being selected as a member of the 4-H Hall of Fame and to congratulate him on more than forty-five years of dedicated and highly productive service to the 4-H organization.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVE NOWLIN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Idell Snowden upon being selected as a member of the 4-H Hall of Fame and to congratulate her on many years of dedicated and highly productive service to the 4-H organization.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

Reports of Special Committees

The special committee appointed to notify the Governor that the House had convened and was prepared to transact business reported that it had performed that duty.

The special committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House had convened and was prepared to transact business reported that it had performed that duty.

The Speaker thanked and discharged the committees.

Committee from the Senate

A special committee from the Senate notified the House that the Senate has convened and is prepared to transact business.

The Speaker thanked and dismissed the committee.

Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GREENE, RICHMOND, AND JANE SMITH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:321(K), relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for the effectiveness and applicability of the exemptions for electric power or energy, natural gas, water, and steam; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 2—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GREENE AND JANE SMITH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(3)(i)(i), (13)(k)(i), and (28)(a), relative to sales and use tax of the state and statewide political subdivisions; to provide for an accelerated reduction of the sales price, cost price, gross proceeds derived from a lease or rental, monthly lease or rental price paid, and the monthly lease or rental price contracted or agreed to by way of an exclusion of certain manufacturing machinery and equipment; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GREENE AND JANE SMITH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:602(A) and (G), 603(A)(2), 605(C), and 609(A) and to repeal R.S. 47:603, relative to the corporation franchise tax; to accelerate the elimination of borrowed capital from taxable capital; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVES TUCKER AND FANNIN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:481 and R.S. 48:196(A), and to enact R.S. 48:77, relative to the dedication of revenues to transportation related matters; to provide for the deposit into and allowable uses thereof of certain monies in the Transportation Trust Fund, the Transportation Mobility Fund, and the State Highway Improvement Fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 5—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TUCKER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:327(B)(1)(g), relative to the investment of certain monies on deposit in the state treasury; to authorize the investment in taxable and tax exempt bonds issued by the Louisiana Stadium and Exposition District; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 6—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOVE
AN ACT

To provide relative to state funds; to authorize the transfer and deposit of certain nonrecurring revenues into certain special treasury funds; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 7—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GREENE AND TUCKER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and (xv) and 297.10 and 297.11, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain educational expenses for home-schooled children; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 8—

BY REPRESENTATIVES RICHMOND, TUCKER, AND GREENE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:321(K), relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for the effectiveness and applicability of the exemptions for electric power or energy, natural gas, water, and steam; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 9—

