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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, June 8, 2020

The House of Representatives was called to order at 1:14 P.M.,
by the Honorable Clay Schexnayder, Speaker of the House of
Representatives.

Morning Hour

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker
Adams
Amedee
Bacala
Bagley
Beaulieu
Bishop
Bourriaque
Brown
Bryan
Butler
Carpenter
Carrier
Carrier, G.
Carrier, R.
Carter, W.
Cormier
Coussan
Crews
Davis
DeVillier
DuBuisson
Duplessis
Dwright
Echols
Edmonds
Edmonston
Emerson
Firment
Fontenot

McKnight
McMahan
Miller, D.
Miller, G.
Mincey
Moore
Muscarello
Nelson
Newell
Owen, C.
Owen, R.
Pierre
Presley
Riser
Romero
Schamerhorn
Seabaugh
Selders
St. Blanc
Stagni
Stefanski
Tarver
Thomas
Turner
Villio
Wheat
White
Willard
Wright
Zeringue

The Speaker announced that there were 92 members present and
a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rep. Huval.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Edmonston 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. Huval, the reading of the Journal was
dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Huval, the Journal of June 5, 2020, 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. 11—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER
A RESOLUTION
To commend BHP for its contributions to the state of Louisiana
during its response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 12—
BY REPRESENTATIVE STAGNI
A RESOLUTION
To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the
death, on March 17, 2020, of Amber Stevens.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 13—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES
A RESOLUTION
To authorize and direct the creation of a study group to study law
enforcement systems and policing and to report its findings to
the House of Representatives prior to the convening of the 2021
Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DAVIS, BAGLEY, BRASS, HILFERTY, JAMES,
LACOMBE, MAGIE, PIERRE, SCHEXNAYDER, STAGNI, AND TURNER
AND SENATORS FOIL, MCMATH, AND WARD
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Samir
Salman, accomplished civil engineer and distinguished alumnus of
Louisiana State University.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Davis, 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. 53**
BY REPRESENTATIVE IVEY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9021(8) and (10) and 9022(1) and to enact R.S. 33:2759, relative to payments in lieu of ad valorem property taxes; to authorize an exemption to allow for payments in lieu of ad valorem property taxes pursuant to certain cooperative endeavor agreements; to provide for the introduction of evidence of the failure to wear a safety belt under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 54**
BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBBY CARTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:295.1(E), relative to the requirement to wear safety belts while operating a motor vehicle; to provide for the introduction of evidence of the failure to wear a safety belt under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 55**
BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9021(8) and (10) and 9022(1) and to enact R.S. 33:2760, relative to payments in lieu of ad valorem property taxes; to authorize an exemption to allow for payments in lieu of ad valorem property taxes pursuant to certain cooperative endeavor agreements; to provide for the introduction of evidence of the failure to wear a safety belt under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 56**
BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBBY CARTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:295.1(E), relative to the requirement to wear safety belts while operating a motor vehicle; to provide for the introduction of evidence of the failure to wear a safety belt under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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. 49**
BY REPRESENTATIVE IVEY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9021(8) and (10) and 9022(1) and to enact R.S. 33:2760, relative to payments in lieu of ad valorem property taxes; to authorize an exemption to allow for payments in lieu of ad valorem property taxes pursuant to certain cooperative endeavor agreements; to provide for the introduction of evidence of the failure to wear a safety belt under certain circumstances; 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. 50**
BY REPRESENTATIVE IVEY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9021(8) and (10), and 9022(1) and to enact R.S. 33:2759, relative to payments in lieu of ad valorem taxes; to authorize local ad valorem taxing authorities to enter
into cooperative endeavor agreements that provide for payments in lieu of taxes for certain properties; to provide for local advisory committees for each parish; to provide for the authority, membership, and responsibilities of the local advisory committees; to provide for certain processes; to provide for certain definitions; 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. 57—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 1732(1) and 4872 and Code of Evidence Article 409, to enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 4873.1, and to repeal R.S. 32:295.1(E), relative to civil actions; to lower the jury trial threshold; to limit the transfer of cases from courts of limited jurisdiction to district courts; to authorize the admissibility of evidence of medical expenses paid under certain circumstances; to repeal provisions prohibiting certain evidence regarding the failure to wear safety belts; 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 Civil Law and Procedure.

