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State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

The House of Representatives was called to order at 12:48 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

Mr. Speaker	Egan	McMahan
Adams	Emerson	McMakin
Amedee	Farnum	Melerine
Bacala	Firment	Mena
Bagley	Fisher	Miller
Bamburg	Fontenot	Muscarello
Bayham	Freiberg	Myers
Beaullieu	Gadberry	Newell
Berault	Galle	Orgeron
Billings	Geymann	Owen
Bourriaque	Glorioso	Phelps
Boyd	Green	Riser
Boyer	Hebert	Romero
Brass	Henry	Schamerhorn
Braud	Hilferty	Schlegel
Brown	Horton	Selders
Bryant	Hughes	St. Blanc
Butler	Illg	Stagni
Carlson	Jackson	Tarver
Carrier	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Carver	Jordan	Thomas
Chassion	Kerner	Thompson
Chenevert	Knox	Turner
Coates	LaCombe	Ventrella
Cox	LaFleur	Villio
Crews	Landry, J.	Walters
Davis	Landry, M.	Wilder
Deshotel	Larvadain	Wiley
Dewitt	Lyons	Willard
Dickerson	Mack	Wright
Domangue	Marcelle	Wyble
Echols	McCormick	Young
Edmonston	McFarland	Zeringue
Total - 99		

The Speaker announced that there were 99 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rep. Tarver.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Wilder 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 11, 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:

HOUSE BILL NO. 23—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN AND SENATOR HENSGENS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:81(B), 83(F)(2) and (6), 83.1(B)(3) through (5), 86(A)(2), (E)(introductory paragraph), (1), and (6), and (H), and 87(A), (B), and (F)(1), relative to oilfield site restoration; to provide for the use and administration of the Oilfield Site Restoration Fund; to provide for the authority of the Oilfield Site Restoration Commission; to authorize the Natural Resources Trust Authority to direct activity of the commission with the oversight of the State Mineral and Energy Board; to provide for the administration of federal funds for oilfield site restoration and plugging of orphan wells; to provide for the authority to execute financial agreements and instruments on behalf of the commission; to provide for the calculation of oilfield site restoration fees; to increase oilfield site restoration fees; 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. 24—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN AND SENATOR HENSGENS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:124(B), 125, 126(A), 127(A)(introductory paragraph), (B)(introductory paragraph), (C), and (H), 128(A), 129(B)(3), 148.3, and 209(4)(b) and to enact R.S. 30:124(G) and 148.10, relative to leasing of state property for energy-related purposes; to provide for the authority of the State Mineral and Energy Board; to classify lease payments for purposes of federal estate law; to increase fees and deposits collected by the State Mineral and Energy Board and the office of mineral resources; to provide relative to applications for the lease of state property; to provide for the transfer or assignment of leases; to limit the prohibition on offering more than five thousand acres of state property for lease; to provide for minimum royalty, continuing security, and Pugh clauses in mineral leases on state property; to provide for applicability of laws regarding the lease of state property for storage and transportation facilities; to provide for the distribution of revenue collected by the office of mineral resources under operating agreements; 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. 25—
BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:87(A), R.S. 39:100.116, and R.S. 47:631, 633, 633.2, 633.4(E), 645(A) and (B), and 1624(A)(1)(b), to enact R.S. 47:633.1 and 633.1.1, and to repeal R.S. 47:324 and 633.5, Part I-E of Chapter 6 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:648.21, and R.S. 47:1624(A)(2), relative to severance tax; to provide for rates of severance tax on oil and gas; to provide for computation of severance tax amounts to be imposed on oil and gas; to provide for exemptions from severance tax; to provide for dedication of certain severance tax revenues; to provide for severance tax administration; to provide for duties of the Department of Revenue and the Department of Energy and Natural Resources with respect to severance tax; to make technical changes in laws relating to severance tax; to provide for effectiveness; to provide for applicability; 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 Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Second Reading Reported by Committee**

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 2—
BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:287.12, 287.750(I), 4302(B), 6007(I), 6015(J), 6019(A)(1)(a)(i), 6020(H), 6022(D)(4)(introductory paragraph), and 6023(I) and R.S. 51:1787(L) and 2461, to enact R.S. 47:287.73(C)(6), 287.744, 3204(M), and 6022(M) and R.S. 51:2399.3(C), and to repeal R.S. 17:3389, Part II of Chapter 26 of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 25:1226 through 1226.6, R.S. 47:12, 34, 37, 287.73(C)(4), 287.95(H), 287.748, 287.749, 287.752, 287.755, 287.758, 287.759, 301(10)(a)(vi), Chapter 5 of Subtitle V of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:4331, R.S. 47:6005(G), 6006, 6008(D), 6011, 6012(F), 6013(D), 6014(F), 6015(L), 6016, 6016.1(N), 6017(C), 6018, 6021, 6022(L), 6025 through 6027, 6030, 6032(H), 6035 through 6037, 6041, 6104(D), 6105(B), 6106(E), and 6107(C), Chapter 22 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:1801 through 1813, R.S. 51:1932, Part VI of Chapter 39 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:2351 through 2360, Chapter 52 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:3081 through 3094, Chapter 54 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:3111 through 3115, and Chapter 55 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:3121, relative to corporate taxation; to provide for a flat tax rate for purposes of calculating corporation income tax liability; to provide for the reduction of the rate; to establish a bonus depreciation deduction; to provide for definitions and certain limitations with respect to the bonus depreciation; to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide for the termination of certain credits claimed against corporation income tax liability; to repeal certain tax exemptions, deductions, and credits; to repeal provisions relative to determination of location of movables for purposes of determining apportioned income for certain businesses; to repeal a sales tax exclusion for certain purchases by motion picture production companies; to repeal the corporate tax apportionment program; to repeal expired requirements for

