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**Fiftieth Regular Session of the Legislature  
Under the Adoption of the  
Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, April 22, 2024

The House of Representatives was called to order at 3:00 P.M., by the Honorable Michael Johnson, Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives.

**Morning Hour**

**ROLL CALL**

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

PRESENT

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

Echols  
Total - 102

McFarland  
Zeringue

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

**Prayer**

Prayer was offered by Father Doug Bush of Our Lady of the Lake Church in Mandeville.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Rep. Willard 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. Crews, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Crews, the Journal of April 18, 2024, was adopted.

**Privileged Report of the Legislative Bureau**

April 22, 2024

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Legislative Bureau to submit the following report:

Senate Bill No. 36  
Reported without amendments.

Senate Bill No. 82  
Reported without amendments.

Senate Bill No. 95  
Reported without amendments.

Senate Bill No. 103  
Reported without amendments.

Senate Bill No. 104  
Reported with amendments.

Senate Bill No. 114  
Reported without amendments.

Senate Bill No. 117  
Reported without amendments.

Senate Bill No. 249  
Reported without amendments.

Senate Bill No. 271  
Reported without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

DODIE HORTON  
Chair

**Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment**

April 22, 2024

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

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

The following House Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

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## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 120—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES BEAULLIEU AND MCMAKIN  
A RESOLUTION

To designate April 2024 as Financial Literacy Month in Louisiana.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 121—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON  
A RESOLUTION

To commend James Denver "Dennie" Williams for his years of service to CLECO and the state of Louisiana.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 122—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILDER  
A RESOLUTION

To commend the Denham Springs High School boys' bowling team on winning the 2024 Louisiana High School Athletic Association Division I state championship.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY  
Chairwoman

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

### **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. 123—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON  
A RESOLUTION

To commend Tanner Ward for his exemplary compassion as a medical student, leader, and ambassador of LSU Health Shreveport.

Read by title.

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

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 124—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU  
A RESOLUTION

To commend Yolanda Polk on being selected as the 2024 Louisiana Direct Support Professional of the Year by the American Network of Community Options and Resources.

Read by title.

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

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 125—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS  
A RESOLUTION

To commend Dr. Aubra Gantt on becoming the first woman to serve as chancellor of Southern University at Shreveport.

Read by title.

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

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 126—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS  
A RESOLUTION

To commend Rosalind Glover-Bryant on the occasion of her retirement.

Read by title.

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

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 127—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY  
A RESOLUTION

To commend Dr. Michelle Yetman for her efforts to improve the lives of those with disabilities and to aid the nonmedical professionals who work with those with disabilities.

Read by title.

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

## **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 73—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES MILLER AND TURNER  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to develop a professional consulting nursing service code in the New Opportunities Waiver, Residential Options Waiver, and Supports Waiver.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

## **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 74—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to review the road conditions at the Washington Street exit on I-10 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana and close the exit to improve safety.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

## **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 75—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to create a proper indication of a merging lane for Exit 159 on the Essen Lane ramp of I-10 West.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

## **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 76—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to make the space between the median uniform for all the lanes on the Perkins Road intersection of LA- 427.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 77—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIAQUE

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To commend the Louisiana 4-H Shooting Sports team on winning the 2023-2024 National Championship.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

### House and House Concurrent Resolutions Lying Over

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 72—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge and request the State Department of Education to conduct a comprehensive study on school start times and submit a written report of findings and recommendations to the House Committee on Education and the Senate Committee on Education not later than February 1, 2025.

Read by title.

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

### 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:

**SENATE BILL NO. 44—**

BY SENATORS MCMATH AND OWEN

**AN ACT**

To provide relative to state highways; to designate a portion of U.S. Route 11 Maestri Bridge in St. Tammany Parish as the "Jimmy Buffett 'Changes in Latitude' Memorial Crossing"; to provide for location and placement of signage; to provide for restrictions on costs of materials to the department; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

**SENATE BILL NO. 268—**

BY SENATOR CATHEY

**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:305.81, relative to sales and use tax rebates; to provide for a state sales and use tax rebate for the purchase of machinery, equipment, and other items used in the lithium recovery process; to provide for definitions; to authorize the secretary of the Department of Revenue to promulgate rules; to provide for application procedures; to provide for applicability; to provide for limitations with respect to the credit; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**SENATE BILL NO. 318—**

BY SENATOR WOMACK

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:72.1(A)(1) and R.S. 39:112(E)(4) as enacted by Section 1 of Act 82 of the 2023 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, relative to capital outlay; to provide with respect to the capital outlay process; to require a nonstate entity to maintain an escrow account for certain projects; to provide for escrow account balance requirements; to provide relative to compliance with audit requirements; to require the commissioner of administration to promulgate rules; to provide for exemptions; 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.

**SENATE BILL NO. 404—**

BY SENATOR CONNICK

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:1260(C)(5) and (6)(f), relative to the Major Events Incentive Program; to provide relative to qualified major events; to provide for definitions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 405—**

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 11:2175(H), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide for retirees returning to positions covered by the fund; to provide for recession of retirement; 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 Retirement.

**SENATE BILL NO. 406—**

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2178(K)(2)(a), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide for membership in and receipt of benefits from the fund; to provide relative to permanent benefit increases for certain recipients; 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 Retirement.

**SENATE BILL NO. 498—**

BY SENATOR FOIL

**AN ACT**

To enact Chapter 2-B of Code Title II of Code Book III of Title 9 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 9:2348 through 2350.2, and R.S. 9:2792.1.1, relative to special charitable trusts; to provide for the creation and purpose of special charitable trusts; to provide with respect to terms, conditions, and procedures; to provide for duties, functions, limitations, and restrictions; to provide with respect to trustees and officers of the special charitable trusts; to provide for indemnification and insurance; to provide for limitation of liability; 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.

### House and House Concurrent Resolutions Reported by Committee

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions reported by committee were taken up and acted upon as follows:

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 119— BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON A RESOLUTION

To authorize and request the chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development to appoint a subcommittee, entitled the Louisiana Emergency Beetle Committee, to study and make recommendations on rules and actions to address the devastation of the forest industry due to the recent drought and infestation of beetles and other pests that are killing pine and other trees and to address issues arising from any laws or regulations that restrict or prohibit local and state entities from removing infested trees from private properties.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

#### HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development to Original House Resolution No. 119 by Representative Mike Johnson

##### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the beginning of line 10, delete "(LSU)"

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

Under the rules, the above resolution, as amended, was ordered engrossed and recommitted to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 42— BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana State University (LSU) AgCenter and the Southern University Ag Center to jointly study and make recommendations on how sugarcane bagasse can be used to provide value-added economic benefits to sugarcane producers through investments by the private sector for uses such as soil amendments, animal feed, biofuels, industrial filters or absorbents, graphene production, or any other uses.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

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

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 61—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

#### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Legislature of Louisiana to support the "Greaux the Good" farmers market match programs.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

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

### 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. 119— BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1595 and to enact R.S. 23:1606, relative to unemployment compensation; to provide for the duration of benefits; to provide definitions; to provide for extended benefits; to provide for the termination of extended benefits; to provide for the promulgation of rules; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

#### HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original House Bill No. 119 by Representative Romero

##### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 12, delete "equal to" and insert "up to"

##### AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, at the end of line 5, after "published" add "state"

##### AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 9, change "monthly" to "biannual"

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

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

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 142— BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:130.766(A)(2)(c), relative to the Iberia Economic Development Authority; to provide for an increase to the term of certain lease agreements entered into by the authority; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 145—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 16:205 and 266, relative to the parishes of Sabine and Winn; to provide with respect to the district attorney's office; to require relative to group health insurance coverage for eligible retired employees; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Judiciary.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to Original House Bill No. 145 by Representative Bagley

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, change "R.S. 16:266" to "R.S. 16:205 and 266" and after "to the" and before the semicolon ";" delete "parish of Sabine" and insert "parishes of Sabine and Winn"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 5 through 7 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 9, change "R.S. 16:266 is" to "R.S. 16:205 and 266 are"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

"§205. Group health insurance; parish of Winn; office of the district attorney; eligible retired employees

A. If a group health insurer offers a retired employee a health insurance plan, the district attorney's office shall pay the retired employee's premium, upon retirement age, per the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana. Otherwise, the district attorney's office shall pay up to one hundred percent of the retired employee's health insurance premium comparable to the premium of an active employee's plan of choice.

B. When the retired employee reaches the age or condition for Medicare eligibility, the retired employee shall secure Medicare and pursue a supplemental plan. The district attorney's office shall continue to pay the retired employee's current health insurance premium or the premium for the supplemental plan that is comparable to the present insurance coverage.

C. For purposes of this Section, a retired employee shall have twenty-five years of employment with the district attorney's office at the time of retirement.

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On motion of Rep. Robert Carter, the amendments were adopted.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 156—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILDER  
AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 23:213, relative to employment of minors; to repeal the provision of law relative to recreation or meal periods for minors.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 200—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 23:1172.3, relative to workers' compensation; to prohibit the recovery of past payments of workers' compensation premiums under certain circumstances; to require notification; to provide exceptions; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original House Bill No. 200 by Representative Melerine

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, after "exceptions;" and before "and" insert "to provide for applicability:"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 14, change "an audit" to "a payroll audit"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, after line 3, add the following:

"D. If the National Council on Compensation Insurance conducts an audit and reclassifies an employee, the insurer is prohibited from recovering any past payment of workers' compensation premiums from the insured. However, the insurer may adjust the current premium to reflect the reclassification.

E. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to self-insurance funds.

F. The provisions of this Section shall apply only for the duration of a policy."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 255—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2554(C)(4), relative to the city of Leesville, to provide relative to the classified police service; to provide relative to the certification and appointment of eligible persons in the police department; and to provide for related matters.

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Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 313—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 49:1016(A) and (C), relative to employment discrimination; to provide relative to an employee of a city, parish, or municipality who uses medical marijuana; to prohibit certain employment actions against such employees and potential employees; to provide exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 323—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FREIBERG  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1233(B), relative to East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to the members of the parish governing authority; to provide relative to a travel allowance authorized for such members; to provide for an increase in the maximum amount of the travel allowance; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 353—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMANN  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:127.4, relative to highway right-of-way crossings; to authorize golf carts to cross Louisiana Highway 378 at McKinley Street and at Louisiana Highway 379 at Hilma Street and Gray Street in the city of Westlake; to require the Department of Transportation and Development to post crossing signs; to provide for consultation between the department and the governing authority of the city of Westlake regarding guidelines for placement of crossing signs; to restrict the application of certain provisions of law; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

### HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to Original House Bill No. 353 by Representative Geymann

### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "at McKinley Street" and before "and at" delete "and John Stine Road"

### AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after "Hilma Street" delete the comma "," and delete the remainder of the line and insert "and Gray Street in the"

### AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 17, after "at McKinley Street" delete "and John Stine Road"

### AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 18, after "Hilma Street" delete the comma "," and delete the remainder of the line and insert "and Gray Street on marked."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 529—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES CREWS, MCFARLAND, AND MIKE JOHNSON  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1021(13) and to repeal R.S. 23:1021(11), relative to workers' compensation; to define the term "wages"; to provide for the determination of the average weekly wage; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

### HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original House Bill No. 529 by Representative Crews

### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 2 in its entirety, and insert the following:

"To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1021(13) and to repeal R.S. 23:1021(11),"

### AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete line 6 in its entirety, and insert the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 23:1021(13) is hereby amended and reenacted to"

### AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 12 through 20 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"(13) "Wages" means average weekly wage at the time of the accident, which shall be determined as follows: ~~The average weekly wage shall be determined as follows:~~

(a) Hourly wages: The employee's total earnings divided by the total number of weeks which the employee was employed by the employer prior to the work accident, excluding the week of the

accident and subject to a maximum period of the fifty-two calendar weeks immediately preceding the work accident.