BY REPRESENTATIVES RICHMOND, GREENE, AND TUCKER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6016(B)(1)(c), (E), (G), (H), and (I), relative to the new markets tax credit; to increase the total aggregate amount of the credit; to reduce the maximum amount of credit for businesses that do not meet certain criteria; to provide enhanced credits for certain target industries; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 10—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JANE SMITH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(3)(i)(i), (13)(k)(i), and (28)(a), relative to sales and use tax of the state and statewide political subdivisions; to provide for a total exclusion for certain manufacturing machinery and equipment; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 11—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JANE SMITH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:602(A) and (G), 605(B) and (C), and 609(A) and to repeal R.S. 47:603, relative to corporation franchise tax; to eliminate borrowed capital from the franchise tax base; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 12—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JANE SMITH
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:321(K), relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for the effectiveness and applicability of the exemptions for electric power or energy, natural gas, water, and steam; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 13—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LORUSSO
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:321(K), relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for the effectiveness and applicability of the exemptions for electric power or energy, natural gas, water, and steam; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 14—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LORUSSO
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and 297.10, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 15—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LORUSSO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(3)(i)(i), (13)(k)(i), and (28)(a), relative to sales and use tax of the state and statewide political subdivisions; to provide for a total exclusion for certain manufacturing machinery and equipment; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 16—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and 297.10, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 17—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LABRUZZO
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and (xv), 297.10, and 297.11, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain educational expenses for home-schooled children; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 18—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(4)(c), relative to the individual income tax; to provide that certain federal income tax rebates or credits shall not reduce the federal income tax deduction; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 19—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LORUSSO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:602(A) and (G), 603(A)(2), 605(C), and 609(A) and to repeal R.S. 47:603, relative to the corporation franchise tax; to accelerate the elimination of borrowed capital from taxable capital; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 20—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and (xv), 297.10, and 297.11, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain educational expenses for home-schooled children; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 21—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and (xv), 297.10, and 297.11, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain educational expenses for home-schooled children; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 22—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and 297.10, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 23—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LABRUZZO
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and (xv), 297.10, and 297.11, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain educational expenses for home-schooled children; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 24—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6016(E), relative to the new markets tax credit; to increase the total aggregate amount of the credit; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 25—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:331(P)(2) and to enact R.S. 47:302(U) and 321(K), relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for the effectiveness and applicability of the exemptions for electric power or energy, natural gas, water, and steam; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 26—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SAM JONES
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:294(A), relative to the individual income tax; to provide for an increase in the combined personal exemption and standard deduction for all taxpayers; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 27—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JANE SMITH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:331(P)(2) and to enact R.S. 47:302(U) and 321(K), relative to the sales and use tax; to provide for the effectiveness and applicability of the exemptions for electric power or energy, natural gas, water, and steam; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 28—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:305.56, relative to sales and use taxes; to establish the Orleans and St. Bernard Recovery Zone; to authorize a sales and use tax exemption for the purchase, lease, rental, or repair of certain machinery and equipment located within certain parishes; 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. 29—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREENE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and 297.10, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain educational expenses for home-schooled children; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 30—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAMBERT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:481 and R.S. 48:196(A), relative to state funds; to provide for the disposition of certain state revenues from truck and trailer licensing and registration; to provide for the deposit of monies into the State Highway Improvement Fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 31—

Withdrawn from the files of the House prior to introduction.

HOUSE BILL NO. 32—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(4)(c), relative to the individual income tax; to provide that certain federal income tax rebates or credits shall not reduce the federal income tax deduction; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 33—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBIDEAUX
AN ACT

To enact Part VIII of Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 48:765, relative to state funds; to establish the Parish Transportation Fund No. 2 as a special treasury fund; to provide for the dedication, deposit, use, distribution, and investment of monies in the fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 34—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY BURNS
AN ACT

To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 to provide for construction costs related to Interstate 49 North; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 35—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and (xv), 297.10, and 297.11, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain educational expenses for home-schooled children; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 36—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN
AN ACT

To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 for payments against the initial Unfunded Accrued Liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 37—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN
AN ACT

To appropriate funds out of the General Fund of the state of Louisiana for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 to be allocated to designated agencies and purposes in specific amounts for the making of supplemental capital outlay appropriations for said agencies and purposes for Fiscal Year 2007-2008; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 38—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:481 and R.S. 48:196(A), and to enact R.S. 48:77, relative to the dedication of revenues to transportation related matters; to provide for the deposit into and allowable uses thereof of certain monies in the Transportation Trust Fund, the Transportation Mobility Fund, and the State Highway Improvement Fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 39—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WHITE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 48:77, relative to the dedication of revenues to transportation related matters; to provide for the dedication, disposition, distribution, investment, and use of certain monies in the Transportation Trust Fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**Introduction of House Bills
and Joint Resolutions**

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 40—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xiv) and (xv) and 297.10 and 297.11, relative to individual income tax; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education tuition; to provide for a deduction from state income taxes for certain elementary and secondary education expenses; to provide for certain requirements and limitations; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 41—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(A)(2) and (3), relative to the individual income tax; to revise certain individual income tax brackets; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 42—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LABRUZZO
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:6035, relative to income and corporate franchise taxes; to authorize a tax credit for the purchase of computer equipment in certain physician offices; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements and limitations; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 43—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PEARSON
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:297.10, relative to individual income tax exemptions; to provide for an individual income tax exemption for certain law enforcement and emergency personnel; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 44—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6007(B)(9) and (C)(2)(a) and (c)(iv), relative to the motion picture investor tax credit; to authorize the inclusion of fees and interest paid to a Louisiana-domiciled and headquartered financial institution within the definition of production expenditures; to provide for a tax credit for certain expenditures for certain out-of-state property and services; to extend the deadline for eligibility for certain infrastructure tax credits; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 45—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ARNOLD AND TUCKER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2740.27, relative to the Algiers Development District; to provide relative to the status of the district and its actions; to provide relative to the appointment

and terms of the members of the board of commissioners; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the district; to provide relative to plans for public improvements, facilities, and services; to provide relative to all acts by and on behalf of the district since its creation; 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.