certain legislative committees to review certain tax credits; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Rep. McFarland, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 8—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:301(3)(a), (b), and (i)(i)(introductory paragraph) and (ii)(aa)(I)(aaa), (4)(introductory paragraph), (a) through (e), (h), and (i), (5), (7)(a), (g), and (i), (8)(b), (9), (10)(a)(i) through (iv), (c)(ii)(bb), (j), (l), (q)(i), (r), (s), (u), (ff), and (hh), (12), (13)(a), (14)(h) through (k), (15), (18)(a), (d)(i), (e), and (f), (19), and (29)(x)(introductory paragraph) and (ix), 302(A), (B), (D), (K)(1) and (2), (U), (V)(1)(introductory paragraph), (a), and (b)(introductory paragraph), (BB)(9), (13), (17), (23), (25), (27), (30), (33), (56), (66), (81), (109), and (113), and (CC), 303(A)(2) and (3)(a) and (G), 303.1(A) and (B)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (c) and (2)(b), 304(B), 305(E), 305.10(A) and (C) through (E), 305.14(A)(1)(a) and (5), 305.38, 305.53(A), 305.54(B) and (C)(1), 306.5(A)(1) and (2)(c), 307(A) through (C), 309(A)(1), 309.1(B)(1) and (2)(b) and (D), 310(A), 312, 314, 315(A) and (B)(1), 315.3(A), 315.5(A), (B)(3), and (C)(1)(c), 321(A), (B), (P)(9), (13), (17), (23), (25), (27), (30), (33), (56), (66), (81), (109), and (114), and (Q), 321.1(A), (B), (I)(9), (13), (17), (23), (25), (27), (30), (33), (56), (66), (81), (109), and (114), and (J), 331(A), (B), (V)(9), (13), (17), (23), (25), (27), (30), (33), (56), (66), (81), (109), and (114), and (W), 337.3(A), and 340.1(A)(3) and (5) and R.S. 51:1286(B), to enact R.S. 47:301(10)(c)(ii)(cc) and (jj), (14)(l) and (m), (32), (33), and (34), 301.3, 301.4, and 305.5, and to repeal R.S. 47:301(16)(h) and (p) and (23), relative to sales and use taxes; to provide for the levy of sales and use taxes on certain digital products and services; to provide for the rates of such taxes; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to exclusions and exemptions from sales and use taxes; to provide relative to administration of sales and use taxes; to provide relative to tax collection and enforcement; to provide for liability for collection and payment of certain sales and use taxes; to provide for record keeping and reporting; to provide for sourcing; to provide for certain limitations and requirements; to provide for effectiveness; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Ways and Means.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to Original House Bill No. 8 by Representative Brass

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the beginning of line 6, after "and" and before "302(A)," delete "(29)(x)(ix)," and insert "(29)(x)(introductory paragraph) and (ix),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, at the end of line 12, change "(29)(x)(ix)," to "(29)(x)(introductory paragraph) and (ix),"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 8, line 3, after "transactions" and before "the secretary," insert "that"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 8, at the end of line 14, insert "that"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 8, at the end of line 27, insert "those"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 9, line 5, after "transactions" and before "the secretary," insert "that"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 10, at the end of line 3, insert "those"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 10, line 10, after "transactions" and before "the secretary," insert "that"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 11, line 28, after "from" and before "sales," insert "those"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 19, line 15, after "benefits of" and before "digital product," delete "the" and insert "a"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 19, line 16, after "access service," and before "information" delete "and" and insert "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 22, delete lines 24 and 25 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(vi) "Digital periodical and discussion forum" means a digital newspaper, digital magazine, other digital periodical, chat room discussion, weblog, or any other similar product."

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 25, line 3, after "Bundled" and before "(1)" delete "Transactions," and insert "transactions."

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 25, line 27, after "provisions" and before "affect" delete "do not" and insert "shall not"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 27, line 1, after "including" and before "if no other" insert a comma ","

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 34, line 28, after "products," and before "taxable" delete "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 35, line 1, after "services" and before "for" insert a comma "," and insert "or any combination of these"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 35, line 17, after "have" and before "average" delete "an" and insert "that"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 43, line 14, after "leased" and before "or rented" insert a comma ","

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 46, line 3, after "from" and before "business" delete "the further pursuit of said" and insert "the further pursuit of said the"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 46, at the beginning of line 4, delete "the time as"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 46, line 6, after "For" and before "of the" delete "the purpose" and insert "purposes"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 47, line 13, after "paid on" and before the period "." delete "such property" and insert "those items of property or products"

On motion of Rep. Emerson, the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Rep. Emerson, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 12—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3801(A) and (C) and 3802(A)(1), R.S. 30:86(A)(1) and 2483(B) through (E), R.S. 39:94(A)(introductory paragraph) and (1) through (4), (B), and (C)(5), 98.1, 98.2(A) and (E), 98.3(A) and (C)(introductory paragraph), 98.4(A), 100.112, 110.116(A)(introductory paragraph), (1) through (3), (10), (12), and (B), and 100.161(B)(3), R.S. 49:214.5.4(B) and (E)(1), and R.S. 56:639.8(C) and (E)(1), to enact R.S. 30:86(I) through (K) and 2483(F) and (G) and R.S. 56:639.8(H), and to repeal R.S. 17:3801(B), (C)(4), and (F), R.S. 30:86(C), and R.S. 39:97, 98.3(E), and 100.116(A)(4), (9), (11), and (13), (C), and (D), relative to finances of the state; to provide for certain treasury funds; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use, as specified, of monies in certain treasury funds and accounts; to provide for the investment of certain treasury funds and accounts; to repeal certain treasury funds and accounts; to provide for the issuance of bonds; to provide for the powers of the state bond commission; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Appropriations.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to Original House Bill No. 12 by Representative Deshotel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "amend and reenact" and before "R.S. 30:86(A)(1)" insert "R.S. 17:3801(A) and (C) and 3802(A)(1),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 4 and 5 in their entirety and insert "and (E), 98.3(A) and (C)(introductory paragraph), 98.4(A), 100.112, 110.116(A)(introductory paragraph), (1) through (3), (10), (12), and (B), and 100.161(B)(3), R.S. 49:214.5.4(B) and (E)(1), and R.S. 56:"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, at the end of line 6, delete "R.S." and at the beginning of line 7, delete "39.1401(D) and (E), and R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(d) and (E) and" and insert "and R.S. 56:"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete line 8 in its entirety and insert the following: "R.S. 17:3801(B), (C)(4), and (F), R.S. 30:86(C), and R.S. 39:97, 98.3(E), and 100.116(A)(4), (9), (11), and (13), (C), and (D), relative to"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 17:3801(A) and (C) and 3802(A)(1) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§3801. Louisiana Education Quality Trust Fund, hereinafter referred to in this Part as the "Kevin P. Reilly, Sr. Louisiana Education Quality Trust Fund"

A.(1) There shall be established in the state treasury as a special permanent trust fund, the "Kevin P. Reilly, Sr. Louisiana Education Quality Trust Fund", henceforth referred to as the "Permanent Trust Fund". After allocation of money to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund as provided in Article VII, Section 9(B) of the constitution, and notwithstanding Article XIV, Section 10 of the constitution, the treasurer shall deposit in and credit to the Permanent Trust Fund all money which is received from the federal government under Section 1337(g) of Title 43 of the United States Code which is attributable to mineral production activity or leasing activity on the Outer Continental Shelf which has been held in escrow pending a settlement between the United States and the state of Louisiana, except the first one hundred million dollars so received, twenty-five percent of the recurring revenues received under Section 1337(g) of Title 43 of the United States Code which are attributable to mineral production activity or leasing activity on the Outer Continental Shelf, twenty-five percent of the interest income earned on investment of monies in the Permanent Trust Fund, and seventy-five percent of realized capital gains and twenty-five percent of dividend income earned on investment of the Permanent Trust Fund. No appropriation shall be made from the Permanent Trust Fund.

