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VETOED MESSAGES OF
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FORTY-SECOND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION
OF THE LEGISLATURE
UNDER THE ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF 1974

BEGUN AND HELD IN THE CITY OF
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA
June 8, 2017, thru June 16, 2017

The information in this addendum to the Official Journal of the Forty-second Extraordinary Session of the Legislature under the adoption of the Constitution of 1974 contains the veto messages that were received after the legislative session sine’ die adjournment of June 16, 2017.

BY AUTHORITY

TAYLOR F. BARRAS
Speaker
House of Representatives

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk
House of Representatives
Messages from the Governor

The following messages from the Governor were received on the dates indicated:

STATE OF LOUISIANA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

John Bel Edwards
Governor

June 26, 2017

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RE: Line item veto of House Bill 1 of the 2017 Second Extraordinary Session

Dear Speaker Barras and President Alario:

Please allow this letter to inform you that I have signed House Bill 1 of the 2017 Second Extraordinary Session. However, I have exercised my line item veto authority granted to me by La. Const. Art. 4, § 5 to veto four items. These vetoes are explained below:

Veto no. 1: Page 3, line 31, beginning after the word Act through page 4, line 6
This provision attempts to create similar requirements as found in House Bill 132 of the 2017 Regular Session. I have vetoed this provision for the same reasons that I vetoed that bill. In addition, this provision clearly and improperly attempts to establish substantive law in an appropriation bill.

Veto no. 2: Page 12, lines 1-4
This provision, like the one above, improperly creates substantive law in House Bill 1. Further, it prohibits the application of Civil Service rules relating to pay for classified employees of levee districts. The Civil Service compensation redesign proposal which I have signed this week represents a true reform of pay increases for state civil service employees. This provision may cause levee districts to implement pay increases inconsistent with this reform.

Veto no. 3: Page 68, lines 52-53
This language improperly restricts the ability of the Louisiana Department of Health to handle possible reductions and to properly manage its budgeted appropriation.

Veto No. 4: Page 68, lines 54-56
This language improperly attempts to restrict non-state entities from reducing reimbursement rates for applied behavioral analysis services to Medicaid enrollees. Any regulation of these managed care organizations is more appropriately handled in contractual language with the Louisiana Department of Health.

Sincerely,

JOHN BEL EDWARDS
Governor

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RE: Line item veto of House Bill 2 of the 2017 Second Extraordinary Session

Dear Speaker Barras and President Alario:

Please allow this letter to inform you that I have signed House Bill 2 of the 2017 Second Extraordinary Session. However, I have exercised my line item veto authority granted to me by La. Const. Art. IV, Section 5(G)(1) to veto thirty-six items. House Bill 2 contains $930,991,155 in Priority 1 and $118,736,898 in Priority 2 general obligation bond appropriations, an increase of $47,515,300 and $67,695,098 respectively in the bill as originally introduced by my administration. In an effort to establish realistic expectations given the state’s limited bond capacity, I have vetoed items from this bill totaling $77,137,300. I have exercised my line item veto authority as follows:

Veto No. 1: Delete Page 16 of 124, Lines 20-28:
Authorizes $7,560,100 for LA 930 Reconstruction (Ascension).

Veto No. 2: Delete Page 16 of 124, Lines 29-35:
Authorizes $9,650,000 for LA 64 Capacity Improvements (LA 1019 to LA 16) Planning and Construction (Livingston).

Veto No. 3: Delete Page 37 of 124, Lines 10-14:
Authorizes $433,400 for Wiles Road and Kountry Corner Road Reconstruction, Planning and Construction (Caldwell).

Veto No. 4: Delete Page 38 of 124, Lines 24-28:
Authorizes $200,000 for Iberia Parish Highway 90 West Drainage Improvements (Iberia).
Veto No. 5: Delete Page 38 of 124, Lines 39-44:
Authorizes $1,990,000 for Airline Drive (US 61) at 17th Street Canal Drainage Crossing Railroad Bridge Replacement, Planning and Construction (Jefferson).

Veto No. 6: Delete Page 43 of 124, Lines 17-20:
Authorizes $120,000 for Belle Chasse Parks, Planning and Construction (Plaquemines).

Veto No. 7: Delete Page 46 of 124, Lines 22-27:
Authorizes $9,585,200 for South Slidell Levee Protection Rehabilitation (USACE 533d Report for Levees West and East of I-10) Planning and Construction (St. Tammany).

Veto No. 8: Delete Page 48 of 124, Lines 21-27:
Authorizes $495,000 for Roadway Reconstruction, Planning and Construction (Winn).

Veto No. 9: Delete Page 48 of 124, Lines 28-34:
Authorizes $375,000 for City of Abbeville Flood Damage Reduction and Drainage Improvement Projects, Planning and Construction (Vermilion).

Veto No. 10: Delete Page 49 of 124, Lines 9-14:
Authorizes $110,000 for Anacoco Street Rehabilitation - Liles Road and East Road, Planning and Construction (Vernon).

Veto No. 11: Delete Page 49 of 124, Lines 32-38:
Authorizes $1,453,700 for Louisiana Technology Research Institute (Bossier).

Veto No. 12: Delete Page 50 of 124, Lines 25-30:
Authorizes $300,000 for Church Point Sewer System Improvements, Planning and Construction (Acadia).

