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FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

**Forty-seventh Extraordinary Session of the Legislature
Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, September 28, 2020

The House of Representatives was called to order at 6:02 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	Freiberg	McFarland
Adams	Frieman	McKnight
Amedee	Gadberry	McMahon
Bacala	Gaines	Miguez
Bagley	Garofalo	Miller, D.
Beaulieu	Goudeau	Miller, G.
Bishop	Green	Mincey
Bourriaque	Harris	Moore
Brass	Henry	Nelson
Brown	Hilferty	Newell
Bryant	Hodges	Owen, C.
Butler	Hollis	Owen, R.
Carpenter	Horton	Phelps
Carrier	Hughes	Pierre
Carter, G.	Huval	Pressly
Carter, R.	Illg	Riser
Cormier	Ivey	Romero
Coussan	James	Schamerhorn
Cox	Jefferson	Seabaugh
Crews	Jenkins	Selders
Davis	Johnson, M.	St. Blanc
Deshotel	Johnson, T.	Stefanski
DeVillier	Jones	Tarver
Duplessis	Jordan	Thomas
Dwight	Kerner	Thompson
Echols	LaCombe	Turner
Edmonds	Landry	Villio
Edmonston	Larvadain	Wheat
Emerson	Lyons	White
Farnum	Mack	Willard
Firment	Magee	Wright

Fontenot
Freeman
Total - 98

Marcelle
McCormick

Zeringue

The Speaker announced that there were 98 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by former Rep. Neil Abramson.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

**Petitions, Memorials, and
Communications**

The following petitions, memorials, and communications were received and read:

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
LEGISLATURE of LOUISIANA
Baton Rouge**

PROCLAMATION

By virtue of the authority vested in us by Paragraph B of Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution of Louisiana and by R.S. 24:11, upon receipt of the written petition of a majority of the elected members of each house, Clay Schexnayder, Speaker of the House and Patrick Page Cortez, President of the Senate,

HEREBY CALL AND CONVENE

**THE LEGISLATURE OF LOUISIANA INTO
EXTRAORDINARY SESSION**

to convene at the State Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, during thirty (30) calendar days, beginning at 6:00 p.m. on the 28th day of September, 2020, and ending no later than 6:00 p.m. on the 27th day of October, 2020. The power to legislate at such session shall be limited, under penalty of nullity, to the following specifically enumerated objects:

- ITEM NO. 1:** To legislate relative to legislative procedures, powers, duties, and authority pursuant to the Louisiana Health Emergency Powers Act and the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act.
- ITEM NO. 2:** To legislate relative to the power and authority of executive branch officers and agencies pursuant to the Louisiana Health Emergency Powers Act and the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act.
- ITEM NO. 3:** To legislate relative to the powers and duties of officers, agencies, and governing authorities of local political subdivisions pursuant to the Louisiana Health Emergency Powers Act and the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act.
- ITEM NO. 4:** To legislate relative to the formula to determine the cost of a Minimum Foundation Program of education in all public elementary and secondary schools.

