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**OF THE**  
**STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**TWENTY-SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**Forty-first Regular Session of the Legislature**  
**Under the Adoption of the**  
**Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Thursday, May 21, 2015

The Committee was called to order at 10:18 A.M. by Chairman Arnold.

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

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Fannin, Rule 6.25 was suspended to consider House Bill No. 1 at this time.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN  
AN ACT

Making annual appropriations for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 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.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 14, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated to this agency, \$2,500,000 shall be transferred to Public Safety Services, office of state police for costs incurred for state troopers traveling with the governor out of the state."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 64, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Interagency Transfers from the Executive Department, Executive Office to the Operational Support Program for costs incurred for state troopers traveling with the governor out of the state \$ 2,500,000"

**Ruling of the Chair**

House Rule 7.19(D)(2)(a) requires the Chair to determine whether an amendment to House Bill No. 1 appropriates one-time money.

The Chair determined that the above Committee of the Whole Amendments proposed by Rep. James do not appropriate one-time money.

Rep. James moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Fannin objected.

By a vote of 55 yeas and 35 nays, the amendments were adopted.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representatives Smith, Jackson, and James in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Fannin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 32, between lines 28 and 29, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the funds appropriated from State General Fund (Direct) to this agency, \$355,000 shall be allocated for Elections Program for voter outreach services."

**Ruling of the Chair**

House Rule 7.19(D)(2)(a) requires the Chair to determine whether an amendment to House Bill No. 1 appropriates one-time money.

The Chair determined that the above Committee of the Whole Amendments proposed by Rep. Smith do not appropriate one-time money.

Rep. Smith moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Fannin objected.

By a vote of 36 yeas and 52 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 43, between lines 29 and 30, insert the following:

"In the event the state is awarded the right to host the National Black Caucus of State Legislatures, the state shall take any and all action necessary to fund the state commitment in securing and hosting such event."

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 47, between lines 29 and 30, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund by Interagency Transfers from the Department of Education to the Office of Cultural Development for the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana \$ 300,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 132, between lines 33 and 34, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated above for the Minimum Foundation Program, an amount not to exceed \$300,000 shall be transferred to Schedule 06-265 Office of Cultural Development to be used toward the costs of VISA sponsorship for both Foreign Language Associates or graduates of the Escadrille Louisiane program pursuant to State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education regulations."

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

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 64, after line 45, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Office of Motor Vehicles for organ donor awareness \$ 100,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 76, between lines 29 and 30, insert the following:

"EXPENDITURES: Payments to Private Providers Program for New Opportunities Waivers (NOW) \$ 60,798,309 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 60,798,309

MEANS OF FINANCE: State General Fund (Direct) \$ 23,000,000 Federal Funds \$ 37,798,309

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 60,798,309

EXPENDITURES: Uncompensated Care Costs Program for the Greater New Orleans Community Health Connection (GNOCHC) \$ 1,000,000 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 1,000,000

MEANS OF FINANCE: State General Fund (Direct) \$ 377,900 Federal Funds \$ 622,100

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 1,000,000

EXPENDITURES: Uncompensated Care Costs Program \$ 4,292,406

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 4,292,406

MEANS OF FINANCE: State General Fund (Direct) \$ 1,622,100 Federal Funds \$ 2,670,306

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 4,292,406

EXPENDITURES: Payments to Private Providers Program for hemophilia costs for major teaching hospitals \$ 264,340

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 264,340

MEANS OF FINANCE: State General Fund (Direct) \$ 100,000 Federal Funds \$ 164,340

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 264,340

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 83, between lines 25 and 26, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the commissioner of administration is authorized and directed to adjust the means of financing for the Office of Public Health by reducing the appropriation out of State General Fund (Direct) from the administrative expenditures in the Public Health Services Program by \$25,800,000. The commissioner of administration is further authorized and directed to reduce authorized positions by three hundred and fifty-one (351)."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 119, between lines 39 and 40, insert the following:

"Payable out of State General Fund (Direct) to the University of Louisiana Board of Supervisors for Southeastern Louisiana University for the Louisiana Small Business Development Center \$ 350,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 151, between lines 44 and 45, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Agriculture and Forestry-Pass Through Funds for the Healthy Food Retail Act \$ 250,000"

Rep. Broadwater moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Fannin objected.

By a vote of 67 yeas and 24 nays, the amendments were adopted.

Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Willmott requested the House consent to correct his vote on Amendments proposed by Rep. Broadwater to House Bill No. 1 from nay to yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 51, between lines 18 and 19 insert the following:

"Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Corrections Services, shall not enter into any new contracts for the operation of a facility until all local facilities are fully utilized."

Rep. Pylant moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Fannin objected.

By a vote of 86 yeas and 4 nays, the amendments were adopted.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 76, line 7, change "10,000,000" to "9,798,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 76, line 8, change "10,000,000" to "9,798,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 76, line 11, change "3,783,000" to "3,706,583"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 76, line 12, change "6,217,000" to "6,091,416"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 76, line 13, change "10,000,000" to "9,797,999"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 76, between lines 29 and 30, insert the following:

**EXPENDITURES:**

Payments to the Private Providers Program for mental health services in the event House Bill No. 307 of the 2015 Regular Session is enacted into law

	\$ 202,000
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 202,000
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**MEANS OF FINANCE:**

State General Fund by:

Interagency Transfers	\$ 76,417
Federal Funds	\$ 125,583

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$ 202,000
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Provided, however, that the Division of Administration, Office of Community Development shall submit an Action Plan Amendment and a request for the reallocation of such monies to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for approval."

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

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representatives Montoucet, Adams, Anders, Armes, Arnold, Badon, Barras, Barrow, Berthelot, Billiot, Stuart Bishop, Wesley Bishop, Brown, Carmody, Carter, Chaney, Cox, Dove, Edwards, Foil, Gisclair, Guinn, Hall, Harris, Harrison, Havard, Hazel, Henry, Hensgens, Hill, Hunter, Huval, Jackson, James, Jefferson, Mike Johnson, Jones, LeBas, Leger, Moreno, Ortego, Ourso, Pierre, Ponti, Price, Pylant, Reynolds, Richard, Ritchie, Schexnayder, Seabaugh, Shadoin, Simon, Smith, St. Germain, Thibaut, Thierry, Willmott, and Woodruff in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Fannin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 76, between lines 29 and 30, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the funds appropriated from State General Fund (Direct) to the Payments to Private Providers Program in this agency \$100,000 shall be allocated for the Inpatient Major Teaching Hospital Program for hemophilia costs for major teaching hospitals. Further, of the funds appropriated from Federal Funds to the Payments to Private Providers Program in this agency \$164,340 shall be allocated for the Inpatient Major Teaching Hospital Program for hemophilia costs for major teaching hospitals."

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

**Acting Chairman Henry in the Chair**

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 76, between lines 29 and 30, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the Department of Health and Hospitals is directed to conform the eligibility standards of the Medicaid program administered by the state to the minimum standards provided in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111-148). The secretary of the department may implement the expansion of the Medicaid program in a manner that is the same as or substantially similar to any state expansion program already approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services which allows newly eligible Medicaid beneficiaries to acquire insurance policies from private insurers.

The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to utilize any State General Fund (Direct) realized from the expansion of eligibility in the Medicaid program as provided in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for the purpose of making payments to partner hospitals. Further, the commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to transfer funding between programs to ensure that the budget unit shall fully utilize

and maximize State General Fund (Direct) funding as a result of any savings realized from the expansion of eligibility as provided in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for the purpose of making payments to partner hospitals."

Rep. Edwards moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Fannin objected.

**Chairman Arnold in the Chair**

**Point of Order**

Rep. Harrison asked for a ruling from the Chair as to whether the above amendments were germane to the subject matter contained in the bill as introduced.

**Ruling of the Chair**

The Chair ruled that the above amendments were germane to the subject matter contained in the bill as introduced.

**Ruling of the Chair**

House Rule 7.19(D)(2)(a) requires the Chair to determine whether an amendment to House Bill No. 1 appropriates one-time money.