**Senate Concurrent Resolutions Lying Over**

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—**
BY SENATOR CARTER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Malcolm John Rebennack Jr., "Dr. John, the Night Tripper".

Read by title.

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—**
BY SENATOR CARTER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Arthur "Art" Lanon Neville.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—**
BY SENATOR PRICE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Marvin Charles Gros Sr.

Read by title.

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

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**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Magee, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage at this time.

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage**

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on third reading and final passage were taken up and acted upon as follows:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 4—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE MAGEE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6019(A)(1)(a) and (C), relative to the tax credit for the rehabilitation of historic structures; to extend the date for certain expenses to qualify for the tax credit; to provide for the effectiveness of the tax credit; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Harris to Engrossed House Bill No. 4 by Representative Magee

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**
On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 47:6019(A)(1)(a)" and before "and (C)," insert "and (c)"

**AMENDMENT NO. 2**
On page 1, line 4, after "for the tax credit;" and before "to provide" insert "to establish an annual cap on the maximum amount of credits that may be claimed;"

**AMENDMENT NO. 3**
On page 1, line 7, after "R.S. 47:6019(A)(1)(a)" and before "and (C)" insert "and (c)"

**AMENDMENT NO. 4**
On page 1, after line 20, insert the following:

"(c) No taxpayer, or any entity affiliated with such taxpayer, shall claim more than five million dollars of credit annually for any number of structures rehabilitated with a particular downtown development or cultural district. The maximum amount of tax credits that may be claimed by all taxpayers pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall not exceed one hundred fifty million dollars annually. Tax credits shall be paid by the Department of Revenue on a first-come, first-served basis, and all credits received on the last day in which the maximum amount of credits is reached shall be reduced on a pro rata basis so as not to exceed the maximum amount of credits authorized to be claimed in any one year."  

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

Rep. Magee moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:
YEAS
Mr. Speaker  Freeman  McFarland
Adams  Freiberg  McKnight
Amedee  Frieman  McMahan
Bacala  Gadbrey  Miller, D.
Bagley  Gaines  Miller, G.
Beaullieu  Garofalo  Mincey
Bishop  Goudeau  Moore
Bourriaque  Green  Muscarello
Brown  Harris  Nelson
Bryant  Henry  Newell
Butler  Hilferty  Owen, C.
Carpenter  Horton  Owen, R.
Carrier  Hughes  Pierre
Carter, G.  Huval  Pressly
Carter, R.  Ivey  Romero
Cormier  James  Schamerhorn
Cox  Jenkins  St. Blanc
Davis  Johnson, M.  Stagni
DeVillier  Johnson, T.  Stefanski
DuBuisson  Jordan  Tarver
Duplessis  Kerner  Thomas
Dwight  LaCombe  Turner
Echols  Landry  Villio
Edmonds  Larvadain  Wheat
Edmonston  Lyons  White
Emerson  Mack  Willard
Firment  Magee  Wright
Fontenot  Marcelle  Zeringue
Total - 90

NAYS
McCormick
Total - 1

ABSENT
Brass  Hodges  Phelps
Crews  Hollis  Seabaugh
Deshotel  Jones  Thompson
Farnum  Marino  
Glover  Miguez
Total - 13

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Magee moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Horton, 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 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request governing authorities of public schools to continue to follow the operational pay schedule for school bus operators during emergencies.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on Commerce
June 8, 2020

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 21, by Magee
Reported favorably. (15-0)

House Bill No. 39, by Davis
Reported with amendments. (15-0)

