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FORTY-FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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

House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Friday, May 31, 2024

The House of Representatives was called to order at 10:48 A.M., by the Honorable Phillip DeVillier, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Morning Hour

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

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

Domangue	Marcelle	Zeringue
Echols	McCormick	
Total - 104		

The Speaker announced that there were 104 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rep. Romero.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Rep. Bacala, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Bacala, the Journal of May 30, 2024, was adopted.

**Petitions, Memorials, and
Communications**

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

Conference Committee Appointment

The Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 371: Reps. Boyd, Villio, and Hilferty.

Message from the Senate

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted and asks your concurrence in the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 74

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

HOUSE BILLS

May 31, 2024

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

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

House Bill No. 374
Returned without amendments

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

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Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

May 31, 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:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 258—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study traffic conditions on Louisiana Highway 21 from the intersection of Louisiana Highway 10 in Bogalusa North to the Louisiana state line and make recommendations for four lane expansion and a turning lane.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 260—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Port of New Orleans to hold town hall meetings in each St. Bernard Parish Council district regarding the proposed Louisiana International Terminal.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 262—

BY REPRESENTATIVE STAGNI

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to work with the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners to study and make recommendations to establish a more efficient process for licensing nondiagnostic technicians.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 278—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TAYLOR

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study the road conditions on particular roadways that intersect with United States Highway 61 in St. John the Baptist Parish.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 292—

BY REPRESENTATIVE AMEDEE

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to conduct a study on the relationship between sudden unexpected deaths of infants and children, ages two and under, and the administration of vaccinations.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 305—

BY REPRESENTATIVES EDMONSTON, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BUTLER, CARRIER, CARVER, CREWS, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EGAN, EMERSON, FISHER, HORTON, JACKSON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MELERINE, MYERS, NEWELL, OWEN, SCHLEGEL, SELDERS, STAGNI, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, WALTERS, WYBLE, AND ZERINGUE

A RESOLUTION

To direct the Partners in Protecting Children Subcommittee of the Children's Cabinet Advisory Board to study the needs of the child welfare system in this state.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 312—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A RESOLUTION

To commend United Kingdom Consul General, Richard Hyde, on his engagement with and interest in Louisiana.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 314—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Catholic High School baseball team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association 2024 Division I Select state championship.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 316—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL

A RESOLUTION

To commend Chantelle Hataway on being awarded the 2024 Louisiana Ag in the Classroom Teacher of the Year.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 317—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO

A RESOLUTION

To designate the week of March 21 through 27, 2025, as "Louisiana Ag Week" at the state capitol.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 319—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILFORD CARTER

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Maudrie Peters Jones Ross.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 322—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A RESOLUTION

To commend Emily "Emmy" Ella Rabalais on her many accomplishments and on being named the first-ever Miss Teen Wheelchair Louisiana USA.

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.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

May 31, 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 Concurrent Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

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.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 78—

BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Board of Regents and each public postsecondary education management board to submit a written report relative to actions related to environmental, social, and governance criteria to the House Committee on Education, the Senate Committee on Education, and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget not later than December 31, 2024.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 85—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to conduct a study of the criminal statutes relating to white-collar crimes, financial crimes, and crimes involving elected officials and provide recommendations to the legislature no later than thirty days before the convening of the 2025 Regular Session.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 86—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To continue the Task Force on African American Suicide Rates to study suicide rates among African Americans in Louisiana and report its findings to the legislature no later than February 1, 2026.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 88—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MOORE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the United States Food and Drug Administration to regulate tattoo ink.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 93—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Revenue and the Louisiana Workforce Commission, jointly, to study administrative actions necessary to facilitate an eventual expansion of the Louisiana Youth Jobs Tax Credit Program and to report findings from the study to the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 97—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to continue the task force to study, identify, and make recommendations to address the shortage of specialist physicians in this state.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 112—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to form a highly collaborative approach with political subdivisions regarding the status of projects in local areas including communication with state and city officials regarding entities reporting issues to promote the beautification of Louisiana.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 115—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Children and Family Services to seek a rule waiver from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to remove unhealthy foods from the list of approved foods that may be purchased with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 132—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Capitol Security Council to update the screening devices and related procedures at the state capitol and to report its progress to the legislature not later than April 1, 2025.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 140—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To continue the False River Watershed Council, amend its membership, and provide for its responsibilities.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY
Chairwoman

