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FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, April 15, 2019

The House of Representatives was called to order at 4:16 P.M., by the Honorable Taylor Barras, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Morning Hour

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker	Foil	Lyons
Abraham	Franklin	Mack
Abramson	Gaines	Magee
Adams	Garofalo	Marcelle
Amedee	Gisclair	Marino
Anders	Glover	McFarland
Armes	Guinn	McMahen
Bacala	Harris, J.	Miguez
Bagley	Harris, L.	Miller, D.
Bagneris	Henry	Miller, G.
Berthelot	Hilferty	Moore
Billiot	Hill	Morris, Jay
Bishop	Hodges	Morris, Jim
Bouie	Hoffmann	Moss
Bourriaque	Hollis	Muscarello
Brass	Horton	Norton
Brown, C.	Howard	Pearson
Brown, T.	Huval	Pierre
Carmody	Ivey	Pope
Carter, G.	Jackson	Pugh
Carter, S.	James	Richard
Chaney	Jefferson	Schexnayder
Connick	Jenkins	Seabaugh
Coussan	Johnson, M.	Simon
Cox	Johnson, R.	Smith
Crews	Jones	Stagni
Davis	Jordan	Stefanski
DeVillier	LaCombe	Stokes
DuBuisson	Landry, N.	Talbot
Duplessis	Landry, T.	Thomas
Dwight	Larvadain	Turner

Edmonds	LeBas	White
Emerson	Leger	Wright
Falconer	Leopold	Zeringue
Total - 102		

The Speaker announced that there were 102 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rev. Christina "Chris" Dawson-Butler, Pastor of Mount Cyrene Baptist Church in Plaquemine.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Rep. Hill, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Hill, the Journal of April 10, 2019, was adopted.

**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. 33—

BY REPRESENTATIVES JAMES, CARPENTER, JORDAN, MARCELLE, AND SMITH

A RESOLUTION

To recognize May 6-11, 2019, as Baton Rouge North Economic Development Week at the state capitol.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 34—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BISHOP

A RESOLUTION

To commend Christopher F. D'Elia, dean of the Louisiana State University College of the Coast and Environment and professor of oceanography and coastal sciences, upon his receipt in 2019 of the first ever awarded "Wes Tunnell Lifetime Recognition for Gulf Science and Conservation".

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 35—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Northlake Christian School boys' soccer team upon winning the 2019 Louisiana High School Athletic Association Division IV state championship.

Read by title.

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

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 36—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

A RESOLUTION

To commend the St. Scholastica Academy girls soccer team upon winning the 2019 Louisiana High School Athletic Association Division I state championship.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 37—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

A RESOLUTION

To commend the St. Paul boys' soccer team on winning the 2019 Louisiana High School Athletic Association Division I state championship.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 38—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Tuesday, April 16, 2019, as LSU Day at the state capitol.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 39—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Thursday, April 25, 2019, as Junior League Day at the state capitol and to commend the Junior League for its contributions to the state of Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 40—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the members of the House of Representatives upon the death of Scott Edward Frazier of Baton Rouge.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 41—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL

A RESOLUTION

To commend Bailey Tinsley for his many accomplishments as an extraordinary student at Louisiana State University.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 27—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Dr. A. Wayne Orr for his extraordinary impact on combating cardiovascular disease, procuring research funding, and training researchers.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GAINES, BAGNERIS, BOUIE, BRASS, CARPENTER, GARY CARTER, COX, DUPLESSIS, FRANKLIN, GLOVER, JIMMY HARRIS, JACKSON, JAMES, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, JORDAN, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MARCELLE, DUSTIN MILLER, MOORE, NORTON, PIERRE, AND SMITH AND SENATORS BARROW, BISHOP, BOUDREAUX, CARTER, COLOMB, MORRELL, PETERSON, PRICE, AND TARVER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate Monday, April 15, 2019, as Diversity in Energy Day at the state capital.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29—

BY REPRESENTATIVE STEVE CARTER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Community Coffee on its centennial celebration.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 30—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request continued support for the efforts by the state of Louisiana and other states in the Mississippi River Basin to work together toward achieving the goals of the Gulf Hypoxia Action Plan and a reduction of the hypoxic zone off the coast of Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 29—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT JOHNSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:620(E), relative to health insurance premiums for certain retirees; to provide relative to payment of insurance premiums for certain retirees of the Hazardous Duty Services Plan in the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 381—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MIGUEZ
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:140.112(A)(1) and (3), relative to railroad districts; to modify the requirements to serve on the Vermilion and Iberia Railroad Development District board; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**House and House Concurrent Resolutions
Lying Over**