(b) Except as provided in Item (vi), total earnings are limited to compensation paid by the employer and shall be limited to the following:

(i) Full-time, part-time, hourly, monthly, annual, or seasonal employment.

(ii) Paid sick leave, paid vacation, or paid holidays. Sick leave, vacation, or holidays that are earned but not paid shall not be included in total earnings.

(iii) Unit, odd-lot, or piecework employment.

(iv) Tips reported to the employer.

(v) Incentive pay, commissions, or bonuses.

(vi) Earnings received from any concurrent employment if the employee works less than forty hours per week in the employment from which the work accident arises.

(aa) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Paragraph, in no event shall the total earnings exceed the higher of total earnings actually paid to the employee for the employment giving rise to the work accident, or total earnings that would have been paid for such employment had he worked forty hours per week.

(bb) The employee shall bear the burden of proving concurrent employment and earnings from concurrent employment and shall provide documentation of such to the employer.

(c) If the employee has not worked at least one full week preceding the week of the work accident, the average weekly wage shall be the average weekly wage agreed upon by the employer and employee at the time of employment."

#### AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete lines 1 through 15 in their entirety

#### AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, delete line 11 in its entirety and insert the following:

"~~(e)~~(d) Exceptions. For municipal police officers, additional compensation paid by the state pursuant to R.S. 40:1667.3 shall not be included in the calculation and computation of total salary or average weekly wage to the extent such officer continues to receive such additional compensation during the period of his disability.

~~(f)~~(e) Income tax. In the determination of "wages" and the average weekly wage at the time of the accident, no amount shall be included for any benefit or form of compensation which is not taxable to an employee for federal income tax purposes; however, any amount withheld by the employer to fund any nontaxable or tax-deferred benefit provided by the employer and which was elected by the employee in lieu of taxable earnings shall be included in the calculation of the employee's wage and average weekly wage including but not limited to any amount withheld by the employer to fund any health insurance benefit provided by the employer and which was elected by the employee in lieu of taxable earnings shall be included in the calculation of the employee's wage and average weekly wage.

~~(g)~~(f) Date of accident. In occupational disease claims the date of the accident for purposes of determining the employee's average weekly wage shall be the date of the employee's last employment with the employer from whom benefits are claimed or the date of his

last injurious exposure to conditions in his employment, whichever date occurs later."

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

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

#### **HOUSE BILL NO. 555— BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4169.1(A), relative to parish and municipal garbage collection; to provide relative to contracts for such garbage collection; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

#### **HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to Original House Bill No. 555 by Representative Deshotel

#### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 33:4169.1(A)" and before "relative to" delete "and to enact R.S. 38:2316.1," and insert a comma ","

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 3, change "municipality" to "municipal"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 3, after "collection" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 4 through 6 in their entirety and insert " a semi-colon ";" and "to provide relative to contracts for such garbage collection; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters."

#### AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 7, after "pursuant to" delete "Paragraphs ~~(1)~~(a) or ~~(2)~~(b)." and insert "Subparagraph (a) or (b) of this Paragraph."

#### AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, delete lines 14 through 23 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(2) The term "exclusive franchise" for purposes of this Subsection shall mean a contract for the collection and disposal of garbage and trash throughout the entirety of the territorial jurisdiction of the respective parish or municipality.

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

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

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 561—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:9038.77, relative to cooperative economic development in the city of New Orleans; to create an economic development district for the improvement and maintenance of the Lafitte Greenway; to provide for the governance, boundaries, and powers and duties of the district, including the authority in engage in tax increment financing; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

## HOUSE BILL NO. 575—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUGHES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 4(A) and (D) of Act No. 155 of the 1982 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the Orleans Parish Communications District; to provide relative to the district's board of commissioners; to provide relative to the executive director; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

## HOUSE BILL NO. 596—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1395(B) and to enact R.S. 33:1395(C), (D), and (E), relative to home rule charter commissions; to provide relative to the election of such commissions; to provide relative to the time period for calling the election; to provide relative to a petition submitted to the respective parish or municipality requesting the election; to provide relative to the requirements of the petition; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the parish registrar of voters with respect to the petition; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

## HOUSE BILL NO. 618—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BEAULLIEU, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, MCFARLAND, AND MELERINE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1127, 1201.1(A)(introductory paragraph), 1301, and 1306 and to enact R.S. 23:1201.1(K)(8)(a)(x), relative to workers' compensation; to provide for the right to reasonable access to medical information in workers' compensation claims through medical records release authorizations; to provide to the reporting of accidents; to provide for technical corrections; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

### HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original House Bill No. 618 by Representative Beaulieu

#### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 2 in its entirety and insert the following:

"To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1127, 1201.1(A)(introductory paragraph), 1301, and 1306 and to enact R.S. 23:1201.1(K)(8)(a)(x), relative to workers' compensation; to

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

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

"Section 1. R.S. 23:1127, 1201.1(A)(introductory paragraph), 1301, and 1306 are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 23:1201.1(K)(8)(a)(x) is hereby enacted to read as follows:"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 17 and 18 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"the contrary, the employer or the employer's representative may request that the employee sign and return a medical records release authorization on a form to be promulgated, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, by the office of workers' compensation.

(1) The employer or the employer's representative shall mail the request to the employee's last known mailing address.

(2) Within ten business days of mailing the request, the employee shall sign the medical records release authorization as requested and return it to the employer or the employer's representative as directed in the request.

(3) If the employee fails to sign and return the medical records release authorization as required by this Subsection, the employer may suspend payment of any benefits due pursuant to this Chapter. In the event benefits are suspended in accordance with this Subsection, the employer or the employer's representative shall prepare a "Notice of Modification, Suspension, Termination, or Controversion Form 1002" as provided for in R.S. 23:1201.1.

(4) Any suspension of benefits provided for in this Subsection shall be lifted upon the employee's compliance, at which time any accrued benefits due pursuant to this Chapter shall be paid retroactive to the date of suspension, without interest, costs, or fees."

#### AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete lines 1 through 13 in their entirety

#### AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, between lines 21 and 22, insert the following:

"§1201.1. Controversion of compensation and medical benefits

A. Upon the first payment of compensation or upon any modification, suspension, termination, or controversion of compensation or medical benefits for any reason, including but not limited to issues of medical causation, compensability of the claim,



or issues arising out of R.S. 23:1121, 1127, 1124, 1208, and 1226, the employer or payor who has been notified of the claim, shall do all of the following:

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\* \* \*

(8)(a) Upon motion of either party, whether or not the employer or payor is entitled to a preliminary determination, the workers' compensation judge's ruling in a hearing shall be conducted as an expedited summary proceeding and shall be considered an order of the court and not requiring a further trial on the merits, if it concerns any of the following matters:

\* \* \*

(x) The employee seeks to have a suspension of benefits for failure to comply with R.S. 23:1127 lifted.

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AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, delete lines 28 and 29 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"B. If notice is provided to the employer more than thirty days after the work accident, it shall do both of the following:"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 5, delete lines 5 through 9 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"C. Notwithstanding Subsection B of this Section, the notice provided for in Subsection A of this Section shall not be required when the employee or his dependent proves by clear and convincing evidence either of the following:

(1) The employer had actual knowledge of the alleged work accident within thirty days after the date of the injury or death.

(2) The employee or dependent was unable to provide the required notice due to circumstances outside of his control."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 5, line 26, after "In" and before "absence" insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 5, line 29, change "officer" to "office"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 6, line 19, after "occurrence" and before "or" insert the following:

"of the alleged work accident"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 6, after line 20, insert the following:

"Section 2. The medical record release authorization form required as enacted by Section 1 of this Act shall be promulgated in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act no later than January 1, 2025."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 635—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1501.9, relative to Caddo Parish Fire District No. 6; to authorize the district to levy a sales and use tax, subject to voter approval; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to Original House Bill No. 635 by Representative Bagley

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 12, after "of the" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 13 in its entirety and insert the following:

"qualified electors of the district voting on the proposition at an election held for that purpose and conducted in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code and held on a date that corresponds with an election date provided by R.S. 18:402(A)(1) or (B)(1)."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 5, insert the following:

"Section 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 40:1501.9(A) as enacted by this Act, the governing authority of Caddo Parish Fire District No. 6 may, in 2025 only, call the election provided for in R.S. 40:1501.9(A) on a date that corresponds with an election date provided by R.S. 18:402(F)."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 650—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FISHER

AN ACT

To enact Part XII of Title 19 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 19:382 through 391, relative to expropriation of property; to authorize the city of Monroe in Ouachita Parish to expropriate by a declaration of taking; to define terms; to provide for procedures; to provide for purposes of the expropriation; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 663—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREEN

AN ACT

To enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 195.2 and to repeal Code of Civil Procedure Article 195.1, relative to judicial proceedings; to provide for judicial proceedings conducted by remote technology; to provide for hearings; to provide for judge trials; to provide relative to notice of trial to all parties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported by substitute by the Committee on Judiciary.

The substitute was read by title as follows:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 969** (Substitute for House Bill No. 663 by Representative Green)—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 195.1, relative to judicial proceedings conducted by remote technology; to provide for hearings; to provide for judge trials; to require the court to give written reasons declining the remote appearance for good cause; to provide for the consent of the parties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Robert Carter, the substitute was adopted and became House Bill No. 969 by Rep. Green, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, as a substitute for House Bill No. 663 by Rep. Green.

