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**THIRTY-SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

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

House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Thursday, May 12, 2016

The Committee was called to order at 2:42 P.M. by Chairman Anders.

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

**Motion**

Rep. Henry moved to suspend Rule 6.25 to consider House Bill No. 1 schedule by schedule, which motion was agreed to.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY  
AN ACT

Making annual appropriations for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 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. Jones sent up committee amendments which were read as follows:

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 12, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

"D. No income tax rebate shall be issued to any taxpayer with annual gross income of \$200,000 or more if the amount of the rebate is in excess of the taxpayers' income tax liability."

**Point of Order**

Rep. Lance Harris 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.

Rep. Jones moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Stokes objected.

**Ruling of the Chair**

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

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

By a vote of 37 yeas and 59 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 13, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

**"01-102 OFFICE OF THE STATE INSPECTOR GENERAL**

**EXPENDITURES:**

Administrative - Authorized Positions (16)	\$ 161,932
Nondiscretionary Expenditures	\$ 161,932
Discretionary Expenditures	\$ 1,530,533

**Program Description:** *The Office of the State Inspector General's mission as a statutorily empowered law enforcement agency is to investigate, detect, and prevent fraud, corruption, waste, inefficiencies, mismanagement, misconduct, and abuse in the executive branch of state government. The office's mission promotes a high level of integrity, efficiency, effectiveness, and economy in the operations of state government, increasing the general public's confidence and trust in state government.*

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 1,692,465

**MEANS OF FINANCE (NONDISCRETIONARY):**  
State General Fund (Direct)

\$ 161,932

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING (NONDISCRETIONARY) \$ 161,932

**MEANS OF FINANCE (DISCRETIONARY):**  
State General Fund (Direct)  
Federal Funds

\$ 1,514,203  
\$ 16,330

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING (DISCRETIONARY) \$ 1,530,533

**BY EXPENDITURE CATEGORY:**

Personal Services	\$ 687,318
Operating Expenses	\$ 104,875
Professional Services	\$ 0
Other Charges	\$ 0
Acquisitions/Major Repairs	<u>\$ 0</u>

TOTAL BY EXPENDITURE CATEGORY \$ 792,193"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 15, after line 44, insert the following:

"The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to adjust the means of financing in this agency by reducing the appropriation out of the State General Fund (Direct) by \$1,676,135."

**Ruling of the Chair**

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

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

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

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 19, after line 44, insert the following:

"Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Louisiana Public Defender Board Program \$ 6,300,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 46, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

"The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to adjust the means of financing in this agency by reducing the appropriation out of the State General Fund (Direct) by \$ 6,300,000."

**Ruling of the Chair**

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

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

Rep. Glover moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Mack objected.

By a vote of 30 yeas and 54 nays, the amendments were rejected.

**Acting Chairman Thibaut in the Chair**

**Chairman Anders in the Chair**

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 72, after line 42, insert the following:

**EXPENDITURES:**

Payments to Private Providers Program for rural hospitals \$ 8,889,017

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 8,889,017

**MEANS OF FINANCE:**

State General Fund (Direct) \$ 3,354,715  
Federal Funds \$ 5,534,302

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 8,889,017"

**Ruling of the Chair**

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

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

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

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 72, after line 42, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that there shall not be any reductions to reimbursements for rural hospitals."

**Ruling of the Chair**

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

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

On motion of Rep. Chaney, 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 Henry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 70, delete lines 12 through 39 in their entirety and delete page 71 in its entirety and on page 72, delete lines 1 through 24 in their entirety and insert the following:

"EXPENDITURES:  
 Payments to Private Providers Program for  
 payments to the Bogalusa partner hospital \$ 20,186,851  
 Uncompensated Care Costs Program for  
 payments to the Bogalusa partner hospital \$ 21,251,593  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 41,438,444

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 15,634,619  
 Federal Funds \$ 25,803,825  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 41,438,444

EXPENDITURES:  
 Payments to Private Providers Program for  
 payments to the Houma partner hospital \$ 37,759,202  
 Uncompensated Care Costs Program for  
 payments to the Houma partner hospital \$ 64,207,604  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$101,966,806

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 12,732,785  
 State General Fund by:  
 Fees and Self-generated Revenues \$ 24,788,545  
 Federal Funds \$ 64,445,476  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$101,966,806

EXPENDITURES:  
 Payments to Private Providers Program for  
 payments to the Baton Rouge partner hospital \$136,195,595  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$136,195,595

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 48,764,651  
 Federal Funds \$ 87,430,944  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$136,195,595