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions lying over were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Board of Regents to study how the state can best meet the legal education needs of students and the economic and workforce development needs of the Shreveport-Bossier region, including but not limited to meeting these needs through establishing a campus of the Southern University Law Center in Shreveport, and to submit a written report of findings and recommendations to the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education by not later than ninety days prior to the beginning of the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 26—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health to cause the resumption of the department's effort to implement a Medicaid managed long-term services and supports system and to report to the legislative committees on appropriations, finance, and health and welfare by a certain date concerning the status of this effort.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

**Senate Concurrent Resolutions
Lying Over**

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions lying over were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—
BY SENATOR BARROW
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize June 12, 2019, as Women Veterans Day in Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—
BY SENATOR BARROW
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To declare April 17, 2019, as 100 Black Women of Metropolitan Baton Rouge Day in Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6—
BY SENATOR CLAITOR AND REPRESENTATIVE FOIL
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Joseph Patton "Beaver" Brantley IV, a man of many accomplishments and a well-respected attorney in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7—
BY SENATOR CLAITOR
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death, on January 24, 2019, of dedicated and beloved priest and tireless advocate for the disabled, Father Patrick Joseph Mascarella, at the age of seventy-seven.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11—
BY SENATOR PETERSON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize Wednesday, April 24, 2019, as the thirty-fifth annual Red and White Day at the Louisiana Legislature.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12—
BY SENATOR JOHNS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend T.S. Cooley Elementary Magnet School in Calcasieu Parish upon being recognized as an "Exemplary High Performance School" and as a 2018 National Blue Ribbon School.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—
BY SENATOR JOHNS AND REPRESENTATIVE LEGER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize April 17, 2019, as CASA Day at the Legislature and to commend the Louisiana Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) programs and volunteers for their outstanding work on behalf of the abused and neglected children of Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15—
BY SENATOR LONG
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Tom Kelly on his accomplishments in the newspaper industry.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—
BY SENATOR JOHNS AND REPRESENTATIVE DWIGHT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Betty Jane Bates.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20—
BY SENATOR PEACOCK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Kathryn M. Ferguson of Shreveport upon receipt of the 2019 of Louisiana Middle School Teacher of the Year award from the Louisiana State Department of Education and to recognize her many contributions to education and the teaching profession.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—
BY SENATOR PEACOCK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Ricky Kilpatrick for thirty-three years of exemplary public service and to congratulate him upon his retirement from the LSU AgCenter on October 31, 2018.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—
BY SENATOR PEACOCK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Frank J. "Champ" Cicero Sr., teacher, athletic coach, and mentor; a man who was fulfilled by his service to his God, to his family, to his students, and to his community.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23—
BY SENATOR PEACOCK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Bob Griffin of Shreveport, Louisiana, for nearly six decades of excellence in broadcast journalism and to congratulate him upon receipt of the 2018 Gold Circle Emmy Award.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24—
BY SENATOR PEACOCK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the passing of Duane K. Ebarb of Shreveport, a kind and caring individual who worked tirelessly as a champion for the rights of the disabled as a consultant, public servant, educator, administrator, and friend.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 26—
BY SENATOR PEACOCK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize Thursday, April 25, 2019, as Junior League Day at the state capitol and to commend the Junior League for its contributions to the state of Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Second Reading to be Referred**

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading to be referred to committees were taken up, read, and referred to committees, as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 584—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON
AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 47:321.1, relative to state sales and use taxes; to repeal a certain state sales and use tax levy; to repeal the rate and base of the tax; 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.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Anders, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Introduction of Resolutions, House and House Concurrent at this time.