Under the rules, lies over in the same order of business.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 690—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MARCELLE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9097.7(B), (C), and (F), relative to East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to the Melrose East Crime Prevention District; to provide relative to the boundaries, purpose, and powers and duties of the district; to provide relative to the imposition of a parcel fee within the district; to provide relative to the expiration and renewal of the fee; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 739—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2491 (introductory paragraph) and (I), 2492(2) and (11), 2494(A) and (D), 2496(1)(a)(i) and (iii), 2551 (introductory paragraph) and (9), 2552(1)(a) and (c), (2), and (11), 2554(A) and (D), and 2556(1)(a)(i) and (iii) and to enact R.S. 33:2481(B)(7) and 2541(B)(6), relative to the municipal fire and police civil service; to provide relative to certain positions in the classified service; to provide relative to the establishment and maintenance of employment lists; to provide relative to tests administered by the state examiner; to provide relative to the certification and appointment of eligible persons; to provide that certain officers, employees, and positions are in the unclassified service; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 754—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:842.4, relative to the establishment of the Complex Litigation Section Pilot Program in the Nineteenth Judicial District Court; to provide for definitions; to authorize the clerk of court of East Baton Rouge Parish to establish the Complex Litigation Section Pilot Program; to provide for additional filing fees in certain civil suits; to establish the Complex Litigation Section Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Judiciary.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to Original House Bill No. 754 by Representative LaFleur

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 17, after "The" and before "may" delete "clerk of court of East Baton Rouge Parish" and insert "Nineteenth Judicial District Court"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 22, after "shall" delete the remainder of the line and insert "collect all monies generated pursuant to this Section and forward them to the Nineteenth Judicial District Court for placement"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, at the beginning of line 23, delete "Section"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete line 26 in its entirety and insert "court shall keep accurate records, shall cause to be conducted an annual audit"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 27, after "to the fund" and before "and shall" insert a comma ","

On motion of Rep. Robert Carter, the amendments were adopted.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 757—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:991(A), relative to court costs; to provide relative to judicial expense funds of district courts; to provide relative to the judicial expense fund for the Nineteenth Judicial District Court; to increase filing fees and court costs in civil suits; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 759—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBBY CARTER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:621.21, relative to the Twenty-First Judicial District Court; to create an additional judgeship for the Twenty-First Judicial District Court; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 766—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:289, relative to educational benefits for beneficiaries of qualified veterans; to provide relative to educational benefits for children and spouses of qualified veterans; to provide relative to limitations on educational benefits; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 789—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:964(H), relative to court reporters for the Fourteenth Judicial District Court; to extend application of fees to all reported and transcribed cases; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Judiciary.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to Original House Bill No. 789 by Representative Bourriaque

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 9, after "cases" delete the remainder of the line, delete lines 10 through 13 in their entirety, and insert the following:

"a majority of the judges shall determine the amount of the fee which shall be paid to the court reporter for the transcription of each page of all testimony reported and transcribed and the amount of the fee per copy of each page of transcribed testimony. The provisions of this Section shall also apply to cases which are reported but not transcribed. Such fees shall be retained by"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 16, add the following:

"Section 2. In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 13:62, the change in court costs or fees as provided by this Act shall become effective if and when the Judicial Council provides a recommendation that such court costs or fees meet the applicable

guidelines in its report to the Louisiana Legislature. No fees shall be imposed or collected without Judicial Council approval."

On motion of Rep. Robert Carter, the amendments were adopted.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 807—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1510(A)(3), relative to fire protection districts and fire departments; to allow expenditure of public funds for awards and recognition; to establish service award eligibility for firefighters; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 812—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:556.3(B)(introductory paragraph), (5), and (6) and (C), (F), and (H), relative to the Louisiana Crawfish Promotion and Research Board; to provide for changes in the membership of the board; to provide relative to the terms of board members; to provide for changes in meeting requirements; and to provide for and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 863—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1034.2(A) and (C)(1) and (2), to enact R.S. 23:1034.2(C)(5), and to repeal R.S. 23:1034.2(C)(3), relative to workers' compensation; to provide for the adoption of a medical reimbursement schedule; to require that the fees be based on other similar regional states; to provide for the authority of the assistant secretary to promulgate the medical reimbursement schedule; to require certain duties of the assistant secretary; to provide for the collection of any necessary information and data under certain circumstances; to provide for legislative oversight; to repeal confidential and privilege requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original House Bill No. 863 by Representative Echols

AMENDMENT NO. 1

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On page 1, delete line 2 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1034.2(A) and (C)(1) and (2), to enact R.S. 23:1034.2(C)(5), and to repeal R.S. 23:1034.2(C)(3), relative to workers'"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 4 and 7 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"require that the fees be based on other similar regional states; to provide for the authority of the assistant secretary to promulgate the medical reimbursement schedule; to require certain duties of the assistant secretary; to provide for the collection of any necessary information and data under certain circumstances; to provide for legislative oversight; to repeal confidential and privilege requirements; and to provide for related matters."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 9 and 10 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 23:1034.2(A) and (C)(1) and (2) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 23:1034.2(C)(5) is hereby enacted to read as follows:"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 1, after "reimbursement" delete "shall include"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, delete lines 3 and 4 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"supplies shall be reasonable when compared to the workers' "

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, delete line 6 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"characteristics of surrounding states. Any"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, delete lines 12 through 28 in their entirety and on page 3, lines 1 through 3 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"(2) The assistant secretary shall ~~have the authority to collect the information and data necessary to calculate the reimbursement schedule.~~ do all of the following:

(a) Examine potential administrative and procedural relief for healthcare providers to ensure expedited care and payment.

(b) Examine potential processes for paperwork reductions for healthcare providers.

(c) Examine potential processes to expand medical markets for more access to patient care.

(d) Include and consider any and all additional external stakeholders and partners in calculating the reimbursement schedule.

(e) Collect information and data necessary to calculate the reimbursement schedule. The collection of information and data shall be governed by the following guidelines:

~~(a)~~(i) The assistant secretary shall create a written survey detailing the information requested.

~~(b)~~(ii) The survey shall be managed by the office of workers' compensation administration in conjunction with an academic institution.

~~(c)~~(iii) The information requested shall be based upon data at least six months old.

~~(d)~~(iv) There shall be a minimum of thirty health care providers reporting data upon which each disseminated statistic is based.

~~(e)~~(v) No individual health care provider's data shall represent more than twenty-five percent on a weighted basis of each statistic.

~~(f)~~(vi) Any information disseminated shall be sufficiently aggregated such that it will not allow recipients to identify the prices charged or compensation paid by any particular health care provider."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, delete lines 4 through 11 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

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(5) The office of workers' compensation administration shall report quarterly to the House and Senate committees on labor and industrial relations regarding the rate study and process and the committees shall have legislative oversight over the process.

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Section 2. R.S. 23:1034.2(C)(3) is hereby repealed in its entirety."

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 864— BY REPRESENTATIVE GREEN AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5304(B)(1) and (3) through (11), (J)(1) and (3), and (K), to enact R.S. 13:5304(B)(12) and (13), and to repeal R.S. 13:5304(B)(10.1), relative to the drug division probation program; to provide relative to conditions of drug division probation; to provide relative to eligibility for a drug division program; to provide relative to designated treatment professionals; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Judiciary.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to Original House Bill No. 864 by Representative Green

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 17, after "for" and before "eligibility" delete "legal"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, at the end of line 4, delete the colon ":" and insert "to determine eligibility and suitability for program admission:"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 20, after "undergo a" and before "screening" change "clinical" to "program"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, at the end of line 23, delete "and the" and insert a comma ","

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, at the end of line 24, change the period "." to a comma "," and insert "and the defendant's counsel."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, delete lines 17 and 18 in their entirety and insert "to participate in the program and undergo treatment. The court shall advise and the defendant shall be subject to the following:"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 4, delete lines 26 through 28 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 5, delete lines 1 through 5 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(b) Upon acceptance of the guilty plea, the defendant's case shall be transferred to the drug court division, where the defendant shall be under the supervision of the drug division probation program for a period not less than twelve months."

"(c) During drug division probation program supervision, the defendant may be required to receive long-term residential treatment, in-patient treatment, or community-based out-patient treatment based on a clinical assessment recommendation and approval by the drug division probation program judge."

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 5, delete lines 10 through 19 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(f) If the defendant successfully completes all requirements of the drug division probation program and all other requirements of his court-ordered probation, the judge may, on motion of the district attorney or the defendant, order the setting aside of the conviction and dismissal of prosecution within the provisions of Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 893 and 894."

"(g) If the defendant does not successfully complete the drug division probation program, the judge may revoke the probation and impose sentence, or the judge may revoke the probation and order the defendant to serve the sentence previously imposed and suspended."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 8, delete lines 3 through 10 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(b) If it is determined after screening that the defendant is not qualified for enrollment in the drug division probation program, reasons for that determination shall be provided to the defendant and made part of the record in his case."

"(c) The office of probation and parole or the district attorney may petition the court for immediate discharge of any individual who fails to comply with treatment program rules and treatment

expectations or who refuses to constructively engage in the treatment process."

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 8, delete lines 21 through 25 in their entirety and insert the following:

"K. Each drug division shall implement process and outcome measures promulgated by the Louisiana Supreme Court Drug and Specialty Court Office for assessing program effectiveness. Reports of progress and outcome measures shall be transmitted annually to the judicial administrator of the Supreme Court of Louisiana."

On motion of Rep. Robert Carter, the amendments were adopted.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 876—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 26:901(1)(f), relative to the regulation of certain products containing nicotine; to provide relative to the meaning of the term "alternative nicotine product" for purposes of such regulation; to exclude certain products from meaning of the term; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported by substitute by the Committee on Judiciary.

The substitute was read by title as follows:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 970** (Substitute for House Bill No. 876 by Representative Beaulieu)—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 26:901(36) and 926.2, relative to tobacco products; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to nicotine pouch products; to provide relative to the vapor product and alternative nicotine product directory; to exempt nicotine pouch products from the vapor product and alternative nicotine product directory; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Robert Carter, the substitute was adopted and became House Bill No. 970 by Rep. Beaulieu, on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary, as a substitute for House Bill No. 876 by Rep. Beaulieu.

Under the rules, lies over in the same order of business.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 881—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 25:652(A), relative to the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana; to provide relative to the membership of the council; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

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Amendments proposed by House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to Original House Bill No. 881 by Representative Beaulieu

## AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 2, delete "Louisiana Public Broadcasting" and insert "the Louisiana Educational Television Authority"

## AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 6, delete "be appointed from immersion schools" and insert "reside"

## AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 7, delete "be appointed from immersion schools" and insert "reside"

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

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

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 903—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE NEWELL  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 25:343(A), relative to the Louisiana State Museum; to provide relative to the position of museum director; to change the criteria for such position; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

### **HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to Original House Bill No. 903 by Representative Newell

## AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 9, after "a list of" and before "three candidates" insert "up to"

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

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

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 927—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE SELDERS  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4886, relative to parishes and municipalities; to provide relative to permits required by parishes and municipalities; to prohibit any parish or municipality from requiring a permit for certain services provided by an authorized utility provider; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

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

## **Senate Instruments on Second Reading Returned from the Legislative Bureau**

The following Senate Instruments on second reading, returned from the Legislative Bureau, were taken up and acted upon as follows:

### **SENATE BILL NO. 43—**

BY SENATOR MCMATH AND REPRESENTATIVE CARVER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1379.1.4(B)(2) and to enact R.S. 40:1379.1.4(F), relative to carrying of concealed firearms by qualified retired law enforcement officers; to provide for the definition of qualified retired law enforcement officer to include retired reserve officers; to provide for a definition of reserve officer; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

On motion of Rep. Villio, the bill was ordered passed to its third reading.

### **SENATE BILL NO. 71—**

BY SENATOR CLOUD  
AN ACT

To authorize and provide for the transfer of certain state property; to authorize the transfer of certain state property in Allen Parish; to provide for the property description; to provide for reservation of mineral rights; to provide terms and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

On motion of Rep. Geymann, the bill was ordered passed to its third reading.

### **SENATE BILL NO. 105—**

BY SENATOR SEABAUGH  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95.1(B) and (D), relative to the crime of possession of firearms or carrying concealed weapons by a person convicted of certain crimes; to make the crime applicable to a person convicted of any felony; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

On motion of Rep. Villio, the bill was ordered passed to its third reading.

### **SENATE BILL NO. 132—**

BY SENATOR MILLER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95.2.1(A) and 95.2.2(C)(2), relative to offenses affecting the public; to provide relative to the crimes of illegal carrying of a firearm at a parade and reckless discharge of a firearm at a parade; to provide relative to

penalties; to provide relative to exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

On motion of Rep. Villio, the bill was ordered passed to its third reading.