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| ITEM NO. 5: | To legislate relative to voting and the holding of elections impaired as the result of a declared emergency or disaster. | ITEM NO. 20: | To legislate relative to Act 10 of the 2020 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature. |
| ITEM NO. 6: | To legislate relative to establishing a special statewide election date for the purpose of submitting proposed constitutional amendments to the electors of the state. | ITEM NO. 21: | To legislate relative to Act 12 of the 2020 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature. |
| ITEM NO. 7: | To legislate relative to the use of the Budget Stabilization Fund. | ITEM NO. 22: | To legislate relative to legislative oversight of the awarding of state contracts during a declared emergency or disaster. |
| ITEM NO. 8: | To legislate relative to the Unemployment Trust Fund. | ITEM NO. 23: | To legislate relative to establishing reporting requirements for businesses using service providers. |
| ITEM NO. 9: | To authorize the state to incur debt or issue bonds to provide relief from a natural catastrophe or a declared emergency or disaster; to create funds for the deposit of such proceeds; and to provide for appropriation, use, and distribution of such proceeds. | ITEM NO. 24: | To legislate relative to classification of employees and independent contractors. |
| ITEM NO. 10: | To legislate relative to making appropriations for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. | ITEM NO. 25: | To legislate relative to the continuity of government. |
| ITEM NO. 11: | To legislate relative to making supplemental appropriations and reductions for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. | ITEM NO. 26: | To legislate relative to tax credits, incentives, rebates, exclusions, exemptions, deferrals, and abatements to provide relief during declared states of emergency and disaster. |
| ITEM NO. 12: | To appropriate funds out of the State General Fund to fund the expenses of the 2020 Second Extraordinary Session of the Legislature and to provide other supplemental appropriations. | ITEM NO. 27: | To legislate relative to federal funds received in response to declared states of emergency and disaster. |
| ITEM NO. 13: | To legislate relative to appropriating funds for the expenses of the legislature for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. | ITEM NO. 28: | To legislate relative to public health emergencies. |
| ITEM NO. 14: | To legislate relative to appropriating funds for the expenses of the judiciary for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. | ITEM NO. 29: | To legislate relative to administrative procedure and rulemaking during a declared state of emergency or disaster. |
| ITEM NO. 15: | To legislate relative to the capital outlay budget, and the capital outlay program and procedures. | ITEM NO. 30: | To legislate relative to the certain unemployment taxes, surtaxes, and assessments. |
| ITEM NO. 16: | To legislate relative to the transfer, dedication, deposit, use, and creation of funds in the state treasury. | ITEM NO. 31: | To legislate relative to capital outlay feasibility studies and a schedule of submission. |
| ITEM NO. 17: | To legislate relative to appropriating funds received from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, also known as the CARES Act. | ITEM NO. 32: | To legislate relative to the licensing requirements, fees, and permits for certain businesses. |
| ITEM NO. 18: | To legislate relative to the Main Street Recovery Program, the Frontline Worker and COVID-19 Hazard Pay Rebate Program, and local government Corona Virus Relief funding. | ITEM NO. 33: | To legislate relative to the distribution or allocation of the hotel and motel occupancy tax proceeds for Jefferson Parish. |
| ITEM NO. 19: | To legislate relative to Act 311 of the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature. | ITEM NO. 34: | To legislate relative to severance taxes involving certain agricultural and timber products due to a declared state of emergency or disaster. |
| | | ITEM NO. 35: | To legislate relative to the imposition of certain fees, fines, or other penalties on food service establishments and other establishments serving alcoholic beverages during a declared emergency or disaster. |
| | | ITEM NO. 36: | To legislate relative to extra-curricular activities in public and nonpublic schools during a declared emergency or disaster. |