**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. 42—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDERS

A RESOLUTION

To recognize April 18, 2019, as Lineman Appreciation Day in Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

**Introduction of House Bills
and Joint Resolutions**

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 585—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JIMMY HARRIS AND SENATOR MORRELL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:4312(3) and to enact R.S. 47:4315(A)(6), relative to ad valorem taxes; to provide for certain definitions; to add opportunity zones to properties eligible to participate in the Restoration Tax Abatement program; to provide for certain limitations and requirements; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 586—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JIMMY HARRIS AND SENATOR MORRELL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6020(G) and to enact R.S. 47:6020(H); relative to tax credits; to provide with respect to the Angel Investor Tax Credit program; to authorize an enhanced tax credit for certain eligible investments; to provide for certain limitations and requirements; to extend the termination date of the program; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 587—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MARINO AND SENATOR MARTINY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 27:29.1(D) and (E), 29.2(A) and (B), 29.3(A)(1) and (2), and 29.4(D) and to enact R.S. 27:29.2.1, 608, and 609, relative to the taxation of certain sports wagering gaming; to levy a state tax on certain sports wagering gaming; to provide for certain fees; to provide for certain requirements, conditions and limitations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on
Civil Law and Procedure
April 15, 2019

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 32, by Thomas
Reported favorably. (7-0)

House Bill No. 51, by Huval
Reported with amendments. (5-2)

House Bill No. 197, by Foil
Reported with amendments. (7-0)

House Bill No. 249, by Connick
Reported with amendments. (6-0)

House Bill No. 372, by Talbot
Reported with amendments. (5-2)

House Bill No. 489, by DuBuisson
Reported favorably. (7-0)

RAYMOND E. GAROFALO, JR.
Chairman

Report of the Committee on
Transportation, Highways and Public Works
April 15, 2019

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 66, by Brown, Terry
Reported with amendments. (16-0)

House Bill No. 68, by Thomas
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 79, by DuBuisson
Reported favorably. (16-0)

House Bill No. 115, by Wright
Reported with amendments. (16-0)

House Bill No. 232, by Turner
Reported with amendments. (16-0)

House Bill No. 317, by Howard
Reported with amendments. (16-0)

House Bill No. 365, by Miller, D.
Reported favorably. (16-0)

House Bill No. 457, by Howard
Reported with amendments. (16-0)

House Bill No. 481, by Carter, G.
Reported favorably. (13-0)

TERRY C. LANDRY, SR.
Chairman

Report of the Committee on
Ways and Means
April 15, 2019

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Ways and Means to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 60, by Morris, Jay
Reported with amendments. (18-0)

House Bill No. 280, by McFarland
Reported favorably. (18-0)

NEIL C. ABRAMSON
Chairman

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

April 15, 2019

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

I am directed by your Committee on Enrollment to submit the following report:

The following House Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 29—
BY REPRESENTATIVES PUGH AND MUSCARELLO
A RESOLUTION

To commend Southeastern Louisiana University baseball players Trey Morgan, Evan Pace, and Kyle Schimpf for remarkable heroism in rescuing a woman from a burning car.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 30—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GARY CARTER
A RESOLUTION

To commend All Saints Catholic Church in New Orleans on its one hundredth anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 31—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JEFFERSON
A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Napoleon "Fat Sam" Meadors, Jr.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 32—
BY REPRESENTATIVES JORDAN AND SMITH
A RESOLUTION

To designate Monday, April 15, 2019, as ExxonMobil Day at the legislature, to commend ExxonMobil for their long-term contributions to the economy of the state of Louisiana and to the prosperity of her citizens, and to commend and congratulate the employees and retirees of ExxonMobil for their continuous pursuit of excellence.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKIE HOWARD
Chairman

The above House Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

April 15, 2019

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

I am directed by your Committee on Enrollment to submit the following report:

The following House Concurrent Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOFFMANN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana Association of Health Plans and to recognize Monday, April 15, 2019, as Louisiana Association of Health Plans Day at the state capitol.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOFFMANN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate May 19-25, 2019, as Emergency Medical Services Week in Louisiana.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana on the death of Father Patrick Joseph "Pat" Mascarella.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKIE HOWARD
Chairman

The above House Concurrent Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken to the Senate by the Clerk of the House and were signed by the President of the Senate and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Nancy Landry, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Education to receive the tentative weekly on a date not scheduled.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Nancy Landry, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Education to meet on Tuesday, April 15, 2019, at 2:00 P.M. or upon adjournment of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Terry Landry, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to meet on Tuesday, April 16, 2019, and consider the following legislative instruments that were not listed on the weekly committee schedule as required by House Rule 14.23:

House Bill Nos. 309 and 357

Leave of Absence

Rep. Robby Carter - 4 days

Rep. Carpenter - 1 day

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Billiot, at 5:01 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, April 16, 2019, at 4:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, April 16, 2019.

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House