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

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

May 31, 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 Bills have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE BILL NO. 121—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CREWS, AMEDEE, EDMONSTON, FIRMENT, MCCORMICK, AND SCHAMERHORN AND SENATORS ABRAHAM, BASS, CLOUD, EDMONDS, HODGES, MIGUEZ, SEABAUGH, AND STINE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:2122 and 3996(B)(82), relative to education; to provide with respect to the use of certain names and pronouns for students and employees; to prohibit public school governing authorities from adopting certain policies; to provide with respect to school employees; to provide with respect to students; to provide for remedies and corrective actions; to require each public school governing authority to adopt policies; to provide for civil liability; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 130—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BAYHAM AND KNOX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:81.2(B)(2) and (3)(a), relative to the crime of molestation of a juvenile; to provide for penalties for molestation of a juvenile in certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 305—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ORGERON, AMEDEE, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIQUE, BRAUD, CARRIER, WILFORD CARTER, CARVER, COX, CREWS, DEWITT, DOMANGUE, EGAN, FONTENOT, MIKE JOHNSON, KERNER, ST. BLANC, THOMPSON, WYBLE, AND ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 49:214.5.4(E)(1), (3), (4)(introductory paragraph) and (b), and (5)(a)(introductory paragraph) and (b) and (F) and to enact R.S. 49:214.5.4(K), relative to proceeds from alternative energy production in the coastal area; to provide for disposition of revenues; to provide for restrictions on the use of revenues; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 326—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON AND SENATORS BASS, BOUDREAUX, HENRY, JENKINS, MIGUEZ, PRESSLY, PRICE, AND SEABAUGH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1374.1 to provide relative to occupational diseases; relative to the division of state police; to provide that the development of hearing loss while employed in the division of state police is an occupational disease; to provide for benefits to an affected employee; to provide for a rebuttable presumption under certain circumstances; to provide for the testing of audiology examinations; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 376—

BY REPRESENTATIVES RISER, CHASSION, KNOX, AND SELDERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:966(F)(2) through (5) and (8)(b)(i) and (c), 1046(A)(1), (3), (5), and (7), (C)(1) and (2)(c), (g), and (i), (D), (E), (F), (G)(1), (2), (3)(a) through (d), and (4) through (7), (H)(6)(a)(introductory paragraph) and (a)(vi), and (L), 1046.1(A), (B), (C)(1), (2)(a)(introductory paragraph) and (b), (D), (E), and (F)(introductory paragraph), 1046.2(F)(introductory paragraph), (1), and (2)(introductory paragraph) and (b), (G)(introductory paragraph) and (1), (I)(introductory paragraph) and (1)(introductory paragraph) and (b), (2), and (3), and 1046.4(B) and to repeal R.S.

40:1046(C)(2)(a), (f), and (j) through (l), relative to the production of therapeutic marijuana; to extend the termination date; to provide for the sale of marijuana for therapeutic use; to provide for the transfer of regulatory authority from the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy to the Louisiana Department of Health; to provide for marijuana retail permits; to provide for rulemaking; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 392—
BY REPRESENTATIVES FREEMAN AND CHASSION
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:988 and Part VIII of Chapter 5-E of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1259.1 through 1259.3, relative to coverage of perimenopausal and menopausal care; to provide for hormonal and symptomatic treatment; to provide for Medicaid coverage; to provide for enrollment qualifications; to provide for insurance coverage; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 562—
BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:130.862(A), relative to the New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority Economic Growth and Development District; to provide relative to the boundaries of the district; to provide for effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 579—
BY REPRESENTATIVES MCMAHEN, BACALA, BILLINGS, BOYD, BRYANT, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, FREIBERG, GREEN, HORTON, JACKSON, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KNOX, LAFLEUR, MANDIE LANDRY, LYONS, MYERS, NEWELL, OWEN, PHELPS, SELDERS, STAGNI, AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:1218.2, relative to dispensation of human immunodeficiency virus prophylaxis; to authorize pharmacists to dispense human immunodeficiency virus pre-exposure and post-exposure prophylaxis; to require certain training; to require the Louisiana Department of Health to promulgate rules; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 581—
BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1315(B) and to enact R.S. 18:4 and 1461.7(A)(7), relative to witnessing election documents; to place age requirements on witnesses; to require witnesses to provide certain information; to provide for the grounds to challenge an absentee by mail ballot; to provide for the crime of violating restrictions on witnessing absentee ballot certificates; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 676—
BY REPRESENTATIVES KERNER, ADAMS, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BRAUD, ROBBY CARTER, WILFORD CARTER, COATES, COX, DEWITT, DOMANGUE, GREEN, JACKSON, MIKE JOHNSON, LARVADAIN, ORGERON, ROMERO, SELDERS, TAYLOR, WALTERS, AND ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:5.10.1 and R.S. 56:306(Section heading) and (B)(6) and 306.1(Section heading) and (B)(6) and