Petitions, Memorials and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

March 9, 2008

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

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

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN A. KOEPP
Secretary of the Senate

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions contained in the message were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1— BY SENATOR BROOME

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To invite the Honorable Bobby Jindal, Governor of Louisiana, to address a joint session of the legislature.

Read by title.

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

Recess

On motion of Rep. Greene, the Speaker declared the House at recess upon the call of the House.

Joint Session of the Legislature

The joint session of the legislature was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by the Honorable Joel T. Chaisson, II, President of the Senate.

On motion of Sen. Broome, the calling of the roll on the part of the Senate was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Peterson, the calling of the roll on the part of the House was dispensed with.

The President of the Senate appointed the following special committee to escort the Honorable Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, to the joint session.

On the part of the Senate: Senators Michot, Cheek, Jackson, Duplessis, and Adley.

On the part of the House: Representatives Katz, Wooton, Smiley, Honey, St. Germain, and Greene.

A prayer was offered by Pastor Mike Davis.

Sen. Chaisson led the joint session in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The President of the Senate introduced the Honorable Bobby Jindal, who addressed the joint session of the legislature.

On motion of Sen. Dorsey, the Senate retired to its own chamber.

House Business Resumed

After Recess

Speaker Tucker called the House to order at 6:40 P.M.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker	Gallot	McVea
Abramson	Geymann	Mills
Anders	Gisclair	Monica
Armes	Greene	Montoucet
Arnold	Guillory, E.	Morrell
Aubert	Guillory, M.	Morris
Badon, A.	Guinn	Norton
Badon, B.	Hardy	Nowlin
Baldone	Harrison	Pearson
Barras	Hazel	Perry
Barrow	Henderson	Peterson
Billiot	Henry	Ponti
Burford	Hill	Pope
Burns, H.	Hines	Pugh
Burns, T.	Hoffmann	Richard
Burrell	Honey	Richardson
Carmody	Howard	Richmond
Carter	Hutter	Ritchie
Cazayoux	Jackson G.	Robideaux
Champagne	Jackson M.	Roy
Chandler	Johnson	Schroder
Chaney	Jones, R.	Simon
Connick	Jones, S.	Smiley
Cortez	Katz	Smith, G.
Cromer	Kleckley	Smith, J.
Danahay	LaBruzzo	Smith, P.
Dixon	LaFonta	St. Germain
Doerge	Lambert	Talbot
Dove	LeBas	Templet
Downs	Leger	Trahan
Edwards	Ligi	Waddell

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Ellington
Fannin
Foil
Franklin
Total - 105

Little
Lopinto
Lorusso
Marchand

ABSENT

White
Williams
Willmott
Wooton

Total - 0

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

Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 46— BY REPRESENTATIVES FANNIN AND TUCKER AN ACT

To appropriate funds for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 to be allocated to designated agencies and purposes in specific amounts for the making of supplemental appropriations for said agencies and purposes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

Introduction of Resolutions, House and House Concurrent

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5— BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBIDEAUX A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to review the provisions of Code of Criminal Procedure Article 814(C) to determine if any amendments may be necessary to further clarify the intent of the legislature in adopting the sufficiency of evidence standard with regard to responsive verdicts as set forth by the United States Supreme Court in Jackson v. Virginia, 443 U.S. 307 (1979).

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Fannin, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Appropriations to meet and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill Nos. 4, 5, 6, 30, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 46

House Concurrent Resolution Nos. 1 and 2

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Morrell, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to meet and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill No. 45

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Greene, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Ways and Means to meet and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill Nos. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 32, 35, and 40

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Trahan, at 6:50 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Monday, March 10, 2008, at 4:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 4:00 P.M., Monday, March 10, 2008.

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House