(2) After six hundred million dollars has been credited to the Permanent Trust Fund from those monies received from the federal government under Section 1337(g) of Title 43 of the United States Code which are attributable to mineral production activity or leasing activity on the Outer Continental Shelf which has been held in escrow pending a settlement between the United States and the state of Louisiana, the sum of fifty million dollars shall be credited from such monies to the Coastal Environment Protection Trust Fund, as established in R.S. 30:313; all such funds in excess of seven hundred fifty million dollars shall be credited to the Permanent Trust Fund.

(3) After allocation of money to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund as provided in Article VII, Section 9(B) of the constitution, and notwithstanding Article XIV, Section 10 of the constitution, seventy-five percent of the recurring revenues received under Section 1337(g) of Title 43 of the United States Code which are attributable to mineral production activity or leasing activity, seventy-five percent of the interest income earned on investment of the Permanent Trust Fund, and twenty-five percent of realized capital gains and seventy-five percent of the dividend income earned on

investment of the Permanent Trust Fund shall be deposited and credited to a ~~There is hereby created a special fund which is hereby created~~ in the state treasury, and which shall be known as the Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund, hereinafter hereafter referred to in this Section as the "Support Fund". ~~Beginning July 1, 2001, and only as to and in the accounting of earnings after that date, the treasurer shall account for earnings from the Permanent Fund in a manner which allocates the earnings between the Permanent Fund and the Support Fund in the proportions as herein provided as such earnings are realized. Beginning July 1, 2001, and only as to and in the accounting of earnings after that date, the treasurer shall account for earnings attributable to Support Fund balances due the boards of education separately and allocate such earnings to the credit of each board respectively.~~

(4) All recurring revenues and interest earnings shall be credited to the respective funds as provided in Paragraphs (1) and (2) above until the balance in the Permanent Trust Fund equals two billion dollars. After the Permanent Trust Fund reaches a balance of two billion dollars, all interest earnings on the Permanent Trust Fund shall be credited to the Support Fund and all recurring revenues shall be credited to the State General Fund.

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C.(1) The amounts in the Support Fund shall be available for appropriation to pay expenses incurred for outside investment managers for the investment and management of the Permanent Trust Fund and for other custody, investment, and disbursement costs directly attributable to the Permanent Trust Fund, and for educational purposes only as provided in these Sections.

(2) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Board of Regents each shall annually submit to the legislature and the governor not less than sixty days prior to the beginning of each regular session of the legislature a proposed program and budget for the expenditure of the monies in the Support Fund. Proposals for such expenditures shall be designed to improve the quality of education. Except for monies appropriated to pay expenses incurred in investment and management of the Permanent Trust Fund, monies appropriated from the Support Fund by the legislature shall be disbursed to the Board of Regents and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to be allocated by them as provided by law or the constitution to the programs as previously approved by the legislature.

(3) The treasurer shall disburse not more than fifty percent of the monies in the Support Fund as that money is appropriated by the legislature and allocated by the Board of Regents for any or all of the following higher educational purposes to enhance economic development:

- (a) The carefully defined research efforts of public and private universities in Louisiana.
- (b) The endowment of chairs for eminent scholars.
- (c) The enhancement of the quality of academic, research, or agricultural departments or units within a community college, college, or university. These funds shall not be used for athletic purposes or programs.
- (d) The recruitment of superior graduate students.

(4)(3) The treasurer shall disburse not more than fifty percent of the monies in the Support Fund as that money is appropriated by the legislature and allocated by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education for any or all of the following elementary and secondary educational purposes:

- (a) To provide compensation to city or parish school board professional instructional employees.

(b) To insure an adequate supply of superior textbooks, library books, equipment, and other instructional materials.

(c) To fund exemplary programs in elementary, secondary, or vocational-technical schools designed to improve elementary and secondary student academic achievement, or vocational-technical skill.

(d) To fund carefully defined research efforts, including pilot programs, designed to improve elementary and secondary student academic achievement.

(e) To fund summer school remediation programs and preschool programs.

(f) To fund the teaching of foreign languages in elementary and secondary schools.

(g) To fund an adequate supply of teachers by providing scholarships or stipends to prospective teachers in academic areas where there is a critical teacher shortage.

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§3802. Appropriations; procedure; limitation; administration

A.(1) ~~Consistent with the provisions of the Constitution of Louisiana, the~~ The legislature shall appropriate the total amount of the funds in the Louisiana Quality Education Support Fund, hereinafter referred to as the "support fund", intended for higher educational purposes to the Board of Regents and the total amount intended for elementary and secondary educational purposes to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education itemized by program or other recipient purpose. Such itemization shall occur in both the executive budget and in the general appropriation bill and, except as otherwise provided by the constitution, budget and appropriation functions shall be conducted as provided by law. Passage of the general appropriation bill shall constitute legislative approval of the programs or purposes to which money is appropriated.

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AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, at the beginning of line 16, delete "Section 1." and insert "Section 2."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 4, at the beginning of line 14, delete "Section 2." and insert "Section 3."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 4, line 15, after "98.3(A)," and before "98.4(A)," delete "(C) and (D)," and insert "(C)(introductory paragraph),"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 4, line 16, after "reenacted" and before "to read" delete "and R.S. 39:1401(D) and (E) are hereby enacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 13, delete lines 6 and 7 in their entirety and insert "§98.3. Appropriations from funds within the Millennium Trust"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 15, delete lines 6 through 29 in their entirety and delete pages 16 and 17 in their entirety and on page 18 delete lines 1 through 11 in their entirety and insert the following:

"C. The Education Excellence Fund shall be established in the state treasury as a special fund within the Millennium Trust. Appropriations from the Education Excellence Fund shall be restricted as follows:

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AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 18, between lines 27 and 28, insert the following:

"§100.116. Dedication of mineral revenues

A. All mineral revenues as defined in Subsection ~~Ð B~~ of this Section received in each fiscal year by the state as a result of the production of or exploration for minerals, hereinafter referred to as mineral revenues, shall be allocated as provided in this Section after the following allocations and deposits of mineral revenues have been made:

(1) To the Bond Security and Redemption Fund as provided by Article VII, Section ~~9(B)~~ 13(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

(2) To the political subdivisions of the state as provided in Article VII, ~~Sections 4(D) and (E)~~ Sections 8(B) and (C) of the Constitution of Louisiana and R.S. 47:645.

(3) To the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund as provided by the requirements of Article VII, Section ~~10-A~~ 23 of the Constitution of Louisiana and R.S. 47:324, R.S. 56:799, and 799.3.

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(10) To the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund as provided in Article VII, Section ~~10-2~~ 17 of the Constitution of Louisiana and R.S. 49:214.5.4.

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(12) To the Budget Stabilization Fund as provided in Article VII, Section ~~10-3~~ 15 of the Constitution of Louisiana and R.S. 39:94.