to enact R.S. 56:306(B)(8) and 306.1(B)(8), relative to imported seafood licenses and fees; to require licensed wholesale/retail and licensed retail dealers who sell imported seafood to obtain an additional imported seafood license; to establish license fees; to establish license duration and purchasing; to allocate license revenue; to repeal a duplicative fee; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 753—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DESHOTEL AND CHASSION
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1361(B) and (E), 1366(A)(1) and (L), 1367(A)(1), 1368(A)(1)(introductory paragraph), 1371(A)(1), 1373(A), 1377(B), and 1378(A)(3), (6), and (8), relative to licensure of plumbers; to provide for the State Plumbing Board; to provide for residential plumbers; to provide for board appointments; to provide for duties of the board; to provide for licensure requirements; to provide for the issuance of licenses; to provide relative to fees; to provide for injunctions; to provide for definitions; to provide for disciplinary actions; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 766—
BY REPRESENTATIVES KNOX, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BERAULT, BUTLER, CARPENTER, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSION, COATES, CREWS, DEWITT, FISHER, FREIBERG, GREEN, HORTON, ILLG, JORDAN, KERNER, LAFLEUR, MARCELLE, MOORE, NEWELL, OWEN, PHELPS, SELDERS, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, AND ZERINGUE
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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 806—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:214.5.1(B)(16) and to repeal R.S. 49:214.5.1(B)(5) through (9) and (12), relative to Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board membership; to provide for members of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board; to direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to make technical changes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 857—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ROBBY CARTER, ADAMS, BAMBURG, BAYHAM, BUTLER, CARPENTER, CARRIER, WILFORD CARTER, DEWITT, FIRMINT, FISHER, GREEN, LARVADAIN, MARCELLE, MOORE, NEWELL, RISER, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, WYBLE, AND YOUNG
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:112(E)(2)(e)(i)(introductory paragraph), relative to the capital outlay process; to provide relative to requirements for matching funds for certain nonstate capital outlay projects; to provide relative to waivers of such requirements; to increase the population threshold under which a parish may qualify for such a waiver; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 868—
BY REPRESENTATIVE EGAN
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:2115.1, relative to standards for psychiatric hospitals and residential substance abuse facilities; to provide for a legislative declaration; to improve standards of quality; to require a review by the Louisiana Department of Health of current standards for psychiatric hospitals and residential substance abuse facilities; to provide for definitions; to require the submission of a report to the legislative committees on health and welfare; to require the department to review value-based financial incentives for certain psychiatric hospitals; to require a report of findings and recommendations; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 888—

BY REPRESENTATIVES STAGNI, BAGLEY, CARRIER, WILFORD CARTER, COX, DOMANGUE, FISHER, FREIBERG, GREEN, JORDAN, LARVADAIN, LYONS, NEWELL, PHELPS, SELDERS, TAYLOR, WALTERS, AND WYBLE

AN ACT

To enact Part II of Chapter 35 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 37:2731, relative to the Social Work Licensure Compact; to establish the purpose of the Compact; to identify certain objectives; to provide for definitions; to provide eligibility requirements for state and social worker participation; to establish provisions for the issuance of a multistate license; to authorize the Interstate Compact Commission; to provide for member licensing authority; to establish certain provisions for military families; to establish authority for certain entities to take adverse action; to establish the Social Work Licensure Compact Commission; to require usage of a coordinated data system; to require the promulgation of certain rules; to provide for oversight, dispute resolution, and enforcement of certain provisions; to provide for construction and severability; to require consistency and conflict resolution between states; to establish provisions for a criminal background check for the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners; to designate Chapter 35 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:2701 through 2724, "PART I. SOCIAL WORKERS"; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 898—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MANDIE LANDRY, MARCELLE, AND WYBLE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1483(6)(a) and (9)(a) and to enact R.S. 18:1483(21), relative to the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act; to provide for definitions; to include providing for electioneering communications in the definitions of contribution and expenditure; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 899—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WRIGHT, BERAULT, CREWS, EGAN, GALLE, AND MYERS