**SENATE BILL NO. 152—**

BY SENATOR MIGUEZ

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:2793.12(B) as enacted by Section 1 of Act 2 of the 2024 Second Extraordinary Session, R.S. 14:95(M), and R.S. 40:1379.3(I)(1) and (2) and the introductory paragraph of 1379.3(I)(3), relative to the illegal carrying of weapons; to provide relative to exceptions; to make technical changes; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 152 by Senator Miguez

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, after line 13, add the following:

"Section 4. This Act shall become effective on July 4, 2024; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval by the legislature or July 4, 2024, whichever is later."

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

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

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 194—**

BY SENATOR MIGUEZ

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1796, relative to preemption of state law; to provide relative to the regulation of firearms; to provide with respect to the authority of political subdivisions to regulate the sale, purchase, possession, ownership, transfer, transportation, license, or registration of firearms or ammunition; to provide relative to remedies; to provide relative to terms, conditions, and procedures; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

On motion of Rep. Villio, the bill was ordered passed to its third reading.

**SENATE BILL NO. 211—**

BY SENATOR LAMBERT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:325.1(A)(3)(b), relative to possession limits for certain fish; to provide for size limits for spotted sea trout and red drum; to provide for possession of fish fillets; to provide for the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

On motion of Rep. Geymann, the bill was ordered passed to its third reading.

**SENATE BILL NO. 214—**

BY SENATOR MIGUEZ

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95.5(C)(2), relative to the illegal carrying of weapons; to provide an exception for the lawful concealed carry of a handgun in a restaurant that serves alcoholic beverages; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 214 by Senator Miguez

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, after line 16, add the following:

"Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 4, 2024; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval by the legislature or July 4, 2024, whichever is later."

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

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

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 228—**

BY SENATOR MCMATH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 28:826(B)(1) and (2)(c) and (C)(1)(b) and R.S. 40:1046(H) and (L), 1046.2(A), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(B), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(B)(1), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(B)(1)(a), 1046.2(B)(1)(b) through (e), and (B)(2)(a), (C)(1), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(C)(2), and 1046.2(C)(2)(a) and (c), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(D), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(D)(1), and 1046.2(D)(2), (4), and (5), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(E) and 1046.2(E)(1), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(F), 1046.2(F)(1), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(F)(2), and 1046.2(F)(2)(b) and (3), (G), (H)(1) and (2) and the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(H)(3), and the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(I), the introductory paragraph of 1046.2(I)(1), and 1046.2(I)(1)(a) and (b), (2), and (3), and 1046.4(A)(1) and (3) and (C)(1) and (2) and to repeal

R.S. 28:826(B)(2)(d) and (C)(1)(c), relative to marijuana for therapeutic use; to provide for regulatory administration and licensing; to provide for the allocation of monies collected from the sale of therapeutic marijuana; to extend the sunset; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 228 by Senator McMath

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 5, delete lines 21 through 23 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 6, line 20, delete "~~Louisiana Department of Health department~~" insert "Louisiana Department of Health"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 7, line 2, delete "1950 as amended." and insert "1950."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 7, line 6, after "monthly" delete the remainder of the line, delete lines 7 through 13 and insert "basis for allocation in accordance with this Part."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 7, line 21, delete "department" and insert "Louisiana Department of Health"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 13, delete lines 13 through 16 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 13, line 17, change "Section 4." to "Section 3."

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

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

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 233—**  
BY SENATOR MIGUEZ

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1379.1.3(D) and (E) and 1379.1.4(F) and (G), relative to carrying of concealed firearms; to provide relative to carrying of concealed firearms by qualified law enforcement officers and qualified retired law enforcement officers; to provide relative to penalties for violation of concealed carry provisions; to provide relative to authority of attorney general to bring civil actions; to provide for court costs and attorney fees; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

On motion of Rep. Villio, the bill was ordered passed to its third reading.

**SENATE BILL NO. 295—**  
BY SENATOR CLOUD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1451, 1464(A)(2) and (D), and 1465(A)(2) and (B)(1) and to enact R.S. 22:1465(A)(4) and (D), relative to rate making; to provide for the process whereby the commissioner reviews rate filings; to provide for the approval of rate filings; to provide for certain rate filings to be deemed approved; to provide for incomplete or disapproved rate filings; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Insurance to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 295 by Senator Cloud

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 6, after "filings;" insert "to provide for effectiveness;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 21, delete "shall be" and insert "are"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 26, delete "be required to"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 27, after "changes for" insert "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 29, delete "enables" and insert "enable"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, line 1, delete "under" and insert "pursuant to"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, line 5, after "R.S. 22:1453" insert a period "." and delete the comma "," and the remainder of the line and on line 6, delete "a public hearing prior to determining a market to be noncompetitive."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 4, line 7, delete "under" and insert "pursuant to"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 4, delete lines 18 through 20 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"rate filing, specifying wherein he finds such specify the reasons why the rate filing fails to meet is not in compliance with the requirements



of this Subpart, and ~~stating that such~~ state that the rate filing shall ~~not become effective.~~ become ineffective as of

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 4, at the beginning of line 29, after "or" insert "is"

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

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

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 323—**

BY SENATORS TALBOT AND BASS  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1892(A)(3) and (4), (B)(1), and (H), to enact R.S. 22:1892(A)(7), (B)(7), (I), (J), and (K), and 1892.2, and to repeal R.S. 22:1973, relative to claims settlement practices; to provide definitions; to provide for loss adjustment; to provide for the payment of claims; to provide for practices following a catastrophe; to provide for good faith duty; to provide for breach of good faith duty; to provide for certain notices; to provide for penalties; to provide for causes of action; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Insurance to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 323 by Senator Talbot

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, change "definitions" to "for definitions"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 8, after "action;" insert "to provide for an effective date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 16, after "suspension" insert a semicolon ";" and "definitions"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 8, after "due" insert a comma ","

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 9, after "result of the" delete the remainder of the line and insert in lieu thereof "breach, as well as, in either instance,"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, line 3, delete "be applicable" and insert "apply"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 4, line 13, change "R.S. 47:2322." to "R.S. 47:2322."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 5, line 8, after "due" insert "to"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 6, line 26, delete "shall" and insert "does"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 6, line 29, delete "shall not be applicable" and insert "do not apply"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 8, line 5, change "cure period notice." to "cure period notice."

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 8, line 6, delete "through either a form provided" and insert in lieu thereof "provided through either a form transmitted"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 8, line 9, after "receives" insert "a"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 9, line 27, delete "shall not be applicable" and insert "do not apply"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 9, line 29, after "Chapter 10 of" delete the remainder of the line and insert in lieu thereof "this Title."

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 10, line 12, change "references to" to "references from"

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

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

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 370—**

BY SENATOR BASS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1265(D), to enact R.S. 22:1265(K) and (L), and to repeal R.S. 22:1265(F) and (H) and 1333(C) through (H), relative to the termination of certain policies; to provide for homeowners' policies in effect for three or more years; to provide for deductibles; to provide for the modification of coverages; to provide for certain notices; to provide for the termination of certain provisions of law; to repeal certain duplicative provisions of law; to make technical changes; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Insurance to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 370 by Senator Bass

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 5, after "coverages;" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 6 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof "to authorize

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insurers to file plans and requests with the commissioner of insurance relative to the nonrenewal of certain policies; to repeal"

## AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the end of line 7, change "provide an" to "provide for an"

## AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 7, change "modification" to "the modification of"

## AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete lines 8 and 9 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"homeowners' policies in this state. For the purposes of this Subsection, modification of coverage at the time of renewal shall not be deemed a cancellation or failure to renew a homeowner's insurance policy.

(2) For the purposes of this Subsection, an incident shall be deemed a claim only when there is a demand for payment by the insured or"

## AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, at the end of line 15, delete "For" and delete lines 16 through 18 in their entirety

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

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

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

## **SENATE BILL NO. 377—** BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

### AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95.1(A), relative to illegal possession of a firearm or concealed carry of a weapon; to prohibit possession of a firearm or carrying a concealed weapon by persons convicted of certain felonies; to provide for consideration of certain juvenile offenses; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

### **HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 377 by Senator Kleinpeter

## AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, at the beginning of line 7, change "(2)" to "(2)(a)"

## AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

"(b) The provisions of this Paragraph shall not apply to any person who has been accepted into military service as a member of any of the branches of the armed forces of the United States as

defined by 10 U.S.C. 101(a)(4), the reserve components of the armed forces of the United States as defined by 10 U.S.C. 10101, or the Louisiana National Guard."

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

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

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

## **SENATE BILL NO. 503** (Substitute of Senate Bill No. 275 by Senator Lambert)— BY SENATOR LAMBERT

### AN ACT

To enact Chapter 16-A of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 30:2383.1 through 2383.11, relative to air monitoring; to provide for creation of the community air monitoring; to provide for a purpose; to provide for standards for community air monitoring programs; to provide for data collection; to provide for applicability; to provide for definitions; to provide for program requirements; to provide for data communication; to provide for prohibited uses of data; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

### **HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 503 by Senator Lambert

## AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 1, after "establish" delete "state"

## AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, line 23, after "CFR" change "Part 50" to "Parts 50 and 58"

## AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, at the end of line 28, delete "the" and at the beginning of line 29, delete "most current" and insert "an"

## AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, line 1, after "the" delete "most current and best available" and at the beginning of line 2, delete "version of" and insert "latest revision to"

Reported without amendments by the Legislative Bureau.

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

On motion of Rep. Geymann, the bill, as amended, was ordered 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. 5—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:3383, relative to events hosted by public postsecondary education institutions; to provide relative to sales of goods, concessions, and merchandise; to provide relative to payments in such transactions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Owen to Engrossed House Bill No. 5 by Representative Owen

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the beginning of line 8, before "Each" insert "A."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 11, insert the following:

"B. Each institution may do at least one of the following at applicable events to comply with the provisions of this Section:

(1) Make a good faith effort to provide at least one point of sale that accepts cash.

(2) Make at least one reverse ATM available for the majority of the duration of an event. The reverse ATM shall allow patrons to convert cash into prepaid cards for use at points of sale.

C. The provisions of this Section do not apply to private events and events hosted by private organizations."

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

Rep. Owen moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Echols	McFarland
Amedee	Edmonston	McMakin
Bacala	Egan	Miller
Bamburg	Emerson	Moore
Bayham	Farnum	Muscarello
Beaullieu	Firment	Orgeron
Berault	Fontenot	Owen
Billings	Gadberry	Riser
Bourriaque	Galle	Romero
Boyer	Glorioso	Schamerhorn
Brass	Green	Schlegel
Bryant	Hebert	Selders
Butler	Henry	St. Blanc
Carlson	Horton	Tarver
Carpenter	Hughes	Taylor
Carrier	Johnson, M.	Thompson
Carter, R.	Johnson, T.	Turner
Carter, W.	Kerner	Ventrella
Chassion	LaFleur	Villio
Chenevert	Landry, J.	Walters
Coates	Landry, M.	Wilder
Cox	Mack	Wiley

Dewitt  
Dickerson  
Total - 72

Marcelle  
McCormick

Wright  
Young

NAYS

Boyd  
Braud  
Brown  
Carver  
Deshotel  
Domangue  
Fisher  
Freeman  
Total - 22

Freiberg  
Hilferty  
Illg  
Jackson  
Jordan  
Knox  
Lyons  
Mena

Myers  
Newell  
Phelps  
Stagni  
Thomas  
Willard

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker  
Bagley  
Crews  
Davis  
Total - 11

Geymann  
LaCombe  
Larvadain  
McMahan

Melerine  
Wyble  
Zeringue

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Owen 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. Green requested the House consent to correct his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 5 from nay to yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Moore requested the House consent to correct her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 5 from nay to yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 67—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOMANGUE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:95(H)(1) and (K)(1) and (2), relative to the crime of illegal carrying of weapons; to provide an exception to illegal carrying of weapons for certain persons; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Domangue to Engrossed House Bill No. 67 by Representative Domangue

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" and before the comma "," change "R.S. 14:95(H)(1) and (K)(1) and (2)" to "R.S. 14:95(H)(1) and (K)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 6, after "Section 1." and before "are" change "R.S. 14:95(H)(1) and (K)(1) and (2)" to "R.S. 14:95(H)(1) and (K)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 22, after "retired" delete the remainder of the line and insert "or former justice, judge, governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, treasurer, commissioner of agriculture, commissioner of insurance, attorney general,"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

"(3) (4) For the purposes of this Subsection:

(a) "Retired assistant United States attorney" or "retired federal investigator" means an assistant United States attorney or investigator receiving retirement benefits from the Federal Employees Retirement System.