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| ITEM NO. 37: | To legislate relative to an audiology and speech-language pathology Interstate Compact. | ITEM NO. 52: | To legislate relative to the fee structure and oversight of the in-service training and educational programs for state employees by the Department of State Civil Service. |
| ITEM NO. 38: | To legislate relative to public and nonpublic utility regulation in response to a declared emergency or disaster. | ITEM NO. 53: | To legislate relative to required formalities and procedures in connection with certain actions and meetings under the Louisiana Business Corporation Act. |
| ITEM NO. 39: | To legislate relative to the creation of incentives for certain broadband providers and the creation of the office of broadband. | ITEM NO. 54: | To legislate relative to the sale or transfer of surplus property in Jackson Parish. |
| ITEM NO. 40: | To legislate relative to testing, treatment, and prevention of COVID-19. | ITEM NO. 55: | To legislate with regard to disadvantaged business enterprises and small business outreach programs. |
| ITEM NO. 41: | To legislate relative to the power and authority of the legislature to exercise its powers, duties, and functions by alternative means during periods of declared emergency or disaster. | ITEM NO. 56: | To legislate relative to state sales and use tax exclusions for certain re-leases or rentals of items of tangible personal property. |
| ITEM NO. 42: | To legislate relative to certain statutory requirements governing public and nonpublic schools and postsecondary education. | ITEM NO. 57: | To legislate relative to requirements for certain contracts involving state parks. |
| ITEM NO. 43: | To legislate relative to the modification or waiver of initial and continuing eligibility requirements for awards to students pursuant to the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students due to a period of declared emergency or disaster. | ITEM NO. 58: | To legislate relative to parole eligibility for certain juvenile offenders. |
| ITEM NO. 44: | To legislate relative to the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact. | ITEM NO. 59: | To legislate relative to nursing home visitation policies. |
| ITEM NO. 45: | To legislate relative to an Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. | ITEM NO. 60: | To legislate relative to penalties on businesses for violations of an executive order during a declared emergency or disaster. |
| ITEM NO. 46: | To legislate relative to private information of certain appointed and elected officials. | ITEM NO. 61: | To legislate relative to the suspension of severance taxes on oil and gas wells. |
| ITEM NO. 47: | To legislate relative to authorizing the Plaquemine Port, Harbor and Terminal District to apply for designation as a foreign trade zone. | ITEM NO. 62: | To legislate relative to the classification and retirement benefits of the employees of the New Orleans Regional Transit Authority. |
| ITEM NO. 48: | To legislate relative to exceptions from the Code of Governmental Ethics for certain members of local fire and police civil service boards and certain associations representing such members. | ITEM NO. 63: | To legislate, regarding the Clean Slate Task Force created by the legislature, to authorize the Louisiana State Police to provide certain data to non-profit entities, and to provide for criminal justice data sharing. |
| ITEM NO. 49: | To legislate relative to the issuance of bonds by the Louisiana International Gulf Transfer Terminal Authority. | ITEM NO. 64: | To legislate relative to verification of eligibility requirements for unemployment insurance, and to provide relative to data-sharing. |
| ITEM NO. 50: | To legislate relative to the membership, terms, officers, quorum, reporting practices, and vote requirements of the Louisiana International Gulf Transfer Terminal Authority. | ITEM NO. 65: | To legislative relative to tax incentives for certain businesses. |
| ITEM NO. 51: | To legislate relative to the coastal management program, designees of the secretary, and the prohibition of certain contracts. | ITEM NO. 66: | To legislate with regard to the taxing authority for economic development districts. |
| | | ITEM NO. 67: | To legislate with regard to rural development. |
| | | ITEM NO. 68: | To legislate with regard to housing and rental assistance in response to a declared emergency or disaster. |

ITEM NO. 69: To legislate with regard to small business assistance programs administered by the Louisiana Department of Economic Development.

ITEM NO. 70: To legislate relative to evictions during a declared emergency or disaster.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands officially and caused to be affixed the Seals of the House of Representatives and of the Senate, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 21ST day of September, 2020.

CLAY SCHEXNAYDER
Speaker of the House of Representatives

PATRICK PAGE CORTEZ
President of the Senate

ATTEST BY THE CLERK & THE SECRETARY

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House of Representatives

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Motion

On motion of Rep. Magee, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Governor that the House is convened and prepared to transact business: Reps. Beaulieu, Brown, Harris, Hilferty, and James.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Magee, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Senate that the House is convened and prepared to transact business: Reps. McFarland, Romero, Selders, Thomas, and Thompson.

Reports of Special Committees

The special committee appointed to notify the Governor that the House had convened and was prepared to transact business reported that it had performed that duty.

The special committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House had convened and was prepared to transact business reported that it had performed that duty.

The Speaker thanked and discharged the committees.

Committee from the Senate

A special committee from the Senate notified the House that the Senate has convened and is prepared to transact business.

The Speaker thanked and dismissed the committee.

STATE OF LOUISIANA
HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES
Baton Rouge

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of State Representative, District 54, Parishes of Jefferson and Lafourche, due to the

death of Representative Reggie Paul Bagala on April 9, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:601 provides that such vacancy shall be filled by special election called by the Speaker of the House; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Clay Schexnayder, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana, issue this notice, call, and proclamation for a special primary and special general election to be held throughout the jurisdiction of Representative District 54, parishes of Jefferson and Lafourche, for the purpose of electing a State Representative.

Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate for the office shall file the notice of candidacy, accompanied either by a qualifying fee or a nominating petition, as required or authorized by law, with the appropriate election official in the manner and form and pursuant to the procedures and conditions provided by Subpart B of Part IV of Chapter 5, or any other applicable provision, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, during the period commencing on May 27, 2020, and ending at 4:30 P.M. on May 29, 2020.

The election herein called, noticed, provided for, and proclaimed shall be held and conducted under the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, constituting Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

I hereby fix the date of the primary election for Saturday, July 11, 2020, and the date for the general election for Saturday, August 15, 2020, and at the times and places, and in the manner prescribed by law.

Accordingly, I now authorize, request, direct, and empower the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Parish Boards of Elections Supervisors for the parishes of Jefferson and Lafourche, the clerks of court for the parishes of Jefferson and Lafourche, registrars of voters for the parishes of Jefferson and Lafourche, and all other persons charged with any power, function, right, duty, or responsibility in conducting elections in the jurisdiction of Representative District 54, parishes of Jefferson and Lafourche, to exercise any lawful function, do every act necessary to conduct elections, cause the returns thereof to be made, and in general, to perform all related and incidental functions necessary to canvass and promulgate the results thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Seal of the House of Representatives, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 17th day of April, 2020.

CLAY SCHEXNAYDER
Speaker of the House of Representatives

ATTEST BY THE CLERK

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House of Representatives

STATE OF LOUISIANA
HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES
Baton Rouge

AMENDED PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of State Representative, District 54, parishes of Jefferson and Lafourche, due to the

death of Representative Reggie Paul Bagala on April 9, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statutes 18:601 provides that such vacancy shall be filled by special election called by the Speaker of the House; and

WHEREAS, I, Clay Schexnayder, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana, issued on April 17, 2020, a notice, call, and proclamation for a special primary and special general election to be held on July 11, 2020, and August 15, 2020, respectively, throughout the jurisdiction of Representative District 54, parishes of Jefferson and Lafourche, for the purpose of electing a State Representative; and

WHEREAS, I have been notified by Kyle Ardoin, Secretary of State, that the time period for qualifying for this special election established in the April 17th proclamation creates election administration issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Clay Schexnayder, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana, issue this amended notice, call, and proclamation for the purpose of, and only to the extent of, changing the qualifying period for the special primary election and special general election to commence on May 20, 2020, and end at 4:30 P.M. on May 22, 2020.

All other provisions of the proclamation issued on April 17, 2020, remain in effect and are continued.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Seal of the House of Representatives, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 22nd day of April, 2020.

CLAY SCHEXNAYDER
Speaker of the House of Representatives

ATTEST BY THE CLERK

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House of Representatives

Message from the Secretary of State

The following message from the Secretary of State was received and read:

SECRETARY OF STATE
State of Louisiana

July 21, 2020

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives
State of Louisiana

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to submit to you the name of Joseph Orgeron, who has been duly elected to fill the vacancy occurring in your Honorable Body caused by the passing of the late Honorable Reggie P. Bagala.

Joseph Orgeron has been officially proclaimed duly and legally elected as State Representative from the 54th Representative District of the State of Louisiana.

With Best Wishes,
R. KYLE ARDOIN
Secretary of State

United States of America
STATE OF LOUISIANA
R. KYLE ARDOIN
Secretary of State

As Secretary of State of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby certify that the following candidate was declared elected by the people to the office set opposite his name for an unexpired term:

State Representative Joseph Orgeron, Representative of District 54.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of my office to be affixed at the city of Baton Rouge, on this 21st day of July, 2020.

With Best Wishes,
R. KYLE ARDOIN
Secretary of State

Oath of Office

Mr. Joseph Orgeron presented himself before the bar of the House and took the following oath:

"I, Joseph Orgeron, do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution and laws of the United States and the constitution and laws of this state and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a member of the House of Representatives according to the best of my ability and understanding, so help me God".

STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE – 2020
SECOND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

Pursuant to House Rule 14.20, the Speaker proposes the following uniform schedule of committee meetings, to be adopted by the House of Representatives:

<u>Session Week</u>	<u>Dates on which Morning, Afternoon and Weekly Committees may meet</u>
Week 1	Convene @ 6pm on Mon. 9/28 Morning – Tues. 9/29 Afternoon – Wed. 9/30 Afternoon - Thurs. 10/1
Week 2	Morning – Mon. 10/5 and Tues. 10/6 Afternoon – Wed. 10/7 and Thurs. 10/8 Weekly - Fri. 10/9
Week 3	Morning – Mon. 10/12 Afternoon – Tues. 10/13 and Wed. 10/14 Weekly – Thurs. 10/15
Week 4	Morning – Mon. 10/19 and Tues. 10/20 Afternoon – Wed. 10/21 Weekly - Thurs. 10/22 Morning/Afternoon/Weekly (if necessary) - Fri. 10/23

Committees shall convene on their designated day at a time certain between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Magee, the proposed schedule of committee meetings 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. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to study the costs and benefits of setting Medicaid reimbursement rates for primary care services at levels that are at least equal to Medicare rates for those services, and to report findings from the study to the House Committee on Appropriations and the House Committee on Health and Welfare.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Echols, and under a suspension of the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare, under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DWIGHT AND BOURRIQUE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to take all necessary measures relative to the minimum foundation program formula to ensure that the school systems in Calcasieu and Cameron parishes are not penalized in terms of funding due to closures and student displacement resulting from Hurricane Laura.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Dwight, and under a suspension of the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Education, under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Attorney General and all appropriate federal agencies, including but not limited to the Federal Communications Commission, to investigate whether Altice USA or Suddenlink Communications has violated state or federal law in its dealings with the citizens of Louisiana.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Michael Johnson, and under a suspension of the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOURRIQUE AND DWIGHT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress and the Louisiana Congressional Delegation to take such actions as are necessary to require the Federal Emergency Management Agency to grant Louisiana full federal funding for disaster expenses associated with Hurricane Laura or to grant Louisiana the ability to utilize alternative sources of federal funding as needed matching funds if full federal funding is not provided.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bourriaque, and under a suspension of the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the division of administration, office of community development, to include certain activities as eligible expenses in the development of its Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery Program Action Plans and amendments thereto.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bourriaque, and under a suspension of the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To suspend until sixty days after final adjournment of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana the authority of the secretary of the Department of Revenue to enter into new contracts or to renew existing contracts with a procurement processing company as provided for in R.S. 47:6351(B)(1) pursuant to the Procurement Processing Company Rebate Program.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Magee, and under a suspension of the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To direct the Legislative Budgetary Control Council to review the compensation of legislative assistants and to establish a salary schedule for legislative assistants that is competitive with the marketplace in accordance with R.S. 24:31.5.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Landry, and under a suspension of the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COUSSAN AND SENATOR HENSGENS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress and the Louisiana Congressional delegation to take such actions as are necessary to require the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to more efficiently coordinate the removal of dislocated oilfield equipment after natural disasters in Louisiana.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Coussan, and under a suspension of the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment, under the rules.

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, pursuant to House Rule 7.2(E), referred to committee:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.4(J)(1)(introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S. 15:574.4(J)(4), relative to parole eligibility for juvenile offenders; to modify the applicability of certain parole eligibility provisions to juvenile offenders serving life sentences; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:584(C) and 587(J), relative to criminal justice system data; to provide relative to the duty and authority of the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information to cooperate with certain nonprofit entities; to provide for the authority of certain nonprofit entities to obtain access to certain criminal justice system data and information under certain conditions; to provide relative to the nonprofit entities access to de-identified arrest and conviction information; to provide relative to the execution of a nondisclosure agreement; to provide for a termination date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