PAULA P. DAVIS
Chairwoman

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment
June 8, 2020

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. 3—

A RESOLUTION
To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Ernest D. Wooton, former state representative and former sheriff of Plaquemines Parish.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRYANT
A RESOLUTION
To commend New Iberia Senior High School head basketball coach Todd Russ for his work in the Acadiana community.
HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 5—
BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHEXNAYDER, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAGLEY, BEAULIEU, BISHOP, BOURBAQUE, BRASS, BROWN, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARPENTER, CARRIER, GARY CARTER, ROBBY CARTER, WILFORD CARTER, CORMIER, COUSSSAN, COX, CREWS, DAVIS, DEVILLIER, DESHOTEL, DUBUISSON, DUPLESSIS, DWIGHT, ECHOLS, EDMONDS, EDMONSON, EMERSON, FARNUM, FERREIRA, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREEMAN, FREDERICK, GADDIS, GAINES, GAROFALO, GLOVER, GOUDEAU, GREEN, HARRIS, HENRY, HILFERTY, HODGES, HOLLIS, HORTON, HUGHES, ILLE, IVEY, JAMES, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, MIKE JOHNSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, JONES, JORDAN, KERNER, LACOMBE, LANDRY, LARVAUDAIN, LYONS, MACK, MAGEE, MARCELLE, MARINO, MCMURRICK, MCLARLAND, MCKINIGHT, MCMAHEN, MIGUEZ, DUSTIN MILLER, GREGORY MILLER, MINCEY, MOORE, MUSCARELLO, NELSON, NEWELL, CHARLES OWEN, ROBERT OWEN, PHILPS, PIERRE, PRESSLY, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SEABAUGH, SELDERS, ST. BLANC, STAGNI, STEFANSKI, TARVER, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, VILLIO, WHEAT, WHITE, WILLARD, WRIGHT, AND ZERINGUE

A RESOLUTION
To commend Mechelle Evans, Louisiana Rural Caucus administrative director, on receipt of the 2020 Legislative Staff Achievement Award from the Leadership Staff Professional Association of the National Conference of State Legislatures.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY
Chair

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.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Gregory Miller, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to meet on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, and consider the following legislative instruments that were not listed on the weekly committee schedule as required by House Rule 14.23:

House Bills Nos. 43, 44, and 57

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Bishop, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Ways and Means to meet on Tuesday, June 9, 2020, 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. 35, 36, 37, 38, and 41

Leave of Absence

Rep. Marino - 1 day

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. White, at 3:20 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, June 9, 2020, at 1:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 1:00 P.M., Tuesday, June 9, 2020.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House

Committee Meeting Notices

The following committees posted notices as follows:

Committee on Appropriations
Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020
Location: Committee Room 5

HB 6 IVEY FUNDS/FUNDING Establishes the State Cybersecurity and Information Technology Fund and dedicates revenues to the fund (Items #10 and #11)

HB 15 IVEY BUDGETARY CONTROLS Establishes the State Budget Authority Reserve Trust for use as an extra source of revenue for executive department agencies (Item #11)

HB 27 ZERINGUE COURTS/COURT REPORTERS Provides relative to the creation of the certified shorthand reporters fund (Items #10 and #11)

HB 34 ECHOLS FUNDS/FUNDING Creates the Louisiana Opioid Settlement Fund (Item #11)

HB 40 IVEY LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for laws relative to statutory dedications (Item #11)

OTHER BUSINESS:
COMMITTEE ROOM 6 TO BE USED FOR OVERFLOW

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Persons who do not feel comfortable giving testimony in person at this time may submit a prepared statement in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee:

A. Any interested person or any committee member may file with the committee a prepared statement concerning a specific instrument or matter under consideration by the committee or concerning any matter within the committee's scope of authority, and the committee records shall reflect receipt of such statement and the date and time thereof.

B. Any person who files a prepared statement which contains data or statistical information shall include in such prepared statement sufficient information to identify the source of the data or statistical information. For the purposes of this Paragraph, the term "source" shall mean a publication, website, person, or other source from which the data or statistical information contained in the prepared statement was obtained by the person or persons who prepared the statement.