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B. ~~After the allocations and deposits provided in Subsection A of this Section, the mineral revenues received in each year in excess of six hundred sixty million dollars and less than nine hundred fifty million dollars shall be allocated as follows:~~

(1) ~~Thirty percent shall be appropriated to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana for application to the balance of the unfunded accrued liability of such systems existing as of June 30, 1988, in proportion to the balance of such unfunded accrued liability of each such system, until such unfunded accrued liability has been eliminated. Any such payments to the public retirement systems shall not be used, directly or indirectly, to fund cost-of-living increases for such systems.~~

(2) ~~The remainder shall be deposited into the Revenue Stabilization Trust Fund:~~

~~C. Mineral revenues in excess of the base which would otherwise be deposited into the Budget Stabilization Fund under R.S. 39:94(A)(2), but are prohibited from being deposited into the fund under R.S. 39:94(C)(5), shall be distributed as follows:~~

(1) ~~Thirty percent shall be appropriated to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana for application to the balance of the unfunded accrued liability of such systems existing as of June 30, 1988, in proportion~~

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~~to the balance of such unfunded accrued liability of each such system, until such unfunded accrued liability has been eliminated. Any such payments to the public retirement systems shall not be used, directly or indirectly, to fund cost-of-living increases for such systems.~~

~~(2) The remainder shall be deposited into the Revenue Stabilization Trust Fund.~~

~~§.~~ For purposes of this Section, "mineral revenues" shall include severance taxes, royalty payments, bonus payments, or rentals, with the following exceptions:

(1) Revenues designated as nonrecurring, pursuant to Article VII, Section 10(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

(2) Revenues received by the state as a result of grants or donations when the terms or conditions thereof require otherwise.

(3) Revenues derived from any tax on the transportation of minerals.

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AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 22, delete lines 22 through 29 in their entirety and on page 23 delete lines 1 through 15 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 23, at the beginning of line 16, delete "Section 3." and insert "Section 4."

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 24, at the end of line 3, insert "and franchise"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 24, line 6, after "income" and before "tax" insert "and franchise"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 25, at the beginning of line 15, delete "Section 4." and insert "Section 5."

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 26, delete line 11 in its entirety and insert "Section 6. R.S. 56:"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 26, delete lines 14 through 29 in their entirety and delete pages 27 and 28 in their entirety and on page 29 delete lines 1 through 7 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 30, delete line 12 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Section 7. R.S. 17:3801(B), (C)(4), and (F), R.S. 30:86(C), and R.S. 39:98.3(E), and 100.116(A)(4), (9), (11), (13), (C), and (D) are hereby"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 30, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

"Section 8. R.S. 17:3801 through 3805 and R.S. 39:98.3(C) are hereby repealed in their entirety."

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 30, at the beginning of line 14, delete "Section 7." and insert "Section 9."

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 30, at the beginning of line 18, delete "Section 8." and insert "Section 10."

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 30, at the beginning of line 21, delete "Section 9." and insert "Section 11."

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 30, line 23, after "House Bill No." and before "of the 2024" insert "7"

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 30, at the beginning of line 25, delete "Section 10." and insert "Section 12."

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 30, line 26, after "House Bill No." and before "of the 2024" insert "7"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 31, at the beginning of line 3, delete "Section 11." and insert "Section 13."

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 31, at the beginning of line 8, delete "Section 12. Section 7" and insert "Section 14. Section 9"

AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 31, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:

"Section 15. Section 8 of this Act shall become effective June 30, 2025."

AMENDMENT NO. 31

On page 31, at the beginning of line 9, delete "Section 13." and insert "Section 16." and after "this Section and" and before "of this Act" delete "Section 3" and insert "Section 4"

AMENDMENT NO. 32

On page 31, line 11, after "House Bill No." and before "of the 2024" insert "7"

AMENDMENT NO. 33

On page 31, delete line 14 in its entirety and at the beginning of line 15 delete "11, and 12" and insert the following:

"Section 17.(A) The provisions of this Section and Sections 1 through 3, 5 through 7, 10, 11, and 13 through 15"

AMENDMENT NO. 34

On page 31, line 17, after "House Bill No." and before "of the 2024" insert "7"

AMENDMENT NO. 35

On page 31, page 19, after "provisions of" and before "of this Act" delete "Section 10" and insert "Section 12"

On motion of Rep. McFarland, the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Rep. McFarland, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 21—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOURRIQUE AND CREWS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:306.6, relative to sales and use taxes; to require the secretary of the Department of Revenue to annually estimate state taxes collected on sales of aviation fuel; to require monies collected from the avails of aviation fuel taxes to be used for certain purposes; to provide for certain calculations; to require the secretaries of the Department of Revenue and the Department of Transportation and Development to enter into certain agreements; to require the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget to review and approve certain agreements; to provide for reporting requirements and limitations; to provide for termination of certain requirements; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Rep. Emerson, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

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. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:287.750(E)(1), 6005(C)(1), 6006(A) and (B)(1)(introductory paragraph), (2), and (4), 6006.1(A), (B)(introductory paragraph), (1), (3), and (4), and (C), 6008(A), 6013(A), 6014(A), (B), and (C)(1) and (3) through (5), 6015(B)(1) and (2), (C)(3)(a) and (d)(i), (D)(2)(introductory paragraph), and (K), 6017(A), 6018(B), (D)(introductory paragraph), and (E), 6019(A)(1)(a)(i) and (3)(a) and (b)(ii)(aa) and (dd)(1), 6020(D)(2)(a) and (3)(a) and (d)(i), 6022(E)(1)(a), (b), and (e)(introductory paragraph), 6028(C)(introductory paragraph) and (D)(1) and (2), 6032(A) and (D), 6033(C)(introductory paragraph) and (D)(1) and (2), 6036(C)(1)(a)(introductory paragraph) and (1)(2)(a)(i) and (b), 6105(A), 6107(A) and (B), and 6108(A) and (B)(introductory paragraph), (1), (3), and (4) and R.S. 51:1787(A)(2)(a) and (b) and (G) and 2399.3(A)(1) and (3)(a) and (d)(i) and to repeal Chapter 5 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:601 through 618, and R.S. 47:3204(H)(1), (I)(1)(a), and (J)(1) and 4305(B)(1), relative to corporation taxes; to repeal the corporation franchise tax; to repeal provisions relative to the application, administration, collection, and payment of the corporation franchise tax; to repeal the automatic corporation franchise tax rate reduction under certain circumstances; to repeal provisions relative to corporations not subject to the corporation franchise tax; to provide with respect to tax credits applicable against corporation franchise tax; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(A), 32.1, 44.1(A), 287.732.2(B), 287.750(I), 293(9)(a)(iv) and (10), 294, 295, 300.1, 300.3(3), 4302(B), 6007(I), 6015(J), 6019(A)(1)(a)(i), 6020(H), 6022(D)(4)(introductory paragraph), and 6023(I), and R.S. 51:1787(L) and 2461, to enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xxvi), 297.25, 300.6(B)(3), 300.7(C)(3), 3204(M), and 6022(M) and R.S. 51:2399.3(C), and to repeal R.S. 47:32(B), 79, 293(9)(a)(ix) and (xvii), 293.2, 297, 297.2, 297.6, 297.7, 297.9, 297.20(A)(2), and 297.21(A)(2), relative to income tax; to provide for a flat tax rate for individuals, estates, and trusts; to provide for the calculation of individual income tax liability; to provide for the reduction of individual income tax rates under certain circumstances; to provide for certain requirements and limitations for the reduction of individual income tax rates; to provide for the amount of the standard deduction; to reduce certain deductions and credits; to increase the amount of the deduction for certain annual retirement income; to provide for certain definitions; to establish bonus depreciation and bonus amortization deductions; to provide for certain limitations with respect to the bonus depreciation; to provide for personal exemptions and credits for dependents; to provide for the rates and brackets for estates and trusts; to provide for the termination of certain credits claimed against income tax liability; to repeal provisions relative to elections made by certain corporations and flow-through entities; to repeal provisions for certain disallowed expenses; to repeal the deduction for net capital gains; to repeal regulation requirements for the capital gains deduction; to repeal certain limitations on the deduction for children adopted from foster care; to repeal certain limitations on the deduction for the private adoption of certain children; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Horton, on behalf of the Legislative Bureau, sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Horton on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Emerson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, lines 2 through 3, following "and the" change "State Treasurer" to "state treasurer"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 6, between lines 2 and 3, insert "* * *