HOUSE BILL NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:768(A), relative to public health emergencies; to provide relative to the declaration of a public health emergency; to provide for the continuance of public health emergencies; to create the Council of State; to provide for the duties and membership of the Council of State; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WRIGHT, BACALA, MIGUEZ, AND HODGES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:724(B)(1) and 768(A), relative to emergency declarations; to provide relative to the renewal of emergency declarations; to require legislative approval for renewal of emergency declarations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 5—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:6041, relative to tax credits; to establish a tax credit for certain broadband coverage providers; to provide for the amount of the credit; to limit the total amount of credits authorized to be granted; to provide for requirements and limitations; to provide for definitions; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 6—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:112(E)(1) and (F) and 122(A), relative to capital outlay; to provide certain requirements for nonstate projects; to provide for changes to the amount and allocation of cash line of credit capacity each fiscal year; to provide for certain definitions; to provide relative to line of credit recommendations for projects; to require the approval of certain line of credit recommendations; to provide for applicability; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 7—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:105(A), 112(A), (B), (C)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (2)(b), (D), (E)(2)(introductory paragraph), and (G)(1) and (2), and 115(A) and (B), to enact R.S. 39:112(H), and to repeal R.S. 39:112(E)(2)(b), relative to capital outlay; to provide with respect to the capital outlay process; to provide for certain definitions; to provide for certain requirements for nonstate projects; to provide with respect to the local match requirements for certain projects; to provide for certain notifications; to require certain reports; to require the inclusion of certain information concerning state indebtedness within the Capital Outlay Act; to require certain projects to be included in the Capital Outlay Act or obtain legislative approval; to provide for applicability; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 8—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:633(7)(c)(i)(bb) and (ii)(aa) and to enact R.S. 47:633(7)(c)(i)(cc) and (ii)(ee), relative to severance tax; to provide for severance tax on oil produced from stripper wells or stripper fields; to suspend severance tax on oil produced from stripper wells or stripper fields through an exemption under certain conditions; to require the secretary to make certain determinations; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 9—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 29:776, relative to the applicability of certain limitations of liability during public health emergencies; to provide relative to religious assembly; to provide for the freedom to exercise religious assembly during public emergencies; to provide for immunity from civil liability and criminal prosecution; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To authorize and provide for the transfer of certain state property in Jackson Parish; to provide for the property description; to provide for reservation of mineral rights; to provide terms and conditions; to repeal Section 3 of Act No. 272 of the 2019 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 11—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PRESSLY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:724(B)(2) and 768(B), relative to emergency declarations; to provide relative to the termination of emergency declarations; to provide relative to the effect of terminating emergency declarations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 12—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MARINO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:573.2 and 574.4.1(A)(2) and to enact R.S. 15:573.3 and 574.4.1(E), relative to hearings of the Board of Pardons and committee on parole; to provide relative to the continuity of government by allowing the use of teleconference communication for meetings or hearings of the Board of Pardons and committee on parole; to authorize certain persons to appear before the Board of Pardons and committee on parole by teleconference; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

HOUSE BILL NO. 13—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:170(E), relative to immunizations; to require that any communication issued to students relative to immunization requirements include information relative to exemption from such requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 14—
BY REPRESENTATIVE STEFANSKI
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 27:417(A)(2)(introductory paragraph) and (B)(2) and to enact R.S. 27:417(B)(3) and (D), relative to licensing requirements for qualified truck stop facilities; to provide relative to criteria and amenity requirements for

qualified truck stop facilities during a declared emergency; to provide relative to the suspension of operations of the criteria and amenity requirements; to provide relative to the operation of video draw poker devices; to provide relative to force majeure; 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 Administration of Criminal Justice.

**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 placed upon the calendar for their second reading and, under a suspension of the rules, were referred to committee as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 15—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FRIEMAN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:724(B)(2) and 768(B), relative to emergency declarations; to authorize the legislature to terminate all or part of an emergency declaration; to provide for the procedure by which the petition is signed and transmitted to the governor; to provide for the effectiveness of the petition to terminate; to provide for an effective date; to provide for retroactive application; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 16—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FRIEMAN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:439.1 and 3392, relative to the applicability of certain limitations of liability during public health emergencies; to provide for a limitation of liability for causes of action related to COVID-19 and public health emergencies; to provide relative to the liability of public, nonpublic, and charter schools, systems, and governing boards under certain circumstances; to provide relative to the liability of public and nonpublic postsecondary education systems and institutions; 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 Education.