Veto No. 13: Delete Page 52 of 124, Lines 14-18:
Authorizes $200,000 for Recreational Park and Trails, Planning and Construction (St. Tammany).

Veto No. 14: Delete Page 55 of 124, Lines 12-18:
Authorizes $500,000 for City of Kaplan Street Improvements, Reconstruction and Drainage Improvements Project, Planning and Construction (Vermilion).

Veto No. 15: Delete Page 55 of 124, Lines 19-24:
Authorizes $250,000 for Killian Police and Fire Joint Operation Building, Planning and Construction (Livingston).

Veto No. 16: Delete Page 56 of 124, Lines 9-14:
Authorizes $150,000 for Leonville Boat Launch Facility Improvements Phase II, Planning and Construction (St. Landry).

Veto No. 17: Delete Page 57 of 124, Lines 1-6:
Authorizes $720,000 for New Village Hall for the Village of Maurice, Planning and Construction (Vermilion).

Veto No. 18: Delete Page 59 of 124, Lines 49-53:
Authorizes $335,000 for Water Distribution System Improvements, Planning and Construction (Caddo).

Veto No. 19: Delete Page 60 of 124, Lines 23-30:
Authorizes $865,000 for Municipal Complex, Village Hall, Acquisition, Planning, Construction and Renovation (St. Martin).

Veto No. 20: Delete Page 61 of 124, Lines 7-11:
Authorizes $230,000 for Wastewater Treatment Plant, Planning and Construction (Jackson).

Veto No. 21: Delete Page 64 of 124, Lines 22-27:
Authorizes $2,110,000 for Golf Course Development, Planning and Development ($5,000,000 Local/Other Match Consisting of Cash and/or In-Kind, with First Year not to Exceed $200,000) (Calcasieu).

Veto No. 22: Delete Page 67 of 124, Lines 37-44:
Authorizes $10,810,000 for New Town Industrial Park Infrastructures Westside of Airfield, Acquisition, Planning and Construction (Rapides).

Veto No. 23: Delete Page 69 of 124, Lines 16-21:
Authorizes $100,000 for Capital Area YMCA - Long Farms, Acquisition, Planning and Construction (East Baton Rouge).

Veto No. 24: Delete Page 73 of 124, Lines 38-44:
Authorizes $93,000 for Multi-Purpose Recreation Facility, Planning and Construction (Beauregard).

Veto No. 25: Delete Page 76 of 124, Lines 32-36:
Authorizes $2,000,000 for Lafayette Central Park Improvements (Lafayette).

Veto No. 26: Delete Page 76 of 124, Lines 37-47:
Authorizes $12,500,000 for Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center, Mid-City Neighborhood Clinic and Urgent Care Center, Planning and Construction (East Baton Rouge).

Veto No. 27: Delete Page 84 of 124, Lines 44-48:
Authorizes $2,660,000 for Five Lane Road Extension from Highway 675 to Highway 3212, Planning and Construction (Iberia).

Veto No. 28: Delete Page 86 of 124, Lines 12-17:
Authorizes $1,485,000 for River Styx, Pump Station and Force Main Replacement, Planning and Construction (Ouachita).

Veto No. 29: Delete Page 89 of 124, Lines 13-17:
Authorizes $245,000 for Rehabilitate LA Hwy 182 from US 90 to LA Hwy 89, Planning and Construction (Lafayette).

Veto No. 30: Delete Page 89 of 124, Lines 18-22:
Authorizes $2,240,000 for Three-Lane LA 182 in the City of Broussard, Planning and Construction ($750,000 Match) (Lafayette).

Veto No. 31: Delete Page 98 of 124, Lines 8-14:
Authorizes $89,900 for Family Center of Hope Community Center in New Orleans, Planning and Construction ($600,000 Local Match) (Orleans).

Veto No. 32: Delete Page 98 of 124, Lines 36-43:
Authorizes $1,000,000 for Belle Chasse YMCA, Phase II, Planning and Construction (Plaquemines).
Veto No. 33: Delete Page 101 of 124, Lines 27-32:
Authorizes $182,000 for Multipurpose Center, Planning and Major Renovation (Sabine).

Veto No. 34: Delete Page 102 of 124, Lines 19-22:
Authorizes $1,000,000 for Verot School Road, Construction (Lafayette).

Veto No. 35: Delete Page 102 of 124, Lines 23-27:
Authorizes $1,200,000 for LA Highway 616 (Caldwell Road to LA Highway 143), Planning and Construction (Ouachita).

Veto No. 36: Delete Page 103 of 124, Lines 14-21:
Authorizes $3,900,000 for Land Acquisition, Planning and Construction (Bossier).

Enclosed is a copy of the signed version of House Bill 2. I have sent the original to the Secretary of State.

Sincerely,

JOHN BEL EDWARDS
Governor

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June 29, 2017

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RE: Veto of House Bill 7 of 2017 Second Extraordinary Session

Dear Speaker Barras:

Please be advised that I have vetoed House Bill 7 of the 2017 Second Extraordinary Session. The language contained in House Bill 7 is identical to the language contained in Sections 8-11 of House Bill 3. As I have signed House Bill 3, House Bill 7 is unnecessary.

Sincerely,

JOHN BEL EDWARDS
Governor