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### NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

Fifty-third Extraordinary Session of the Legislature Under the Adoption of the Constitution of 1974

> House of Representatives State Capitol Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, November 18, 2024

The House of Representatives was called to order at 1:56 P.M., by the Honorable Phillip DeVillier, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### **Morning Hour**

#### ROLL CALL

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

#### **PRESENT**

Adams	Egan	Melerine
Amedee	Emerson	Miller
Bacala	Farnum	Muscarello
Bagley	Firment	Myers
Bamburg	Fontenot	Newell
Beaullieu	Freiberg	Orgeron
Berault	Gadberry	Owen
Billings	Galle	Phelps
Bourriaque	Geymann	Riser
Boyd	Glorioso	Schamerhorn
Boyer	Hebert	Schlegel
Brass	Henry	Selders
Braud	Horton	St. Blanc
Brown	Hughes	Stagni
Bryant	Illg	Tarver
Butler	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Carlson	Johnson, T.	Thomas
Carpenter	Jordan	Thompson
Carrier	Kerner	Turner
Carver	Knox	Ventrella
Chassion	LaCombe	Villio
Chenevert	LaFleur	Walters
Coates	Landry, J.	Wilder
Cox	Landry, M.	Wiley
Crews	Larvadain	Willard
Deshotel	Lyons	Wright
Dewitt	Mack	Wyble
Dickerson	Marcelle	Young
Domangue	McFarland	Zeringue
Echols	McMahen	-
Edmonston	McMakin	

Total - 91

The Speaker announced that there were 91 members present and

## **Prayer**

Prayer was offered by Rep. Farnum.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Myers 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. Bacala, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Bacala, the Journal of November 14, 2024, was adopted.

# 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:

#### Motion

On motion of Rep. Wilder, the Committee on Ways and Means was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 22.

#### **HOUSE BILL NO. 22-**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILDER

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 27:602(13) and 625(B) and to repeal R.S. 27:627, relative to taxation of sports wagering; to provide for definitions; to provide for certain rates of taxation; to repeal certain provisions relative to promotional play; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

#### Motion

On motion of Rep. Wilder, the bill was withdrawn from the files of the House.

#### **Suspension of the Rules**

Rep. Riser, moved to suspend the rules to call from the calendar House Bill No. 9 at this time, which motion was agreed to.

# 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. 9-

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(14)(introductory paragraph), to enact R.S. 47:301(4)(f)(iv), 301.3, and 1603(D), and to repeal R.S. 47:301(14)(a) through (k) and (29)(x)(viii), relative to sales and use tax; to provide for definitions; to provide for sales and use tax on certain services; to provide for certain exemptions from sales and use tax; to provide for effectiveness; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

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Read by title.

#### Motion

On motion of Rep. Riser, the bill was returned to the calendar.

#### **Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Riser gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 9 from the calendar on Tuesday, November 19, 2024.

## **Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. McMakin, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Senate Bills on Second Reading referred to Committee at this time.

# Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading to be Referred

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

#### Motion

Rep. McMakin moved that the Committee on Judiciary be discharged from further consideration of Senate Bill No. 1.

Rep. Willard objected.

## **Point of Order**

Rep. Hughes asked for a ruling from the Chair as to whether or not the motion was debatable.

#### Ruling of the Chair

The Chair ruled the motion was debatable.

#### **Point of Order**

Rep. Willard asked for a ruling from the Chair as to what would be the vote requirement for this motion to pass.

#### Ruling of the Chair

The Chair ruled it would take a majority of the elected members for the motion to pass.

By a vote of 63 yeas and 25 nays, the House agreed to discharge the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of the bill.

## SENATE BILL NO. 1-

BY SENATOR MORRIS AND REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article V, Sections 5(B), 15(A), and 16(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to jurisdiction of courts; to provide for disciplinary proceedings over attorneys from other jurisdictions concerning legal services in the state and over related unethical practices; to authorize creation of courts of limited or specialized jurisdiction; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. McMakin, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

# Speaker Pro Tempore Mike Johnson in the Chair **Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Myers, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Petitions, Memorials, and Communications at this time.