HOUSE BILL NO. 17—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:768 and to enact R.S. 29:768.1, relative to public health emergencies; to provide relative to the declaration of public health emergencies; to provide relative to the renewal of the declaration of public health emergencies; to provide for a procedure by which to approve new declarations of public health emergencies; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 18—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:1201(C)(1) and (D)(1), relative to teacher sick leave; to provide relative to certain benefits of members of the teaching staff at public schools; to provide relative to benefits received when the member of the teaching staff is injured while acting in his official capacity; to provide that such benefits shall also apply to teachers of schools located within secure care facilities under the jurisdiction of the office of juvenile justice; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 19—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:724(B)(1) and 768(A), and to enact R.S. 29:768.1, relative to emergency declarations; to provide for legislative approval to extend emergency declarations beyond thirty days; to provide the procedure for legislative approval; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 20—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDMONDS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:297.15, relative to individual income tax deductions; to authorize a deduction for certain educational expenses incurred during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020; to provide for the amount of the deduction; to provide for definitions; to provide for limitations and requirements; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 21—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:113(B) and 122(B)(1), relative to the administration of capital outlay projects; to require that certain projects be administered by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority; to provide for certain limitations and requirements; to provide for applicability; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 22—

BY REPRESENTATIVE STAGNI
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:539(C)(8)(j), relative to employees of the Kenner Housing Authority; to provide that employees of the authority shall not be in the state civil service; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 23—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:768(B), relative to public health emergencies; to provide relative to the termination of a declaration of public health emergency; to provide relative to legislative authority to terminate a declaration of public health emergency; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 24—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To appropriate funds from certain sources in specific amounts for the making of supplemental appropriations to the capital outlay budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021; 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 Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 25—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6016.1(B)(4) and (6) through (11) and to enact R.S. 47:6016.1(B)(12), relative to Louisiana New Markets Jobs Act tax incentives; to add businesses impacted by Hurricane Laura to eligible qualified active low-income community businesses; to provide for definitions; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 26—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:302(BB)(113), 305.74, 321(P)(114), 321.1(I)(114), and 331(V)(114), relative to sales and use tax; to establish a sales and use tax holiday for certain purchases; to provide for requirements and limitations; to provide for the effectiveness of the sales and use tax holiday; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 27—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 29:732.1 and 776, relative to fees charged to businesses by state agencies during a state of emergency or public health emergency; to exempt payment of fees for a certain time; to provide for extension of the exemption; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 28—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:633(7)(b), relative to severance tax; to provide for the severance tax rate on oil produced from an incapable well; to provide certain tax rates; to reduce the rate applicable to oil produced from an incapable well from severance tax under certain conditions; to require the secretary to make certain determinations; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 29—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:631, relative to suspending certain severance taxes; to provide for a suspension on oil production from newly drilled wells; to provide for the amount of the suspension in the form of an exemption; to provide for applicability; to provide for definitions; to provide for effectiveness; to provide for certain requirements and limitations; 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. 30—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 55-A of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statute of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:3126; relative to the establishment of the Louisiana Re-shoring Incentive Program; to provide for the payment of tax credits and rebates to certain eligible businesses; to provide for the procedures and requirements for the execution of certain contracts; to provide for certain definitions; to provide for the administration of the program; to prohibit the approval of certain contracts after a certain date; to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 31—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3139.5(B)(1)(a), relative to colleges and universities; to provide relative to the exceptions and exemptions that a public postsecondary education institution may receive from state regulations of their operations under certain conditions; to extend an institution's authority to exercise such operational autonomies under such conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 32—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ZERINGUE AND MAGEE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 29:732.1 and 776, relative to the operation of restaurants and bars during a state of emergency or public health emergency; to require that restaurants and bars be subject to the same restrictions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 33—
BY REPRESENTATIVE EDMONDS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:762(introductory paragraph) and (7) through (18), 770(B), and 771(B)(2)(c) and to enact R.S. 29:762(17) and (18) and 770(C), relative to a state of public health emergency; to require hospitals, nursing homes and adult residential care homes to provide patient or resident access to members of the clergy during a state of public health emergency for COVID-19 or other contagious or infectious diseases; to permit patient or resident access to religious sacraments and services; to provide requirements for members of the clergy who voluntarily enter inpatient healthcare facilities to minister; to provide for definitions; to provide for mental health support; to provide for legislative purpose; to provide for the protection of employment and contracting rights for clergy who refuse to enter the inpatient healthcare facilities at certain times; to provide for immunity from liability for hospitals, nursing homes, and adult residential care homes; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 34—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1711(G)(1), relative to unemployment compensation; to provide for the classification of employees; to increase the administrative penalties for the misclassification of employees; to provide relative to the failure to pay contributions; to increase penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 35—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ECHOLS AND BAGLEY
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 48:2206, relative to transportation network companies; to provide legislative findings; to provide relative to requirements for certain businesses to furnish transportation services in association with health insurance plans; to authorize transportation network companies to provide nonemergency medical transportation through the state Medicaid program, Medicare plans, and other forms of publicly and privately issued health insurance; to establish company and driver requirements; to provide for the promulgation of rules by the Louisiana Department of Health; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 36—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:149(B) and to enact R.S. 11:416.2, 710.2, 1141.1, and 1311.1, relative to retirees of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System, the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana, the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, and the State Police Pension and Retirement System; to provide relative to the reemployment of such retirees during declared emergencies; to authorize such reemployment without suspension or reduction of retirement benefits; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Retirement.