The Chair determined that the above Committee of the Whole Amendments proposed by Rep. Edwards do not appropriate one-time money.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Anders	Gisclair	Moreno
Armes	Hall	Norton
Arnold	Hill	Ortego
Badon	Honore	Pierre
Barrow	Hunter	Price
Billiot	Jackson	Reynolds
Bishop, W.	James	Richard
Bouie	Jefferson	Ritchie
Burrell	Johnson R.	Smith
Chaney	Jones	St. Germain
Cox	Landry, T.	Thierry
Edwards	LeBas	Williams, A.
Franklin	Leger	Woodruff
Gaines	Montoucet	
Total - 41		

**NAYS**

Mr. Speaker	Harris	Miller
Adams	Harrison	Morris, Jay
Barras	Havard	Morris, Jim
Berthelot	Hazel	Ourso
Bishop, S.	Henry	Ponti
Broadwater	Hodges	Pope
Brown	Hoffmann	Pugh
Burford	Hollis	Pylant
Burns, H.	Howard	Robideaux
Burns, T.	Huval	Schexnayder
Carmody	Ivey	Schroder
Carter	Johnson M.	Seabaugh
Connick	Lambert	Shadoin

Dove	Landry, N.	Simon
Fannin	Leopold	Stokes
Foil	Lopinto	Talbot
Garofalo	Lorusso	Whitney
Geymann	Mack	Willmott
Guinn	Miguez	

Total - 56

ABSENT

Abramson	Guillory	Thibaut
Cromer	Hensgens	Williams, P.
Danahay	Pearson	

Total - 8

The amendments were rejected.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representatives Montoucet and Thierry in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Fannin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 109, delete lines 35 through 39 in their entirety

**Ruling of the Chair**

House Rule 7.19(D)(2)(a) requires the Chair to determine whether an amendment to House Bill No. 1 appropriates one-time money.

The Chair determined that the above Committee of the Whole Amendments proposed by Rep. Montoucet do not appropriate one-time money.

Rep. Montoucet moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Burrell objected.

By a vote of 60 yeas and 34 nays, the amendments were adopted.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 109, between lines 39 and 40, insert the following:

"The Commissioner of Higher Education is hereby authorized and directed to adjust the means of financing for the University of Louisiana at Lafayette for the Procurement Technical Assistance Center in this agency by reducing the appropriation out of the State General Fund (Direct) by \$185,000."

**Ruling of the Chair**

House Rule 7.19(D)(2)(a) requires the Chair to determine whether an amendment to House Bill No. 1 appropriates one-time money.

The Chair determined that the above Committee of the Whole Amendments proposed by Rep. Burrell do not appropriate one-time money.

Rep. Burrell moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Fannin objected.

By a vote of 10 yeas and 79 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representatives Pierre and Stuart Bishop in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Fannin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 130, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the State General Fund (Direct) appropriated in this agency, the amount of \$250,000 shall be allocated to the Do-Re-ME! Program to continue a pilot arts-integrated curriculum using the fine and performing arts as an approach to education."

**Ruling of the Chair**

House Rule 7.19(D)(2)(a) requires the Chair to determine whether an amendment to House Bill No. 1 appropriates one-time money.

The Chair determined that the above Committee of the Whole Amendments proposed by Rep. Pierre do not appropriate one-time money.

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

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representatives Thibaut and James in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Fannin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 131, after line 43, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that of the funds appropriated from State General Fund (Direct) to this agency, \$959,966 shall be allocated for the Pointe Coupee Parish School Board for Pointe Coupee Central High School for repairs and renovations.

Provided, however, that of the funds appropriated from State General Fund (Direct) to this agency, \$959,966 shall be allocated for the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board for Istrouma High School for repairs and renovations."

**Ruling of the Chair**

House Rule 7.19(D)(2)(a) requires the Chair to determine whether an amendment to House Bill No. 1 appropriates one-time money.

The Chair determined that the above Committee of the Whole Amendments proposed by Rep. Thibaut do not appropriate one-time money.

Rep. Thibaut moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Fannin objected.

By a vote of 46 yeas and 49 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representatives Chaney, Henry Burns, Hoffmann, and Seabaugh in the Committee of the Whole House to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Fannin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 156, between lines 28 and 29, insert the following:

**"19-600 LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to Louisiana State University Health Sciences - Shreveport	\$ 31,100,000"
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**Ruling of the Chair**

House Rule 7.19(D)(2)(a) requires the Chair to determine whether an amendment to House Bill No. 1 appropriates one-time money.

The Chair determined that the above Committee of the Whole Amendments proposed by Rep. Chaney do not appropriate one-time money.

**Motion**

Rep. Richard moved the previous question be ordered on the amendment, which motion was agreed to.

Rep. Chaney moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Harris objected.

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

**Motion**

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

ALFRED W. SPEER  
Clerk of the House