### Petitions, Memorials, and **Communications**

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

# **Message from the Senate**

#### SENATE BILLS

November 18, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has finally passed the following Senate Bills:

Senate Bill Nos. 7 and 9

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON Secretary of the Senate

# **Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions** on First Reading

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on first reading were taken up, read, and, under a suspension of the rules, referred to committees, as follows:

# **SENATE BILL NO. 7-**

BY SENATOR LUNEAU

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:4163, relative to legislative continuance or extension for legislators and legislative employees; to provide for motions involving legislative continuance or extension; to provide a presumption that a motion is proper; to provide for oppositions to a motion for continuance or extension; to provide for proof of opposition to a motion by clear and convincing proof; to provide for denial of a motion for continuance or extension; 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 BILL NO. 9-**

BY SENATOR MILLER

#### AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:4163, relative to legislative continuances and extensions for legislators and legislative employees; to provide with respect to continuance and extension of deadlines; to authorize members of the legislature and legislative employees to file legislative continuances in certain

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circumstances; to provide for peremptory grounds; to provide with respect to time delays and procedures; to provide for a rebuttable presumption; to provide for service of process; to provide for notification and reporting requirements; to provide for electronic transmission; to provide for exceptions; to provide for denial of a motion for continuance or extension; to provide for the supreme court's authority to regulate disciplinary proceedings against a member of the legislature or legislative employee; 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.

# **Reports of Committees**

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice

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To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to submit the following report:

Senate Bill No. 2, by Cloud (Joint Resolution) Reported favorably. (7-3)

> DEBBIE VILLIO Chairman

#### **Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Villio, the rules were suspended in order to take up Senate Bills contained in the committee report at this time.

## **Senate Bills on Second Reading Reported by Committee**

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading reported by committee were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE BILL NO. 2— BY SENATORS CLOUD AND MORRIS AND REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article V, Section 19 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to special juvenile proceedings; to provide relative to crimes committed by juveniles; to allow adult prosecution for crimes specified by the legislature; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

Under the rules, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

# **Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Edmonston, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Reports of Committees at this time.

#### **Reports of Committees**

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on Judiciary

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To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

Senate Bill No. 5, by Morris, Jay (Joint Resolution) Reported favorably. (7-6)

> KATHY EDMONSTON Vice-Chairman

# Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Edmonston, the rules were suspended in order to take up Senate Bills contained in the committee report at this

# **Senate Bills on Second Reading Reported by Committee**

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading reported by committee were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE BILL NO. 5—
BY SENATOR MORRIS AND REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to amend Article V, Section 22(B) of the Constitution of

Louisiana, relative to judicial elections; to provide for election dates for newly-created judgeships or vacancies in office of judge; to provide for exceptions involving courts of limited or specialized jurisdictions upon request from the supreme court concerning persons appointed to fill these positions; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary.

Under the rules, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

#### Leave of Absence

Rep. Freeman - 5 days

Rep. Moore - 5 days

Rep. Romero - 1 day

# Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 2:58 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 1:00 P.M.

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The Speaker Pro Tempore of the House declared the House adjourned until 1:00 P.M., Tuesday, November 19, 2024.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT Clerk of the House

ANGELA S. SMITH Assistant Clerk of the House / Journal Clerk

### **Committee Meeting Notices**

The following committees posted notices as follows:

Committee on Civil Law and Procedure

Will meet at: 10:00 a.m.
Date: November 19, 2024

Location: Committee Room 4

#### Remarks:

SB 1 MORRIS, JAY COURTS Constitutional amendment to provide for jurisdiction of courts (Item #20)

SB 2 CLOUD JUVENILE JUSTICE Constitutional amendment to provide relative to offenses to which special juvenile procedures are not applicable (Item #19)

SB 5 MORRIS, JAY COURTS Constitutional amendment to provide for elections to fill newly-created judgeships and judicial vacancies and for exceptions as to courts of limited or specialized jurisdictions (Item #20)

SB 7 LUNEAU LEGISLATORS Provides for legislative continuances and extensions of time for legislators and legislative employees (gov sig)

SB 9 MILLER, G. CIVIL PROCEDURE Provides for legislative continuances and extensions of time for legislators and legislative employees (gov sig)

Pursuant to House Rule 14.33, 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.

NOTE: Statements may be filed with the House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure via e-mail at h-clp@legis.la.gov.

Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the Civil Law and Procedure via email at jerezanoa@legis.la.gov at least twenty-four hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.

NICHOLAS MUSCARELLO, JR. Chair

Committee on Ways and Means

Will meet at: 10:30 a.m.

Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Location: Committee Room 6

Remarks:

HB 19 GLORIOSO TAX/INCOME TAX Requires taxpayers to file a declaration of estimated tax for certain debts (Items #5 and 11)

 To review and approve the third party convenience fee schedules for certain online transactions pursuant to R.S. 49:316.1 for the Department of Revenue

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NOTE: Statements may be filed with the House Committee on Ways and Means via e-mail at hwmc@legis.la.gov.

Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the Ways and Means Committee via email at hwmc@legis.la.gov at least twenty-four hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.

JULIE EMERSON Chair