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 16, line 16, following "Section" change "2." to "3."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 16, line 18, following "Section" change "3." to "4."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 16, line 20, following "Section" change "4." to "5."

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On motion of Rep. Horton, the amendments were adopted.

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Emerson to Engrossed House Bill No. 1 by Representative Emerson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "295," and before "300.1," insert "the Section heading of 297.14,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 16, after "depreciation" and before the semicolon ";" insert "and amortization"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 9, after "295," and before "300.1," insert "the Section heading of 297.14,"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 4, after "means" and before "twelve" insert a comma "," and insert "for purposes of the determination made by the secretary and the state treasurer on October 1, 2026."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, at the end of line 5, insert the following:

"The amount provided for in this Paragraph shall be adjusted annually in accordance with the provisions of Subsection B of this Section. After each annual adjustment, the adjusted amount shall become the new base year revenues amount."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, line 16, after "amount" and before "the percentage" delete "equal to" and insert "calculated by multiplying the prior year's base year revenues by"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 4, line 8, after "amount" and before "the percentage" delete "equal to" and insert "calculated by multiplying the prior year's base year revenues by"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 5, line 8, after "amount" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert "calculated by multiplying the amount of the prior year's exemption by the"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 8, delete line 1 in its entirety and insert the following:

~~b.(2)~~ Married-Joint Return, and a § 9000.00 200% of the
Qualified Surviving Spouse, dollar amount provided
and Head of Household for Single Individuals

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 8, delete line 3 in its entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 8, line 8, after "amount" and before "the percentage" delete "equal to" and insert "calculated by multiplying the amount of the prior year's standard deduction by"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 11, after line 29, insert the following:

"§297.14. ~~Flow-through~~ Pass-through entity exclusion
* * *"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 15, line 2, after "Part I" and before "is" insert "of the Louisiana Commercial Rehabilitation Tax Credit"

On motion of Rep. Emerson, the amendments were adopted.

Rep. Emerson moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Dickerson	McCormick
Adams	Domangue	McFarland
Amedee	Echols	McMahan
Bacala	Edmonston	McMakin
Bagley	Egan	Melerine
Bamburg	Emerson	Miller
Bayham	Farnum	Muscarello
Beaulieu	Firment	Myers
Berault	Fisher	Orgeron
Billings	Fontenot	Owen
Bourriaque	Freiberg	Riser
Boyer	Gadberry	Romero
Brass	Galle	Schamerhorn
Braud	Geymann	Schlegel
Brown	Glorioso	Selders
Bryant	Hebert	St. Blanc
Butler	Henry	Stagni
Carlson	Hilferty	Tarver
Carrier	Horton	Thomas
Carter, R.	Illg	Thompson
Carver	Jackson	Turner
Chasson	Johnson, M.	Ventrella
Chenevert	Kerner	Villio
Coates	Knox	Walters
Cox	LaCombe	Wilder
Crews	LaFleur	Wiley
Davis	Landry, J.	Wright
Deshotel	Lyons	Wyble
Dewitt	Mack	Zeringue
Total - 87		

NAYS

Boyd	Landry, M.	Newell
Green	Larvadain	Phelps
Hughes	Marcelle	Taylor
Jordan	Mena	Willard
Total - 12		

ABSENT

Carpenter	Freeman	Moore
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Young
Total - 6		

The Chair declared the above bill, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:287.750(E)(1), 6005(C)(1), 6006(A) and (B)(1)(introductory paragraph), (2), and (4), 6006.1(A), (B)(introductory paragraph), (1), (3), and (4), and (C), 6008(A), 6013(A), 6014(A), (B), and (C)(1) and (3) through (5), 6015(B)(1) and (2), (C)(3)(a) and (d)(i), (D)(2)(introductory paragraph), and (K), 6017(A), 6018(B), (D)(introductory paragraph), and (E), 6019(A)(1)(a)(i) and (3)(a) and (b)(ii)(aa) and (dd)(I), 6020(D)(2)(a) and (3)(a) and (d)(i), 6022(E)(1)(a), (b), and (e)(introductory paragraph), 6028(C)(introductory paragraph) and (D)(1) and (2), 6032(A) and (D), 6033(C)(introductory paragraph) and (D)(1) and (2), 6036(C)(1)(a)(introductory paragraph) and (I)(2)(a)(i) and (b), 6105(A), 6107(A) and (B), and 6108(A) and (B)(introductory paragraph), (1), (3), and (4) and R.S. 51:1787(A)(2)(a) and (b) and (G) and 2399.3(A)(1) and (3)(a) and (d)(i) and to repeal Chapter 5 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 47:601 through 618, and R.S. 47:3204(H)(1), (I)(1)(a), and (J)(1) and 4305(B)(1), relative to corporation taxes; to repeal the corporation franchise tax; to repeal provisions relative to the application, administration, collection, and payment of the corporation franchise tax; to repeal the automatic corporation franchise tax rate reduction under certain circumstances; to repeal provisions relative to corporations not subject to the corporation franchise tax; to provide with respect to tax credits applicable against corporation franchise tax; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Emerson to Engrossed House Bill No. 3 by Representative Emerson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 22, delete lines 18 through 22 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Section 5. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2026."

On motion of Rep. Emerson, the amendments were adopted.