(b) "Retired district attorney" or "retired assistant district attorney" means a district attorney or an assistant district attorney receiving retirement benefits from the District Attorneys' Retirement System.

(c) "Retired United States attorney" means a presidentially appointed United States attorney who separated from service in good standing."

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

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative McCormick to Engrossed House Bill No. 67 by Representative Domangue

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "(K)(1) and (2)" and before the comma "," insert "and to enact R.S. 14:95(H)(3)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after "persons;" and before "and" insert "to provide for a definition;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, at the beginning of line 7, insert "and R.S. 14:95(H)(3) is hereby enacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 4, after "presidents;" and before "from" change "and mayor-presidents" to "mayor-presidents; and law-abiding citizens"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

"(3) For the purposes of this Subsection, "law-abiding citizen shall mean any person who is not otherwise precluded under state law from possessing a firearm and shall not be construed to include anyone who is not legally present in the United States or the state of Louisiana."

\* \* \*

Rep. McCormick moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Domangue objected.

**Point of Order**

Rep. Thomas asked for a ruling from the Chair as to whether the above amendments were germane to the subject matter contained in the bill as introduced.

**Ruling of the Chair**

The Chair ruled that the above amendments were germane to the subject matter contained in the bill as introduced.

By a vote of 33 yeas and 61 nays, the amendments were rejected.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Crews requested the House consent to record his vote on the adoption of the amendments proposed by Rep. McCormick to House Bill No. 167 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative McCormick to Engrossed House Bill No. 67 by Representative Domangue

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "(K)(1) and (2)" and before the comma "," insert "and R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(11) and to enact R.S. 14:95(A)(4)(b)(iv) and (J)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after "persons;" and before "and" insert "to provide for an exception to the prohibited locations where a concealed handgun cannot be carried;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, at the beginning of line 7, insert "and R.S. 14:95(A)(4)(b)(iv) and (J) are hereby enacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:

"A. Illegal carrying of weapons is any of the following:

\* \* \*

(4)(a) The intentional possession or use by any person of a dangerous weapon on a school campus during regular school hours or on a school bus. "School" means any elementary, secondary, high school, or vo-tech school in this state and "campus" means all facilities and property within the boundary of the school property. "School bus" means any motor bus being used to transport children to and from school or in connection with school activities.

(b) The provisions of this Paragraph shall not apply to:

\* \* \*

(iv) Any certified teacher or administrator pursuant to Subsection J of this Section."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

"J. The provisions of this Section shall not prohibit the carrying of a concealed handgun in a school or on a school campus by any certified teacher or school administrator who is employed by a school district and possesses a valid concealed handgun permit pursuant to R.S. 40:1379.3."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, after line 18, add the following:

"Section 2. R.S. 40:1379.3(N)(11) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1379.3. Statewide permits for concealed handguns; application procedures; definitions

\* \* \*

N. No concealed handgun may be carried into and no concealed handgun permit issued pursuant to this Section shall authorize or entitle a permittee to carry a concealed handgun in any of the following:

\* \* \*

(11) Any school, school campus, or school bus as defined in R.S. 14:95.6, except as provided in R.S. 14:95(J).

\* \* \*

Point of Order

Rep. Jackson asked for a ruling from the Chair as to whether the above amendments were germane to the subject matter contained in the bill as introduced.

Ruling of the Chair

The Chair ruled that the above amendments were germane to the subject matter contained in the bill as introduced.

Rep. McCormick moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Domangue objected.

By a vote of 27 yeas and 67 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

- Adams Emerson Melerine
Bacala Farnum Mena
Bagley Firmed Miller
Bamburg Fisher Moore
Bayham Fontenot Muscarello
Beaullieu Freeman Myers
Berault Freiberg Newell
Billings Gadberry Orgeron
Bourriaque Glorioso Owen
Boyd Green Riser
Boyer Hebert Romero
Brass Henry Schlegel
Braud Hilferty Selders
Bryant Horton St. Blanc
Butler Hughes Stagni

- Carlson Illg Tarver
Carpenter Jackson Taylor
Carrier Johnson, M. Thomas
Carter, R. Johnson, T. Thompson
Carter, W. Jordan Turner
Carver Kerner Ventrella
Chassion Knox Villio
Chenevert LaFleur Walters
Coates Landry, J. Wilder
Cox Landry, M. Wiley
Davis Lyons Willard
Dewitt Mack Wright
Dickerson Marcelle Wyble
Domangue McFarland Young
Echols McMakin Zeringue

Total - 90

NAYS

- Amedee Egan Schamerhorn
Crews Galle
Edmonston McCormick

Total - 7

ABSENT

- Mr. Speaker Geymann McMahan
Brown LaCombe Phelps
Deshotel Larvadain

Total - 8

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Domangue 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.

Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Schamerhorn requested the House consent to correct his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 67 from yea to nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 189— BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:440.4(A)(5) and Children's Code Articles 323 and 326(A)(7) and to enact R.S. 15:440.2(D) and 440.4(C) and Children's Code Article 326(C), relative to the taped statements of a protected person; to provide for an additional person who is authorized to supervise the taking of a protected person's statement; to provide for a definition; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Willard moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

- Adams Edmonston Melerine
Amedee Egan Mena
Bacala Emerson Miller
Bagley Farnum Moore
Bamburg Firmed Muscarello
Bayham Fisher Myers
Beaullieu Fontenot Newell
Berault Freeman Orgeron

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

Total - 100

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	LaCombe	McMahan
Geymann	Larvadain	

Total - 5

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Willard 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. Gadberry requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 189 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 228—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:220.2, relative to disposition of a motor vehicle used in a criminal offense; to provide for the seizure and impoundment of a motor vehicle in certain circumstances; to provide for a definition; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Muscarello, Jr. sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Muscarello to Engrossed House Bill No. 228 by Representative Bayham

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

"B. The provisions of this Section shall only apply to a person who is convicted of a felony crime of violence as provided in R.S. 14:2(B)."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 13, change "B." to "C."

On motion of Rep. Muscarello, Jr., the amendments were adopted.

Rep. Muscarello, Jr. sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Muscarello to Engrossed House Bill No. 228 by Representative Bayham

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 12, after "case" and before the period "." insert "and shall pay a fine of not more than five hundred dollars".

On motion of Rep. Muscarello, Jr., the amendments were withdrawn.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Echols	Orgeron
Bacala	Edmonston	Owen
Bagley	Egan	Riser
Bayham	Emerson	Schamerhorn
Beaulieu	Firment	Schlegel
Billings	Galle	St. Blanc
Boyer	Glorioso	Tarver
Butler	Hebert	Thompson
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Wiley
Carver	Landry, J.	Wright
Deshotel	McMakin	Zeringue
Dickerson	Mena	

Total - 35

NAYS

Amedee	Farnum	McCormick
Bamburg	Fisher	Melerine
Berault	Fontenot	Miller
Boyd	Freeman	Moore
Brass	Freiberg	Muscarello
Braud	Gadberry	Myers
Brown	Green	Newell
Bryant	Henry	Phelps
Carlson	Hilferty	Romero
Carpenter	Illg	Stagni
Carrier	Jackson	Taylor
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Thomas
Chenevert	Jordan	Turner
Coates	Kerner	Ventrella
Cox	Knox	Villio
Crews	LaFleur	Walters
Davis	Landry, M.	Willard
Dewitt	Mack	Wyble
Domangue	Marcelle	

Total - 56

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Hughes	McMahan
Bourriaque	LaCombe	Selders
Chassion	Larvadain	Wilder
Geymann	Lyons	Young
Horton	McFarland	
Total - 14		

The Chair declared the above bill failed to pass.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Jacob Landry requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 228 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 340—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES PHELPS, CHENEVERT, DAVIS, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, FREEMAN, LAFLEUR, MARCELLE, MOORE, TAYLOR, AND WALTERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:172, relative to schools; to require local public school governing authorities to adopt rules relative to the development and implementation of a tracking system for parental complaints; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Phelps moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Dickerson	McCormick
Amedee	Domangue	McMakin
Bacala	Echols	Melerine
Bagley	Edmonston	Mena
Bamburg	Egan	Miller
Bayham	Emerson	Moore
Beaullieu	Farnum	Muscarello
Berault	Firment	Myers
Billings	Fisher	Newell
Bourriaque	Fontenot	Orgeron
Boyd	Freeman	Owen
Boyer	Freiberg	Phelps
Brass	Gadberry	Riser
Braud	Galle	Romero
Brown	Glorioso	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Green	Schlegel
Butler	Hebert	St. Blanc
Carlson	Henry	Stagni
Carpenter	Hilferty	Taylor
Carrier	Horton	Thomas
Carter, R.	Illg	Thompson
Carter, W.	Jackson	Turner
Carver	Johnson, T.	Ventrella
Chassion	Jordan	Villio
Chenevert	Kerner	Walters
Coates	Knox	Wilder
Cox	LaFleur	Wiley
Crews	Landry, J.	Willard
Davis	Lyons	Wright
Deshotel	Mack	Young
Dewitt	Marcelle	Zeringue
Total - 93		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	LaCombe	McMahan
Geymann	Landry, M.	Selders
Hughes	Larvadain	Tarver
Johnson, M.	McFarland	Wyble
Total - 12		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Phelps 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.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Chenevert requested the House consent to record her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 340 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 363—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:436.5 and 3996(B)(82), relative to school nurses; to require local public school boards to adopt policies requiring school nurses to participate in a training program relative to sickle cell disease; to specify that the training include information on caring for students with sickle cell disease at school; to require the Louisiana Sickle Cell Commission to provide training materials to the state Department of Education and to require the department to make it available to school boards; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Phelps to Engrossed House Bill No. 363 by Representative Phelps

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, at the end of line 22, change "R.S. 17:236.5." to "R.S. 17:436.5."