HOUSE BILL NO. 37—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:6041, relative to income tax credits; to authorize an income tax credit for certain businesses; to provide for the amount of the credit; to provide for requirements and limitations; to authorize the carryforward of unused amounts of the credit; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 38—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS
AN ACT

To enact Part VIII of Chapter 1 of Subtitle I of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 39:291 through 293, relative to funding for parish, municipal, and postsecondary education agency police departments; to provide for budget submission requirements; to provide for the authority of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 39—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To appropriate funds and to make certain reductions from certain sources to be allocated to designated agencies and purposes in specific amounts for the making of supplemental appropriations and reductions for the agencies and purposes for Fiscal Year 2020-2021; 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 Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 40—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GAROFALO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:5103(B)(1)(a) and to enact R.S. 17:5104, relative to the Taylor Opportunity Program for

Students; to provide relative to eligibility for awards; to waive or modify certain eligibility provisions for certain students in response to circumstances related to certain natural disasters and certain public health emergencies; to authorize the administering agency to waive eligibility requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 41—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LARVADAIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9038.31(3), relative to tax increment financing; to provide relative to the use of tax increment financing by local governmental subdivisions in Rapides Parish; to remove certain restrictions placed on the use of such financing in the city of Alexandria; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 42—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:4035.1, relative to public school choice; to provide relative to school funding; to provide relative to the applicability of school and district accountability; to provide for an appeals process for public school choice enrollment denials; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 43—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2010.8(A)(2)(b)(vii) and (viii), (d), and (B), relative to rights of nursing home residents; to provide relative to the right of such residents to have access to visitors; to provide relative to restrictions that nursing homes may impose for the protection of residents; to provide for construction of laws; to prohibit any limitation of the right of nursing home residents to have access to visitors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Zeringue, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Appropriations to meet on Tuesday, September 29, 2020, without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A) 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. 24, 27 and 39

House Concurrent Resolution Nos. 3, 4 and 6

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, September 29, 2020, without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A) 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. 5, 6, 7, 8 and 29

Leave of Absence

Rep. Marino - 2 days

Rep. Muscarello - 2 days

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 6:51 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, September 29, 2020, at 2:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, September 29, 2020.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House