EXPENDITURES:  
 Payments to Private Providers Program for  
 payments to the New Orleans partner hospital \$258,865,082  
 Uncompensated Care Costs Program for  
 payments to the New Orleans partner hospital \$130,231,533  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$389,096,615

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 98,824,122  
 Federal Funds \$290,272,493  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$389,096,615

EXPENDITURES:  
 Payments to Private Providers Program for  
 payments to the Lafayette partner hospital \$ 92,143,033  
 Uncompensated Care Costs Program for  
 payments to the Lafayette partner hospital \$ 34,431,702  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$126,574,735

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 37,276,655  
 Federal Funds \$ 89,298,080  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$126,574,735

EXPENDITURES:  
 Uncompensated Care Costs Program for

payments to the Lallie Kemp Regional Medical  
 Center \$ 17,072,737  
 Payments to Private Providers Program for  
 payments to the Lallie Kemp Regional Medical  
 Center \$ 6,117,224  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 23,189,961

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 8,748,476  
 Federal Funds \$ 14,441,485  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 23,189,961

EXPENDITURES:  
 Payments to Private Providers Program for  
 payments to the Lake Charles partner hospital \$ 3,508,973  
 Uncompensated Care Costs Program for  
 payments to the Lake Charles partner hospital \$ 40,218,348  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 43,727,321

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 16,494,647  
 Federal Funds \$ 27,232,674  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 43,727,321

EXPENDITURES:  
 Payments to Private Providers Program for  
 payments to the Monroe partner hospital \$138,221,822  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$138,221,822

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 29,440,687  
 Federal Funds \$108,781,135  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$138,221,822

EXPENDITURES:  
 Uncompensated Care Costs Program for  
 payments to the Alexandria partner hospital \$ 41,585,959  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 41,585,959

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 15,686,224  
 Federal Funds \$ 25,899,735  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 41,585,959

EXPENDITURES:  
 Uncompensated Care Costs Program for  
 payments to the Shreveport partner hospital \$ 62,949,614  
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 62,949,614

MEANS OF FINANCE:  
 State General Fund (Direct) \$ 23,744,596  
 Federal Funds \$ 39,205,018  
 TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 62,949,614"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 103, between lines 42 and 43, insert the following:

"The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized and directed to adjust the means of financing for the TOPS Tuition Program in this agency by reducing the appropriation out of the State General Fund (Direct) by \$ 71,930,619."

**Ruling of the Chair**

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

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

Rep. Jackson moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Henry objected.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Abraham	Gaines	Lyons
Adams	Gisclair	Magee
Anders	Glover	Marcelle
Bagley	Guinn	Montoucet
Bagneris	Hall	Moreno
Billiot	Harris, J.	Morris, Jim
Bishop	Hill	Norton
Broadwater	Hunter	Pierre
Brown, C.	Jackson	Price
Brown, T.	James	Pylant
Carmody	Jefferson	Reynolds
Carter, R.	Jenkins	Shadoin
Cox	Johnson, R.	Smith
Danahay	Jones	White
Davis	Landry, T.	Zeringue
Dwight	LeBas	
Franklin	Leger	
Total - 49		

**NAYS**

Mr. Speaker	Harris, L.	McFarland
Abramson	Havard	Miguez
Amedee	Hazel	Miller, G.
Bacala	Henry	Morris, Jay
Berthelot	Hensgens	Pearson
Carter, S.	Hodges	Pope
Chaney	Hoffmann	Pugh
Connick	Hollis	Schexnayder
Coussan	Howard	Schroder
Cromer	Huval	Stokes
DeVillier	Ivey	Talbot
Edmonds	Landry, N.	Thibaut
Emerson	Leopold	Willmott
Foil	Lopinto	
Garofalo	Mack	
Total - 43		

**ABSENT**

Armes	Falconer	Miller, D.
Bouie	Hilferty	Richard
Carpenter	Horton	Seabaugh
Carter, G.	Johnson, M.	Simon
Total - 12		

The amendments were adopted.

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 Henry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 72, after line 42, insert the following:

"EXPENDITURES:

Payments to Private Providers Program for rural hospitals \$ 15,898,251

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 15,898,251

MEANS OF FINANCE:

State General Fund (Direct) \$ 6,000,000  
Federal Funds \$ 9,898,251

TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING \$ 15,898,251"

**Ruling of the Chair**

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

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

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

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

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 72, after line 42, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the Department of Health and Hospitals is authorized to collect copayments to the extent allowed by federal laws and regulations including 42 CFR 447.50."

**Ruling of the Chair**

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

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

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

**Motion**

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

ALFRED W. SPEER  
Clerk of the House