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

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Edmonston	Mena
Amedee	Emerson	Miller
Bacala	Farnum	Moore
Bagley	Firment	Muscarello
Bamburg	Fisher	Myers
Bayham	Fontenot	Newell
Beaullieu	Freeman	Orgeron
Berault	Freiberg	Owen
Billings	Gadberry	Phelps
Bourriaque	Galle	Riser
Boyd	Geymann	Romero
Boyer	Glorioso	Schamerhorn
Brass	Green	Schlegel
Braud	Hebert	Selders

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Brown	Henry	St. Blanc
Bryant	Horton	Stagni
Butler	Hughes	Tarver
Carlson	Illg	Taylor
Carpenter	Jackson	Thomas
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Thompson
Carter, R.	Jordan	Turner
Carter, W.	Kerner	Ventrella
Carver	Knox	Villio
Chassion	LaFleur	Walters
Chenevert	Landry, J.	Wilder
Coates	Landry, M.	Wiley
Cox	Lyons	Willard
Davis	Mack	Wright
Deshotel	Marcelle	Wyble
Dewitt	McCormick	Young
Dickerson	McMakin	Zeringue
Echols	Melerine	

Total - 95

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Hilferty	McFarland
Crews	Johnson, M.	McMahan
Domangue	LaCombe	
Egan	Larvadain	

Total - 10

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Phelps 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. 443—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES COATES, AMEDEE, BERAULT, BILLINGS, CHENEVERT, DAVIS, DICKERSON, FREEMAN, LAFLEUR, MOORE, PHELPS, TAYLOR, AND WALTERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(8) and (39) and to enact R.S. 15:440.7 and 440.8 and Children's Code Articles 328.1 and 328.2, relative to records of protected persons; to provide procedures for subpoenas of videos of protected persons; to provide an exception to the Public Records Law; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Coates to Reengrossed House Bill No. 443 by Representative Coates

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 27, after "may" and before "pursuant" change "only be made" to "be made only"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, line 13, after "may" and before "pursuant" change "only be made" to "be made only"

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

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

Total - 98

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Larvadain	Mena
Hilferty	McFarland	
LaCombe	McMahan	

Total - 7

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Coates 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. 545—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE AMEDEE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:106(D)(2)(d), relative to the crime of obscenity; to provide relative to applicability of this crime; to provide relative to the definition of "recognized and established schools"; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

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



**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Amedee gave notice of her intention to call House Bill No. 545 from the calendar on Monday, April 29, 2024.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 601—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:8.1(F), relative to teachers; to authorize the principal of each public school to notify parents upon a child's assignment to the classroom of a temporary, uncertified teacher or a teacher who has a nonstandard teaching certificate or has been granted authorization to teach; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Carpenter moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Adams	Egan	McMakin
Amedee	Emerson	Melerine
Bacala	Farnum	Mena
Bagley	Firment	Miller
Bamburg	Fisher	Moore
Bayham	Fontenot	Myers
Beaullieu	Freeman	Newell
Berault	Freiberg	Orgeron
Billings	Gadberry	Owen
Bourriaque	Galle	Phelps
Boyd	Geymann	Riser
Boyer	Glorioso	Schamerhorn
Brass	Green	Schlegel
Braud	Hebert	Selders
Brown	Henry	St. Blanc
Bryant	Horton	Stagni
Butler	Hughes	Tarver
Carpenter	Illg	Taylor
Carrier	Jackson	Thomas
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Thompson
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Turner
Chassion	Jordan	Ventrella
Chenevert	Kerner	Villio
Coates	Knox	Walters
Cox	LaFleur	Wilder
Crews	Landry, J.	Wiley
Davis	Landry, M.	Willard
Deshotel	Lyons	Wright
Dewitt	Mack	Wyble
Dickerson	Marcelle	Young
Echols	McCormick	Zeringue
Edmonston	McFarland	
Total - 95		

**NAYS**

Total - 0

**ABSENT**

Mr. Speaker	Hilferty	Muscarello
Carlson	LaCombe	Romero
Carver	Larvadain	
Domangue	McMahen	
Total - 10		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Carpenter 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.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Mandie Landry requested the House consent to record her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 601 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 603—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1852(A)(introductory paragraph) and (7) and 1856.1(B)(introductory paragraph) and (2)(b), relative to claims of pharmacies and pharmacists; to modify definitions; to provide relative to pharmacy record audits; 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. 603 by Representative Firment

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, delete "(A)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 7, delete "(A)"

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

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Adams	Domangue	McMakin
Amedee	Echols	Melerine
Bacala	Edmonston	Miller
Bagley	Egan	Moore
Bamburg	Emerson	Muscarello
Bayham	Farnum	Myers
Beaullieu	Firment	Orgeron
Berault	Fisher	Owen
Billings	Fontenot	Riser
Bourriaque	Freiberg	Romero
Boyd	Gadberry	Schamerhorn
Boyer	Galle	Schlegel
Brass	Glorioso	St. Blanc
Braud	Hebert	Stagni
Brown	Henry	Tarver
Butler	Horton	Thomas
Carlson	Illg	Thompson
Carrier	Jackson	Turner
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Ventrella
Carver	Johnson, T.	Villio
Chassion	Kerner	Walters
Chenevert	Knox	Wilder

Coates	LaFleur	Wiley
Cox	Landry, J.	Wright
Crews	Landry, M.	Wyble
Davis	Lyons	Young
Deshotel	Mack	Zeringue
Dewitt	McCormick	
Dickerson	McFarland	
Total - 85		

NAYS

Bryant	Hughes	Phelps
Carpenter	Jordan	Selders
Carter, W.	Marcelle	Taylor
Freeman	Mena	Willard
Green	Newell	
Total - 14		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Hilferty	Larvadain
Geymann	LaCombe	McMahan
Total - 6		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Firment 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. Mandie Landry requested the House consent to record her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 603 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Lyons requested the House consent to correct his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 603 from nay to yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 836—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:1410.60(C)(1), relative to local government finance; to provide relative to incurring of indebtedness by political subdivisions, taxing districts, and political or public corporations; to provide relative to the meaning of the terms "debt" and "evidence of debt" for purposes of such indebtedness; to exclude certain agreements and obligations from the meaning of such terms; to specify circumstances in which State Bond Commission approval of certain financing transactions is required; to provide for retroactive application; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

Motion

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

Notice of Intention to Call

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. McFarland gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 836 from the calendar on Tuesday, April 23, 2024.

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. 400 from the calendar on Wednesday, April 24, 2024.

Suspension of the Rules

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

Introduction of Resolutions,  
House and House Concurrent

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 128—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILFORD CARTER  
A RESOLUTION

To commend Reverend Elmore Garner and First Lady Renae' Ussin Garner for thirty-two years of dedicated service to Mt. Calvary Baptist Church.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 129—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILFORD CARTER  
A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Katherine Weldon Jean.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 130—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT  
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to find ways to increase youth use of Wildlife Management Areas (WMA's).

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on  
Civil Law and Procedure

April 22, 2024

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 742, by Marcelle  
Reported favorably. (13-0-1)

House Bill No. 783, by McCormick  
Reported with amendments. (11-0-1)

House Bill No. 833, by Davis  
Reported with amendments. (12-0-1)

Senate Bill No. 16, by Pressly  
Reported favorably. (12-0-1)

Senate Bill No. 35, by Morris, Jay  
Reported favorably. (11-0-1)

Senate Bill No. 39, by Mizell  
Reported favorably. (13-0-1)

Senate Bill No. 41, by Morris, Jay  
Reported favorably. (9-4-1)

Senate Bill No. 333, by Morris, Jay  
Reported with amendments. (11-0-1)

NICHOLAS MUSCARELLO, JR.  
Chairman

The above Senate Bills reported favorably or with amendments were referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Report of the Committee on  
Commerce

April 22, 2024

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 577, by Carver  
Reported with amendments. (18-0)

House Bill No. 835, by McFarland  
Reported favorably. (16-0)

House Bill No. 930, by Ventrella  
Reported favorably. (14-4)

House Bill No. 954, by Mena  
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 959, by Deshotel  
Reported by substitute. (15-0)

DARYL ANDREW DESHOTEL  
Chairman

Report of the Committee on  
Transportation, Highways and Public Works

April 22, 2024

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 685, by Wright  
Reported by substitute. (11-0)

House Bill No. 923, by Boyer  
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

House Bill No. 936, by Zeringue  
Reported with amendments. (7-6)

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 18, by Hodges

Reported favorably. (12-0)

Senate Bill No. 98, by McMath  
Reported favorably. (12-0)

Senate Bill No. 102, by Miguez  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

Senate Bill No. 169, by Womack  
Reported favorably. (9-0)

Senate Bill No. 199, by Coussan  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

Senate Bill No. 215, by Fesi  
Reported favorably. (10-0)

Senate Bill No. 220, by Kleinpeter  
Reported with amendments. (11-0)

Senate Bill No. 236, by Foil  
Reported favorably. (10-0)

Senate Bill No. 302, by Cathey  
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

Senate Bill No. 379, by Miguez  
Reported favorably. (14-0)

Senate Bill No. 389, by Price  
Reported favorably. (10-0)

RYAN BOURRIAQUE  
Chairman

The above Senate Bills reported favorably or with amendments, except Senate Bill No. 215, were referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Report of the Committee on  
Ways and Means

April 22, 2024

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 2, by Emerson  
Reported with amendments. (14-0)

House Bill No. 3, by Emerson  
Reported favorably. (14-0) (Special Order #3 for 04/25/24)

JULIE EMERSON  
Chairman

### Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Emerson, 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:

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HOUSE BILL NO. 2—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON  
AN ACT

To provide with respect to the capital outlay budget and the capital outlay program for state government, state institutions, and other public entities; to provide for the designation of projects and improvements; to provide for the financing thereof making appropriations from certain sources; 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. 2 by Representative Emerson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 9, line 53, after "\$220,000 of the" and before "appropriation," delete "P1" and insert "Priority 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 11, delete lines 51 and 52 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 5	\$ 2,350,000
Payable from Federal Funds	\$16,925,500
Total	<u>\$24,942,100</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 14, delete lines 26 and 27 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 5	\$22,500,000
Total	<u>\$23,994,420</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 17, between lines 36 and 37, insert the following:

"Provided, however, that the Department of Transportation and Development shall use up to \$2,500,000 of the appropriations from Transportation Trust Fund – Regular to fund the replacement of five bridges along LA 1232 between Highway 156 and Highway 501 in Winn Parish."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 29, line 16, delete "LouisianaState" and insert "Louisiana State"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 34, delete line 20 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1	\$ 3,000,000
Priority 5	\$ 3,000,000
Total	<u>\$ 6,000,000</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 39, delete lines 30 and 31 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 5	\$22,250,000
Total	<u>\$22,958,373</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 44, between lines 29 and 30, insert the following:

"(572622) Larose to Golden Meadow Hurricane Protection System Improvements and Data Monitoring, Planning and Construction (Lafourche) Payable from General Obligation Bonds Priority 5	\$ 400,000"
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AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 49, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

"(572355) Beaver Lake Industrial Park: A Strategic Initiative for Dock Expansion, Road Accessibility, and Utility Services, Planning and Construction (Rapides) Payable from General Obligation Bonds Priority 5	\$20,000,000"
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AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 49, line 15, delete "Construction and Planning" and insert "Planning and Construction"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 51, delete line 43 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1	\$ 500,000
Priority 5	\$ 1,000,000
Total	<u>\$ 1,500,000</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 52, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

"(572655) US Hwy 71 Four Lane Extension/Colleen Drive Improvements, Planning and Construction (Bossier) Payable from General Obligation Bonds Priority 5	\$ 4,580,000"
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AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 52, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

"(572662) Improvements to LA Highway 3 (Benton Road) and I-220 Interchange, Planning and Construction (Bossier) Payable from General Obligation Bonds Priority 5	\$ 4,000,000"
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AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 52, at the beginning of line 18, delete "lanning" and insert "Planning"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 52, between lines 33 and 34, insert the following:

**"50/J15 CONCORDIA PARISH**

(572969) Roadway Reconstruction, Doty Road,  
 Planning and Construction  
 (Concordia)  
 Payable from General Obligation  
 Bonds  
 Priority 5 \$ 1,800,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 53, between lines 32 and 33, insert the following:

**"50/J22 GRANT PARISH**

(572949) Landfill Road Improvements,  
 Planning and Construction  
 (Grant)  
 Payable from General Obligation  
 Bonds  
 Priority 5 \$ 765,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 54, at the beginning of line 14, delete "Priority 5" and insert "Priority 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 54, delete lines 26 and 27 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1	\$ 7,291,250
Priority 5	<u>\$14,090,000"</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 54, delete lines 42 through 44 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1	\$ 1,100,000
Priority 5	\$ 7,000,000
Total	<u>\$ 8,100,000"</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 55, delete lines 46 and 47 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1	\$ 500,000
Priority 5	<u>\$ 4,650,000"</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 61, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

"(572958) Elkins Road Improvements,  
 Planning,  
 Right-of-Way, and Construction  
 (Ouachita)  
 Payable from General Obligation  
 Bonds  
 Priority 5 \$ 1,535,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 63, delete lines 26 and 27 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 5	\$11,900,000
Total	<u>\$12,879,708"</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 63, at the end of line 32, delete "5,000,000" and insert "500,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 63, delete lines 47 and 48 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1	\$ 2,500,000
Priority 5	<u>\$ 2,500,000"</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 66, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

"(573363) Hwy 1088/I-12 AML Corridor  
 Initiative,  
 Planning and Construction  
 (St. Tammany)  
 Payable from General Obligation  
 Bonds  
 Priority 5 \$ 5,625,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 67, delete lines 45 through 47 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 5	<u>\$ 2,125,000"</u>
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AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 68, delete lines 5 and 6 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1	\$ 1,811,000
Priority 5	<u>\$ 4,035,000"</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 68, between lines 21 and 22, insert the following:

"(572065) Tom Beckom Road Improvements,  
 Planning and Construction  
 (Vernon)  
 Payable from General Obligation  
 Bonds  
 Priority 5 \$ 900,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 68, between lines 28 and 29, insert the following:

"(572070) East Hawthorne Road  
 Improvements,  
 Planning and Construction  
 (Vernon)  
 Payable from General Obligation  
 Bonds  
 Priority 5 \$ 1,800,000"

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AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 69, after line 49, insert the following:

**"50/M01 ABBEVILLE**

(573382) Street and Sidewalk Improvements,  
Planning and Construction  
(Vermilion)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 1,125,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 31

On page 71, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

**"50/M17 BASILE**

(572425) Re-Coating of Elevated Water Tank,  
Planning and Construction  
(Evangeline)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 565,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 32

On page 71, between lines 32 and 33, insert the following:

**"50/M22 BENTON**

(572867) Wastewater Collection  
Improvements (Courthouse  
Subbasin),  
Planning and Construction  
(Bossier)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 3,400,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 33

On page 72, delete lines 26 and 27 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 5 \$ 4,000,000  
Total \$ 7,842,500"

AMENDMENT NO. 34

On page 73, delete lines 6 through 9 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 5 \$ 6,000,000  
Payable from State General Fund  
(Direct) Non-Recurring  
Revenues \$ 1,000,000  
Total \$ 7,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 35

On page 73, line 32, delete "Priority 5" and insert "Priority 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 36

On page 74, between lines 32 and 33, insert the following:

**"50/M65 DERIDDER**

(571889) Wastewater Treatment Plant  
Improvements,

Planning and Construction  
(Beauregard)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 900,000

(571891) Disposal Facility,  
Planning and Construction  
(Beauregard)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 750,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 37

On page 75, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

**"50/M83 EUNICE**

(572869) Renovations to City Hall/  
Police Department,  
Planning and Construction  
(St. Landry)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 990,000

(573533) Sewer Collection System  
Rehabilitation,  
Planning and Construction  
(St. Landry)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 1,035,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 38

On page 76, delete line 30 in its entirety and insert "Planning and Construction"

AMENDMENT NO. 39

On page 76, delete lines 33 and 34 and insert the following:

"Priority 1 \$ 237,208  
Priority 5 \$ 2,505,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 40

On page 77, between lines 28 and 29, insert the following:

"(573050) Historic Downtown Hammond  
Lighting Project,  
Planning and Construction  
(Tangipahoa)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 540,000

(573055) Land Clearing and Wetlands  
Mitigation for the  
Hammond Airport,  
Planning and Construction  
(Tangipahoa)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 400,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 41

On page 78, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following:

**"50/MC7 HESSMER**

(573285) Water System Improvements,  
Planning and Construction  
(Avoyelles)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 860,000"

**AMENDMENT NO. 42**

On page 78, between 19 and 20, insert the following:

"(573496) Wastewater Collection System  
Inflow and Infiltration (I&I),  
Planning and Construction  
(Claiborne)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 5,220,000

(573502) Wastewater Treatment Plant,  
Planning and Construction  
(Claiborne)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 360,000"

**AMENDMENT NO. 43**

On page 78, delete line 32 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1	\$ 42,435
Priority 5	\$ 1,050,000
Total	<u>\$ 1,092,435</u>

**50/MD5 INDEPENDENCE**

(573151) Water Line Replacement,  
Planning and Construction  
(Tangipahoa)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 120,000

**50/MD6 IOTA**

(573025) Street Improvements,  
Planning and Construction  
(Acadia)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 1,625,000

(573026) Belt Press System for Sanitary  
Sewerage Sludge Treatment,  
Planning and Construction  
(Acadia)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 1,680,000"

**AMENDMENT NO. 44**

On page 81, between lines 36 and 37, insert the following:

**"50/MH6 MADISONVILLE**

(572144) Wastewater Collection and  
Treatment System  
Improvements,  
Planning and Construction

(St. Tammany)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 2,000,000"

**AMENDMENT NO. 45**

On page 82, delete lines 5 and 6 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1	\$ 765,000
Priority 5	<u>\$ 600,000"</u>

**AMENDMENT NO. 46**

On page 82, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

**"50/MJ2 MERMENEAU**

(573027) Street Improvements,  
Planning and Construction  
(Acadia)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 435,000"

**AMENDMENT NO. 47**

On page 82, delete lines 13 through 15 and insert the following:

"Priority 1	<u>\$ 3,445,100"</u>
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**AMENDMENT NO. 48**

On page 82, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

"(572124) Booker T. Washington  
Stormwater System  
Evaluation and Upgrades,  
Planning and Construction  
(Ouachita)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 3,030,000"

**AMENDMENT NO. 49**

On page 82, line 26, after "Bayou" and before "Enhancement" insert "Watershed"

**AMENDMENT NO. 50**

On page 82, after line 51, insert the following:

**"50/MK2 MORGAN CITY**

(572794) LA Highway 182 Resurfacing,  
Planning and Construction  
(St. Mary)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 6,000,000

(572800) LA Highway 70 Resurfacing  
and Drainage Repairs,  
Planning and Construction  
(St. Mary)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 5,460,000"

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AMENDMENT NO. 51

On page 83, line 5, delete "Priority 5" and insert "Priority 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 52

On page 83, delete lines 24 through 27 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 5 Payable from State General Fund (Direct) Non-Recurring Revenues Total	\$ 3,750,000     <u>\$ 400,000</u> <u>\$ 4,150,000"</u>
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AMENDMENT NO. 53

On page 84, delete lines 35 and 36 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 Priority 5	\$ 1,250,000 <u>\$ 7,750,000"</u>
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AMENDMENT NO. 54

On page 85, delete line 42 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 Priority 5 Total	\$ 2,250,000 <u>\$ 1,000,000</u> <u>\$ 3,250,000"</u>
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AMENDMENT NO. 55

On page 86, line 45, delete "Priority 5" and insert "Priority 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 56

On page 88, line 24, delete "Priority 5" and insert "Priority 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 57

On page 88, delete line 48 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 Priority 5 Total	\$ 2,800,000 <u>\$ 695,000</u> <u>\$ 3,495,000"</u>
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AMENDMENT NO. 58

On page 89, at the beginning of line 9, delete "(573731)" and insert "(572891)"

AMENDMENT NO. 59

On page 89, at the beginning of line 10, after "Extension," and before "Planning" insert "including Utilities,"

AMENDMENT NO. 60

On page 89, delete lines 13 through 15 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 Priority 5 Total	\$ 1,238,750 <u>\$ 1,890,000</u> <u>\$ 3,128,750"</u>
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AMENDMENT NO. 61

On page 90, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

"50/MR9 SLIDELL

(573515) Replace Sewer Force Main,  
Lindberg PS to WWTP,  
Planning and Construction  
(St. Tammany)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5

\$ 3,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 62

On page 90, line 22, delete "Priority 5" and insert "Priority 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 63

On page 90, delete lines 27 and 28 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 Priority 5	\$ 5,522,383 <u>\$ 4,137,500"</u>
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AMENDMENT NO. 64

On page 91, delete lines 12 and 13 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 Priority 5	\$ 1,932,500 <u>\$ 4,400,000"</u>
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AMENDMENT NO. 65

On page 91, after line 47, insert the following:

"50/MU5 VINTON

(572360) Water Plant Improvements,  
Planning and Construction  
(Calcasieu)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5

\$ 1,800,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 66

On page 92, line 19, delete "Priority 5" and insert "Priority 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 67

On page 92, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

"(571900) Cotton Street Improvements  
and Sidewalks,  
Planning and Construction  
(Ouachita)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5

\$ 1,350,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 68

On page 92, delete lines 24 through 29 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 Priority 5 Total	\$ 1,000,000 <u>\$ 4,000,000</u> <u>\$ 5,000,000"</u>
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AMENDMENT NO. 69

On page 93, between lines 26 and 27, insert the following:

"(572548) Riverboat Landing, Phase III,  
Planning and Construction



(Jefferson)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 1,205,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 70

On page 93, at the end of line 49, delete "3,885,000" and insert "1,500,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 71

On page 94, delete line 13 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 \$ 2,385,000  
Priority 5 \$ 1,495,000  
Total \$ 3,880,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 72

On page 95, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

"(572817) Wax Road, LA 3034, Extension,  
Planning and Construction  
(East Baton Rouge)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 1,600,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 73

On page 100, after line 48, insert the following:

**"50/NCRLAFAYETTE PARISH WATERWORKS DISTRICT-NORTH**  
  
(572616) Water Filtration Plant Construction  
(Lafayette)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 8,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 74

On page 101, delete line 41 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 \$ 1,000,000  
Priority 5 \$ 4,200,000  
Total \$ 5,200,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 75

On page 104, delete lines 14 through 19 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 76

On page 104, after line 46, insert the following:

**"50/NJK REDDELL VIDRINE WATER DISTRICT**  
  
(573392) Refurbishment of Water Wells  
and New Office Building,  
Planning and Construction  
(Evangeline)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 960,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 77

On page 105, delete line 6 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Priority 1 \$ 1,900,000  
Priority 5 \$ 1,000,000  
Total \$ 2,900,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 78

On page 106, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

**"50/NNN CALCASIEU CONSOLIDATED GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1**

(572391) Lateral W-3 Improvements,  
Planning and Construction  
(Calcasieu)  
Payable from General Obligation  
Bonds  
Priority 5 \$ 5,850,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 79

On page 107, line 33, delete "Priority 5" and insert "Priority 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 80

On page 126, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

"(14) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, any previous capital outlay act to the contrary, or any other provision of law, the scope of the appropriations made in this or any other capital outlay act for the LA 93 Roadway Improvements - I-10 Ramp to Renaud Drive, Planning and Construction project for Scott shall be deemed to include the planning and design of the Roundabout at Exit 97 Westbound, Planning, Construction, and Land Acquisition project for Scott and the planning and design of the Roundabout at LA 93 and Renaud Drive, Planning, Construction, and Land Acquisition for Scott.