Rep. Emerson moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Dickerson	McFarland
Adams	Domangue	McMahan
Amedee	Echols	McMakin
Bacala	Edmonston	Melerine
Bagley	Egan	Miller
Bamburg	Emerson	Muscarello
Bayham	Farnum	Myers

Beaulieu	Firment	Orgeron
Berault	Fisher	Owen
Billings	Fontenot	Riser
Bourriaque	Freiberg	Romero
Boyer	Gadberry	Schamerhorn
Brass	Galle	Schlegel
Braud	Geymann	Selders
Brown	Glorioso	St. Blanc
Bryant	Green	Tarver
Butler	Hebert	Thomas
Carlson	Henry	Thompson
Carrier	Hilferty	Turner
Carter, R.	Horton	Ventrella
Carver	Illg	Villio
Chenevert	Johnson, M.	Walters
Coates	Kerner	Wilder
Cox	LaCombe	Wiley
Crews	LaFleur	Wright
Davis	Landry, J.	Wyble
Deshotel	Mack	Zeringue
Dewitt	McCormick	

Total - 83

NAYS

Boyd	Larvadain	Phelps
Chassion	Lyons	Stagni
Hughes	Marcelle	Taylor
Knox	Mena	Willard
Landry, M.	Newell	

Total - 14

ABSENT

Carpenter	Jackson	Moore
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Young
Freeman	Jordan	

Total - 8

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

AN ACT

To appropriate funds and to make certain reductions from certain sources to be allocated to the designated agencies and purposes in specific amounts for the making of supplemental appropriations and reductions for said agencies and purposes for Fiscal Year 2024-2025; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. McFarland moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Edmonston	McFarland
Adams	Egan	McMahan
Amedee	Emerson	McMakin
Bacala	Farnum	Melerine
Bagley	Firment	Mena
Bamburg	Fisher	Miller
Bayham	Fontenot	Muscarello

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Beaulieu	Freiberg	Myers
Berault	Gadberry	Newell
Billings	Galle	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Geymann	Owen
Boyd	Glorioso	Phelps
Boyer	Green	Riser
Brass	Hebert	Romero
Braud	Henry	Schamerhorn
Brown	Hilferty	Schlegel
Bryant	Horton	Selders
Butler	Hughes	St. Blanc
Carlson	Illg	Stagni
Carrier	Jackson	Tarver
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Carver	Jordan	Thomas
Chassion	Kerner	Thompson
Chenevert	Knox	Turner
Coates	LaCombe	Ventrella
Cox	LaFleur	Villio
Crews	Landry, J.	Walters
Davis	Landry, M.	Wilder
Deshotel	Larvadin	Wiley
Dewitt	Lyons	Willard
Dickerson	Mack	Wright
Domangue	Marcelle	Wyble
Echols	McCormick	Zeringue

Total - 99

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carpenter	Freeman	Moore
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Young

Total - 6

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. McFarland 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 13—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN AND SENATOR HENSGENS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:34(C), 38(B), and 54(C) and to enact R.S. 39:33.3, relative to state finances; to provide relative to the calculation of a limit above which certain funds may only be appropriated for certain purposes; to provide relative to exceptions; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to the authority of the governor; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the commissioner of administration; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the Revenue Estimating Conference; to provide for a special effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Geymann to Engrossed House Bill No. 13 by Representative Geymann

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, after "funds may" and before "for certain" delete "only be appropriated" and inserted "be appropriated only"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 18, after "funds can" and before "for the purposes" delete "only be made" and insert "be made only"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 15, after "limit shall" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert "be appropriated only for"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, line 20, after "House Bill No." and before "of this" delete "14" and insert "7"

On motion of Rep. Geymann, the amendments were adopted.

Rep. Geymann moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Dewitt	Mack
Adams	Dickerson	McCormick
Amedee	Domangue	McFarland
Bacala	Echols	McMahan
Bagley	Edmonston	McMakin
Bamburg	Egan	Melerine
Bayham	Emerson	Muscarello
Beaulieu	Farnum	Myers
Berault	Firment	Orgeron
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Braud	Galle	Schlegel
Brown	Geymann	Selders
Bryant	Glorioso	St. Blanc
Butler	Hebert	Tarver
Carlson	Henry	Thomas
Carrier	Hilferty	Thompson
Carter, R.	Horton	Turner
Carver	Illg	Ventrella
Chenevert	Johnson, M.	Villio
Coates	Kerner	Wilder
Cox	LaCombe	Wiley
Crews	LaFleur	Wright
Davis	Landry, J.	Wyble
Deshotel	Lyons	Zeringue

Total - 81

NAYS

Boyd	Larvadin	Stagni
Green	Mena	Taylor
Hughes	Miller	Walters
Jordan	Newell	Willard
Landry, M.	Phelps	

Total - 14

ABSENT

Carpenter	Jackson	Moore
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Young
Chassion	Knox	
Freeman	Marcelle	

Total - 10

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Geymann 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 7—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to revise Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to revenue and finance; to provide with respect to the power of taxation including limitations thereon; to require uniformity with respect to certain local and state tax measures; to provide with respect to assessment of property and other items of taxation; to provide with respect to remittal of some or all of certain tax revenues to local entities; to provide with respect to rates of taxation; to provide with respect to dedication of certain revenue; to provide with respect to bonded indebtedness including limitations thereon; to provide with respect to the Interim Emergency Board; to provide with respect to the State Bond Commission; to provide with respect to deposit of monies received by the state or its instrumentalities; to provide with respect to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund; to provide with respect to expenditure of state revenues; to provide with respect to the Revenue Estimating Conference; to provide with respect to appropriations; to provide with respect to deficits; to provide with respect to budgets; to provide with respect to publication of certain data; to provide with respect to the Budget Stabilization Fund; to provide with respect to the Transportation Trust Fund including subfunds thereof; to provide with respect to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund; to provide for establishing certain classes of trusts and funds in the state treasury; to provide with respect to designation of certain trusts and funds in the state treasury as a member of such classes; to provide with respect to the Louisiana Education Quality Trust Fund including subfunds thereof; to provide with respect to the Mineral Revenue Audit and Settlement Fund; to provide with respect to the Oilfield Site Restoration Fund; to provide with respect to the Oil Spill Contingency Fund; to provide with respect to the Millennium Trust and any funds within it; to provide with respect to the Louisiana Fund; to provide with respect to the Artificial Reef Development Fund; to provide with respect to the legislature's authority to take certain actions; to provide with respect to the Hospital Stabilization Formula and Fund; to provide with respect to the Louisiana Medical Assistance Trust Fund and any accounts therein; to provide with respect to the Revenue Stabilization Trust Fund; to provide with respect to the Conservation Fund; to provide with respect to public access to certain revenue and expenditure information; to provide with respect to investment of certain monies; to provide with respect to things of value; to provide with respect to cooperative endeavors; to provide with respect to prior obligations regarding things of value; to provide with respect to release or extinguishment of certain obligations; to provide with respect to taxes; to require transfer of certain assets to the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; to provide with respect to the authority of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana regarding calculation of system liabilities and required funding; to provide with respect to use by certain political subdivisions of certain revenues to provide a salary increase for certain personnel; to provide with respect to valuation of property for tax purposes; to provide with respect to treatment of certain property, income, or things of value for tax purposes; to provide with respect to tax liability; to provide with respect to reduction or elimination of tax liability in certain circumstances; to provide with respect to certain payments to political subdivisions; to provide with respect to invalidation or impairment of certain taxes or obligations; to provide with respect to millage rates; to provide with respect to tax assessors; to provide with respect to tax sales; to provide with respect to liens and privileges; to provide with respect to the Revenue Sharing Fund; to provide with respect to the Louisiana Unclaimed Property Permanent Trust Fund; to make technical and conforming changes; to provide for submission of the

proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Emerson to Reengrossed House Bill No. 7 by Representative Emerson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 14, line 27, after "United States Army" and before "of Engineers" delete "Corp" and insert "Corps"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 107, line 26, after "(1)" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert "There"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 112, between lines 1 and 2, insert the following:

"Section 9. Notwithstanding any provision of this Act to the contrary, the Government Growth Limit for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year shall equal the base, plus the product of such amount and three percent. For the purposes of this Section, "the base" shall mean the total of appropriations for recurring expenses from the state general fund and dedicated funds for the immediately prior fiscal year; however, the base shall not include any appropriation or allocation excluded from analysis of appropriation totals in relation to the expenditure limit. The commissioner of administration shall cause the limit for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to be calculated pursuant to the provisions of this Section and shall submit such limit to the speaker of the House, the president of the Senate, the House Committee on Appropriations, and the Senate Committee on Finance as soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 112, at the beginning of line 2, change "Section 9." to "Section 10."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 112, at the beginning of line 5, change "Section 10." to "Section 11."

On motion of Rep. Emerson, the amendments were adopted.

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Zeringue to Reengrossed House Bill No. 7 by Representative Emerson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 31, line 15, after "(D)(1)" and before "Subject" insert "(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 31, at the beginning of line 22, change "(2)" to "(b)"

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AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 31, between lines 25 and 26, insert the following:

"(2) The treasurer shall deposit in and credit to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund all other monies dedicated to the fund by law. Once enacted, such dedication shall not be changed except by law enacted by the favorable vote of two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the legislature."

Rep. Zeringue moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Emerson objected.

By a vote of 24 yeas and 63 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Rep. Emerson moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Dickerson	Mack
Adams	Domangue	McCormick
Amedee	Echols	McFarland
Bacala	Edmonston	McMahan
Bagley	Egan	McMakin
Bamburg	Emerson	Melerine
Bayham	Farnum	Miller
Beaullieu	Firment	Muscarello
Berault	Fisher	Myers
Billings	Fontenot	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Freiberg	Owen
Boyer	Gadberry	Riser
Brass	Galle	Romero
Braud	Geymann	Schamerhorn
Brown	Glorioso	Schlegel
Butler	Hebert	Selders
Carlson	Henry	St. Blanc
Carrier	Hilferty	Tarver
Carver	Horton	Thomas
Chassion	Illg	Thompson
Chenevert	Jackson	Turner
Coates	Johnson, M.	Ventrella
Cox	Kerner	Villio
Crews	Knox	Wilder
Davis	LaCombe	Wiley
Deshotel	LaFleur	Wright
Dewitt	Landry, J.	Wyble
Total - 81		

NAYS

Boyd	Larvadain	Stagni
Green	Lyons	Taylor
Hughes	Mena	Walters
Jordan	Newell	Willard
Landry, M.	Phelps	Zeringue
Total - 15		

ABSENT

Bryant	Carter, W.	Marcelle
Carpenter	Freeman	Moore
Carter, R.	Johnson, T.	Young
Total - 9		

The Chair declared the above bill, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 11—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1703, 1703.1(A), 1705(B)(1)(a) and (b)(i), (2)(a), (b), (c)(i)(introductory paragraph) and (ii), (d), and (D), 1707 through 1708, 1710, 1712, 1713(B), 1714(introductory paragraph), (1), and (6), 1715(introductory paragraph), (1), and (6), and 1716 and to enact R.S. 47:1702(12) through (15) and 1717 through 1719, relative to ad valorem taxation; to provide for definitions; to provide for classification of property; to provide for valuation of property; to provide for reappraisal of property; to provide for special assessment level; to provide for ad valorem taxation; to provide for the administration of ad valorem taxation; to provide for ad valorem tax exemptions; to provide for requirements and limitations; to provide for the adjustment of millages; to provide for ad valorem tax assessors; to authorize and direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to re-designate certain provisions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Horton, on behalf of the Legislative Bureau, sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Horton on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed House Bill No. 11 by Representative Deshotel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 22, following "less" change "that" to "than"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 17, line 8, at the beginning of the line change "business" to "business's"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 18, line 1, change "Office of the State Fire Marshal" to "office of the state fire marshal"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 21, line 26, following "Subparagraph (d)" and before "or" insert "of this Paragraph"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 22, line 5, following "Subparagraph (d)" and before "or" insert "of this Paragraph"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 35, line 8, following "thousand" and before "five" delete "2"

On motion of Rep. Horton, the amendments were adopted.

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Deshotel to Engrossed House Bill No. 11 by Representative Deshotel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 8, after "to provide for" and before "special" insert "a"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, at the beginning of line 7, delete "(13)" and insert "(13)(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 9, after "or" and before "are" delete the comma ", "

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, at the beginning of line 11, delete "(a)" and insert "(b)"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 12, after "sale" and before "not limited" delete "that include but are" and insert "including but"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 21, after "of this" and before "the term" delete "Section," and insert "Item,"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, at the beginning of line 22, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2 at the beginning of line 25, delete "(b)" and insert "(c)"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 27, after "pursuant to" and before "law," delete "the provisions of"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, line 11, after "including" and before "goods" delete the comma ", "

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, line 13, after ""Manufacturer"" and before "one" delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, line 26, after "Bureau of" and before "Census" insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, at the end of line 28, delete "Section." and insert "Paragraph."

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 8, line 21, after "such" and before "corporation" delete "a"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 8, line 26, after "health" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and delete line 27 in its entirety and insert the following:

"workforce by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, or its successor."

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 10, at the beginning of line 9, after "provisions of" and before "this Subparagraph" insert "Item (ii) of"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 13, at the beginning of line 9, after "Paragraph" and before "a new" delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 14, line 13, after "contract" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert "absolutely null and void."