NOTE: Only statements mailed to andressk@legis.la.gov and received prior to 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 8th, will be included in the record for this committee meeting. All persons desiring to participate in the meeting shall utilize appropriate protective health measures and observe the recommended and appropriate social distancing.

JEROME "ZEE" ZERINGUE
Chairman

Committee on Civil Law and Procedure
Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.
Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2020
Location: Committee Room 1
HCR 4  SCHEXNAYDER LIABILITY/TORTS  Suspend provisions of law relative to recoverable medical expenses (Item #40)

HB 5  MARINO CIVIL/LAW  Provides for the emergency suspension of time limitations in certain civil proceedings (Item #40)

HB 11  STEFANSKI TAX/SALES & USE  Provides for the amount of compensation persons required to collect state sales and use tax may deduct for remitting taxes (Item #30)

HB 13  WRIGHT TAX CREDITS  Authorizes certain retail businesses to participate in the Enterprise Zone incentive (Item #18)

HB 14  SCHEXNAYDER TAX/SALES & USE  (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes the legislature to provide by law for the collection of sales and use taxes levied within the state (Item #27)

HB 17  BISHOP, S. TAX/CORP FRANCHISE  Suspend the corporation franchise tax levied on certain taxable capital and suspends the initial corporation franchise tax levied on certain entities (Item #16)

HB 18  WRIGHT TAX/TAX REBATES  Provides relative to the Competitive Projects Payroll Incentive Program (Item #18)

HB 19  PRESSLY TAX/TAX REBATES  Extends eligibility requirements for certain industries to participate in the Quality Jobs Program (Item #18)

HB 22  DAVIS TAX/SALES & USE  Provides for the rate and aggregate amount of compensation authorized for the collection and remittance of state sales and use taxes (Item #30)

HB 23  DWIGHT TAX/AD VALOREM TAX  (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes certain agreements that provide for payments in lieu of ad valorem taxes (Item #28)

HB 25  WRIGHT TAX/CORP INCOME  Authorizes carry-back provisions for the net operating loss deduction for purposes of calculating corporate income tax (Item #20)

HB 28  DWIGHT TAX/AD VALOREM TAX  Authorizes agreements between political subdivisions and taxpayers that may provide for certain payments in lieu of ad valorem taxes (Item #28)

HB 33  IVEY (TBA) TAX/AD VALOREM-EXEMPTION  (Constitutional Amendment) Establishes an ad valorem tax exemption for certain property subject to a cooperative endeavor agreement requiring the property owner to make payments in lieu of taxes (Item #28) (Subject to Rule Suspension)

HB 35  BISHOP, S. (TBA) FUNDS/FUNDING  Creates the Capital Outlay Savings Fund (Subject to Rule Suspension)

HB 36  IVEY (TBA) TAX/AD VALOREM-EXEMPTION  (Constitutional Amendment) Establishes certain property tax exemptions for capital investment projects (Item #28) (Subject to Rule Suspension)

HB 37  HARRIS, LANCE (TBA) REVENUE DEPARTMENT  Requires the Department of Revenue to waive penalties and interest for certain taxpayers for tax year 2019 (Item #29) (Subject to Rule Suspension)

HB 38  IVEY (TBA) TAX/AD VALOREM TAX  (Constitutional Amendment) To authorize local taxing authorities to enter into cooperative endeavor agreements for the purpose of payments in lieu of taxes (Item #28) (Subject to Rule Suspension)

HB 41  IVEY (TBA) TAX/AD VALOREM TAX  (Constitutional Amendment) Establishes an ad valorem tax exemption for capital investment projects and for certain property subject to a cooperative endeavor agreement requiring the property owner to make payments in lieu of taxes (Item #28) (Subject to Rule Suspension)
OTHER BUSINESS:
To review and approve the third party convenience fee schedules for certain online service transactions pursuant to R.S. 49:316.1 for the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV).

COMMITTEE ROOM 3 TO BE USED FOR OVERFLOW

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
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STUART J. BISHOP
Chairman