(15) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, any previous capital outlay act to the contrary, or any other provision of law, the scope of the appropriations made in this or any other capital outlay act for the Water and Sewer Line Installation along Apollo Road Extension, Planning and Construction project for Scott shall be deemed to include the placement of water and sewer line utilities along the roadway.

(16) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, any previous capital outlay act to the contrary, or any other provision of law, the scope of the appropriations made in this or any other capital outlay act for the Youngs Bayou Enhancement of Channel Capacity, Planning and Construction project for Monroe shall be deemed to include streams and contributing tributaries flowing into the Young's Bayou Watershed.

(17) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, any previous capital outlay act to the contrary, or any other provision of law, the scope of the appropriations made in this or any other capital outlay act for the Central Louisiana State Hospital Relocation to Pinecrest project for the Office of Behavioral Health shall be deemed to include new construction and renovations of buildings.

(18) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, any previous capital outlay act to the contrary, or any other provision of law, the scope of the appropriations made in this or any other capital outlay act for the New Education Building project for the Opportunities Industrialization Center Incorporated of Ouachita shall be deemed to include new construction and renovations of buildings.

(19) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, any previous capital outlay act to the contrary, or any other provision of law, the scope of the appropriations made in this or any other capital outlay act for the New Orleans Emergency Shelter project for Eden

House shall be deemed to include acquisitions, renovations, and new construction of other Eden House facilities statewide.

(20) The following revisions are hereby made to Act 465 of the 2023 Regular Legislative Session of the Louisiana Legislature for the purpose of transferring the projects listed below to the appropriate agency:

(a) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, including the provisions of the Capital Outlay Act, the appropriation to 50/NC2 BATON ROUGE RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION for The Inspiration Center – Howell Community Park (East Baton Rouge) project is hereby amended and reenacted to 50/R01 BATON ROUGE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION.

(b) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, including the provisions of the Capital Outlay Act, the appropriation to 50/N34 ODYSSEY HOUSE LOUISIANA, INC. for the Odyssey House Louisiana Gambling Treatment Center (Orleans) project is hereby amended and reenacted to 09/304 METROPOLITAN HUMAN SERVICES DISTRICT."

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

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

**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. Myers, the Committee on Appropriations was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 896.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 896—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MYERS

AN ACT

To enact Part VI of Subchapter D of Chapter 5-D of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1221.1, and Part X of Subchapter D of Chapter 5-D of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1227.1 through 1227.8, relative to the Louisiana Remote Patient Monitoring Program Law; to provide a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide definitions; to provide for remote monitoring services under certain circumstances; to require remote patient monitoring services to be a covered service under Medicaid; to allow the use of remote patient monitoring services for certain patients; to establish qualifications for patients who are permitted to use remote patient monitoring services; to require certain equipment and network provisions; to require a procedure code for reimbursement; to provide for reimbursement eligibility; to require the promulgation of rules; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Myers, the bill was ordered passed to its third reading.

**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**

On motion of Rep. Robert Carter, the Committee on Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of Senate Bill No. 415.

**SENATE BILL NO. 415—**

BY SENATOR PRICE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2175(E)(1) and to enact R.S. 11:2175(E)(7), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide for membership and receipt of benefits from the fund; to provide for retirees' return to employment in positions covered by the fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Robert Carter, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Retirement.

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Schlegel, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Education to submit their weekly schedule on a day other than required by House Rules 14.23.

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. McFarland, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Appropriations to meet on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, 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. 2 and 873

House Concurrent Resolution No. 21

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Muscarello, Jr., the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to meet on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, and consider the following legislative instruments that were not listed on the weekly committee schedule as required by House Rule 14.23:

House Bill No. 858

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Deshotel, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Commerce to meet on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, and consider the following legislative instruments that were not listed on the weekly committee schedule as required by House Rule 14.23:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Emerson, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Ways and Means to meet on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at 10:30 a.m., 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. 827 and 940

**Leave of Absence**

Rep. LaCombe - 1 day

Rep. Larvadain - 1/2 day

**Adjournment**

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 4:55 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at 3:00 P.M.

The Speaker Pro Tempore of the House declared the House adjourned until 3:00 P.M., Tuesday, April 23, 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 Appropriations

Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Location: Committee Room 5

Remarks:

- HB 1** MCFARLAND APPROPRIATIONS Provides for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2024-2025
- HB 2** EMERSON (TBA) CAPITAL OUTLAY Provides for the comprehensive Capital Outlay budget (**Subject to Rule Suspension**)
- HB 291** MCFARLAND REVENUE SHARING Provides for the Revenue Sharing Distribution for Fiscal Year 2024-2025
- HB 314** MCFARLAND APPROPRIATIONS/ANCILLARY Provides for the ancillary expenses of state government
- HB 781** MCFARLAND APPROPRIATIONS Appropriates funds for the expenses of the judiciary for Fiscal Year 2024-2025
- HB 782** MCFARLAND APPROPRIATIONS/SUPPLEML Makes supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Year 2023-2024
- HB 786** MCFARLAND FUNDS/FUNDING Provides for the transfer, deposit, and use of monies among state funds
- HB 843** MCFARLAND LEGISLATIVE EXPENSES Makes appropriations for the expenses of the legislature for Fiscal Year 2024-2025
- HB 873** EMERSON (TBA) ELECTIONS Provides relative to elections (**Subject to Rule Suspension**)
- HCR 3** MCFARLAND HOSPITALS Provides for a hospital stabilization formula

- HCR 21** SCHLEGEL (TBA) SCHOOLS/FINANCE-MFP Provides for legislative approval of the MFP formula for FY 2024-2025 (**Subject to Rule Suspension**)

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 Appropriations via e-mail at h-app@legis.la.gov.

JACK G. MCFARLAND  
Chairman

Committee on Civil Law and Procedure

Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Location: Committee Room 4

Remarks:

- HB 440** BERAULT PROPERTY/IMMOVABLE Provides relative to homeowners associations
- HB 858** VENTRELLA (TBA) CIVIL/ACTIONS Provides relative to the limitation of liability for recreational landowners (**Subject to Rule Suspension**)
- SB 23** MILLER, G. IMMOVABLE PROPERTY Provides for the Planned Community Act.
- SB 29** MILLER, G. DIVORCE Provides for the allocation of community property following a petition for divorce.
- SB 32** MILLER, G. SUCCESSIONS Provides for small succession procedures.
- SB 49** MILLER, G. DIVORCE Provides for the revocation of beneficiary designation for certain assets.
- SB 61** FOIL TUTORSHIP Provides for full or limited continuing tutorship.
- SB 77** MILLER, G. CHILDREN Provides for the filiation of children.
- SB 80** FOIL TRUSTS Provides for trusts for minors and persons with disabilities.
- SB 108** SEABAUGH EXPROPRIATION Provides relative to expropriation.
- SB 188** COUSSAN FAMILY LAW Provides for the Uniform Collaborative Family Law Act.

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22nd Day's Proceedings - April 22, 2024

NICHOLAS MUSCARELLO, JR.  
Chairman

Committee on Commerce

Will meet at: 9:30 a.m.

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024

Location: Committee Room 1

Remarks:

- HB 131 BOYER RACING/HORSE** Provides for payment of horse racing purses
- HB 840 BOYER RACING/COMMISSION** Provides relative to the members of the Louisiana State Racing Commission
- HB 932 BOYER RACING/HORSE** Provides relative to purse supplements
- HB 948 BOYER RACING/HORSE** Provides relative to historical horse racing
- SB 99 REESE HORSE RACING** Provides relative to horse racing breeder awards. (8/1/24)
- SB 137 MILLER, G. BANKS/BANKING** Provides relative to deposits for customers who expire while domiciled out of state. (8/1/24)
- SB 257 FOIL INTERIOR DESIGNERS** Provides relative to board members and qualifications of the State Board of Examiners of Interior Designers. (8/1/24)
- SB 332 SEABAUGH OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY** Repeals the Occupational Licensing Review Commission. (1/1/25)
- SB 396 MCMATH ARCHITECTS** Provides for exemptions to the licensing and registration requirements for architects. (1/1/25)
- SCR 4 MIZELL (TBA) CONGRESS** Memorializes Congress to support the extension of funding for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) of 2021, which provides Louisiana residents access to broadband services. **(Subject to Rule Suspension)**

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DARYL ANDREW DESHOTEL  
Chairman

Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Date: April 23, 2024

Remarks:

MEETING IS CANCELLED.

RYAN BOURRIAQUE  
Chairman

Committee on Ways and Means

Will meet at: 10:30 a.m.

Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024  
**(TBA - Subject to Rule Suspension)**

Location: Committee Room 6

Remarks:

- HB 827 TURNER (TBA) TAX/TAX REBATES** Provides relative to the sales and use tax rebate on the sale of certain fiber-optic cable equipment **(Subject to Rule Suspension)**
- HB 940 TURNER (TBA) BONDS** Authorizes the issuance of bonds to finance deferred maintenance projects included in the College and University Deferred Maintenance and Capital Improvement Program **(Subject to Rule Suspension)**

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JULIE EMERSON  
Chairman

**Weekly Committee Schedules**

The following committees posted weekly committee schedules as follows:

Committee on Education

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Committee Room 1

9:00 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

- HCR 68 OWEN, CHARLES HIGHER EDUCATION** Requests that the Board of Regents and public postsecondary education management boards scrutinize the practice of hiring faculty from certain foreign adversaries
- HCR 72 LAFLEUR SCHOOLS** Requests that the state Department of Education study and report relative to school start times
- HB 168 CARLSON LIBRARIES** Provides relative to qualifications for certified librarians
- HB 725 LAFLEUR SCHOOLS** Prohibits middle schools and high schools from beginning the instructional day prior to specified start times

Chairman

- HB 908**     **AMEDEE VACCINES/VACCINATION** Prohibits discrimination against students on the basis of vaccination status
- SB 38**     **EDMONDS CURRICULA** Provide with respect to the Course Choice Program. (7/1/25)
- SB 54**     **WHEAT HEALTHSERVICES** Requires CPR/AED training for coaches in Louisiana. (8/1/24)
- SB 56**     **WHEAT STUDENTS** Provides for the administration of medication to students by certain practitioners. (gov sig)
- SB 85**     **EDMONDS SCHOOLS** To change the makeup of the board of the Jimmy D. Long School for Math, Science, and the Arts. (gov sig)
- SB 123**    **ABRAHAM SCHOOLS** Provides relative to the employment or acceptance of volunteer chaplains in public schools. (gov sig)
- SB 272**    **EDMONDS COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES** Provides relative to the M.J. Foster Promise Award Program. (gov sig)
- SB 316**    **MIGUEZ SCHOOLS** Provides relative to charter schools. (gov sig)

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Laurie Schlegel  
Chairman

Committee on Judiciary

Thursday, April 25, 2024

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Robby Carter  
Chairman

Committee on Retirement

Thursday, April 25, 2024

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Tony Bacala