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 14, line 14, after "Paragraph" and before "an" delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 14, line 16, after "Paragraph" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 14, line 25, after "operation of" and before "drilling" delete "said" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 15, line 1, after "exemption," and before "which" insert "provided pursuant to Article VII, Section 34 of the Constitution of Louisiana,"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 15, line 15, after "exemption," and before "which" insert "provided pursuant to Article VII, Section 34 of the Constitution of Louisiana,"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 16, line 1, after "exemption," and before "which" insert "provided pursuant to Article VII, Section 34 of the Constitution of Louisiana,"

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 16, line 28, after "contain" and before "terms" insert "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 17, at the beginning of line 14, delete "(31)" and insert "(31)(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 17, line 16, after "Item" and before "of this" delete "(a)(i)" and insert "(b)(i)"

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AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 17, line 17, after "Item" and before "of this" delete "(a)(ii)" and insert "(b)(ii)"

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 17, at the beginning of line 18, delete "(a)(i)" and insert "(b)(i)"

AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 17, line 21, after "on" and before "duty" insert "active"

AMENDMENT NO. 31

On page 18, line 8, after "Subparagraph" and before "of this" delete "(b)" and insert "(c)"

AMENDMENT NO. 32

On page 18, at the beginning of line 10, delete "(b)" and insert "(c)"

AMENDMENT NO. 33

On page 18, at the beginning of line 20, delete "(c)" and insert "(d)"

AMENDMENT NO. 34

On page 19, at the beginning of line 1, delete "(d)" and insert "(e)"

AMENDMENT NO. 35

On page 19, line 6, after "1870" and before the period "." delete the comma "," and delete "as amended"

AMENDMENT NO. 36

On page 19, line 22, after "homestead" and before the comma "," insert "exemption provided pursuant to Article VII, Section 34 of the Constitution of Louisiana,"

AMENDMENT NO. 37

On page 19, line 27, after "first responder" and before "a" delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 38

On page 20, line 3, after "first responder" and before "a" delete "shall also mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 39

On page 21, line 11, after "beginning" and before "January" insert "on or after"

AMENDMENT NO. 40

On page 21, line 14, after "Section" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert "37 of the Constitution of Louisiana and"

AMENDMENT NO. 41

On page 21, line 26, after "(d)" and before "or one" insert "of this Paragraph"

AMENDMENT NO. 42

On page 22, line 5, after "(d)" and before "or five" insert "of this Paragraph"

AMENDMENT NO. 43

On page 23, at the beginning of line 7, delete "JEFF DAVIS" to "JEFFERSON DAVIS"

AMENDMENT NO. 44

On page 23, at the beginning of line 29, after "ST JOHN" insert "THE BAPTIST"

AMENDMENT NO. 45

On page 24, at the beginning of line 15, after "Section" and before "of the" delete "34" and insert "37"

AMENDMENT NO. 46

On page 25, at the end of line 7, before the period "." insert "provided pursuant to Article VII, Section 34 of the Constitution of Louisiana"

AMENDMENT NO. 47

On page 27, at the end of line 24, before the comma "," delete "R.S. 47:1703" and insert "R.S. 47:1703(A)(13)"

AMENDMENT NO. 48

On page 31, delete line 9 in its entirety and insert the following:

"§1717. Special assessment level"

AMENDMENT NO. 49

On page 32, line 5, after "Index" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and delete line 6 in its entirety and insert "produced by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics."

AMENDMENT NO. 50

On page 33, line 22, after "Section" and before "of the" delete "31" and insert "32"

AMENDMENT NO. 51

On page 36, line 3, after "Section" and before "of the" delete "33" and insert "34"

AMENDMENT NO. 52

On page 38, line 5, after "Section" and before "of" delete "33" and insert "34"

AMENDMENT NO. 53

On page 39, line 6, after "Section" and before "of the" delete "31(F)" and insert "32(F)"

AMENDMENT NO. 54

On page 39, line 12, after "Sections" and before "of the" delete "31 and 33" and insert "32 and 34"

AMENDMENT NO. 55

On page 39, line 14, after "Section" and before "of the" delete "31" and insert "32"

On motion of Rep. Deshotel, the amendments were adopted.

Acting Speaker McFarland in the Chair

Rep. Deshotel moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Domangue	McFarland
Adams	Echols	McMahen
Amedee	Edmonston	McMakin
Bacala	Egan	Melerine
Bagley	Emerson	Miller
Bamburg	Farnum	Muscarello
Bayham	Firment	Myers
Beaulieu	Fisher	Orgeron
Berault	Fontenot	Owen
Billings	Freiberg	Riser
Bourriaque	Gadberry	Romero
Boyer	Galle	Schamerhorn
Brass	Geymann	Schlegel
Braud	Glorioso	Selders
Brown	Hebert	St. Blanc
Bryant	Henry	Tarver
Butler	Hilferty	Thomas
Carlson	Horton	Thompson
Carver	Illg	Turner
Chenevert	Jackson	Ventrella
Coates	Johnson, M.	Villio
Cox	Kerner	Wilder
Crews	Knox	Wiley
Davis	LaCombe	Wright
Deshotel	Landry, J.	Wyble
Dewitt	Mack	
Dickerson	McCormick	
Total - 79		

NAYS

Boyd	Landry, M.	Stagni
Chassion	Larvadain	Taylor
Green	Lyons	Walters
Hughes	Mena	Willard
Jordan	Newell	Zeringue
LaFleur	Phelps	
Total - 17		

ABSENT

Carpenter	Carter, W.	Marcelle
Carrier	Freeman	Moore
Carter, R.	Johnson, T.	Young
Total - 9		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Deshotel 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.

Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Taylor requested the House consent to correct her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 11 from yea to nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

Speaker DeVillier in the Chair

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Michael Johnson, 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 Education

November 12, 2024

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 5, by Bacala
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

Laurie Schlegel
Chairman

Suspension of the Rules

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committee

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 5—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA AND SENATOR EDMONDS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:418.1, relative to the compensation of teachers and other school employees; to require public school systems to provide a salary increase to certain personnel; to provide relative to the amount of the increase; to provide relative to related benefits; to provide for a funding mechanism; to provide for definitions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 5 by Representative Bacala

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the beginning of line 10, change "A." to "A.(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 18, change "No. ____ of" to "No. 7 of"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 18, after "Legislature," delete the remainder of the line and delete line 19 and on page 2, delete lines 1 through 3 and insert the following:

"(2) If the amount of net savings realized by a school system is insufficient to fully fund the salary increases in the amounts specified in this Subsection, plus any related benefits, the remaining amount

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necessary to fully fund such salary increases and benefits shall be provided for in the minimum foundation program formula."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 5, after "which" delete the remainder of the line and insert "an across-the-board pay raise was proposed in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 minimum foundation program formula for that fiscal year and for which a stipend"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 14, change "No. ___ of" to "No. 7 of"

On motion of Rep. Schlegel, the amendments were adopted.

Under the rules, the above bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

Leave of Absence

Rep. C. Travis Johnson - 2 days

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 3:17 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at 2:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, November 13, 2024.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House

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