AN ACT

To enact Part VIII of Chapter 5-G of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1300.71 through 1300.79, relative to individualized investigational treatments, drugs, or devices; to enact the Hope for Louisiana Patients Law; to provide access to individualized investigative treatment for patients with life-threatening illnesses; to provide a short title; to provide definitions; to permit the expansion of existing insurance coverage provisions; to prohibit actions against healthcare providers; to establish provisions for the death of a patient; to prohibit private causes of action and insurance mandates; to provide for severability; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 926—

BY REPRESENTATIVES LYONS AND GREEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:312(5)(b)(i) and 312.1(E)(2), relative to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal; to provide for the election of judges from the first district of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal; to provide for the redistricting of judges; to provide for election sections; to provide for the filling of vacancies; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 982 (Substitute for House Bill No. 820 by Representative Walters)—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WALTERS, BILLINGS, BOYD, BRASS, BRYANT, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSION, CREWS, DICKERSON, FISHER, JACKSON, MANDIE LANDRY, MARCELLE, MENA, SELDERS, TAYLOR, VENTRELLA, AND YOUNG

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:1202(A)(introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S. 15:1202(A)(33), relative to the membership of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and

Administration of Criminal Justice; to add members to the commission; and to provide for related matters.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY
Chairwoman

The above House Bills contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken to the Senate by the Clerk and were signed by the President of the Senate and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Governor for executive approval.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

May 31, 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 Joint Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE BILL NO. 300—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 10.2(E)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to federal proceeds from alternative energy production on the Outer Continental Shelf; to provide for the disposition of revenues; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY
Chairwoman

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

Conference Committee Reports Received

Conference Committee Reports were received for the following legislative instruments:

House Bill No. 962

The Conference Committee Reports for the above legislative instruments lie over under the rules.

**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. 324—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter of the Crescent City Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of its charter.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 325—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD

A RESOLUTION

To commend Loyce Pierce Wright on receipt of the 2024 Regina Matrum Award from the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 326—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A RESOLUTION

To commend Brother Matthew Lyons, CSC, for more than sixty years of faithful service to the Catholic Church.

Read by title.

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

Reconsideration

The following legislative instruments on reconsideration were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE BILL NO. 181—
BY SENATOR MORRIS

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article X, Section 2(B) and Section 3(B) and (C) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to state civil service; to provide for procedure for the addition of unclassified positions; to provide for composition of the State Civil Service Commission; to provide for terms of State Civil Service Commission members; to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors; and to provide a ballot proposition.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Muscarello, Jr., the vote by which the above Senate Bill failed to pass on the previous legislative day was reconsidered.

Returned to the calendar under the rules.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Young, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider House and House Concurrent Resolutions on Third Reading for Final Consideration at this time.

House and House Concurrent Resolutions on Third Reading for Final Consideration

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions on third reading for final consideration were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 313—
BY REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Board of Regents to conduct a comprehensive study of two-year colleges in Union, Claiborne, and Bienville parishes and to submit a written report to the House Committee on Education not later than January 31, 2025.

Read by title.

Rep. Young moved the adoption of the resolution.

By a vote of 97 yeas and 0 nays, the resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 320—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

A RESOLUTION

To recognize gene editing as a significant and profound medical and scientific accomplishment in the treatment of sickle cell disease.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Hughes, the resolution was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 321—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to take action on feral hog toxicant testing and registration.

Read by title.

Rep. Romero moved the adoption of the resolution.

By a vote of 98 yeas and 0 nays, the resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 323—
BY REPRESENTATIVES JORDAN, BOYD, BRASS, BRYANT,

CARPENTER, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSIÒN, FISHER, GREEN, HUGHES, JACKSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MARCELLE, MENA, MILLER, MOORE, NEWELL, PHELPS, SELDERS, TAYLOR, WALTERS, WILLARD, AND YOUNG

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Education and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to prohibit the use of "edu-tainment" children's videos that are discriminatory and anti-Semitic as educational tools in classrooms.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Michael Johnson, the resolution was returned to the calendar.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions returned from the Senate with amendments to be concurred in by the House were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 97—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:97.1(A) and to enact R.S. 14:97.1(C), relative to solicitation on certain highways and streets; to provide relative to the elements of the offense; to provide for a definition; to provide for a statement of legislative intent; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary C to Engrossed House Bill No. 97 by Representative McMakin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, between lines 6 and 7, insert:

"Section 1. The legislature finds that the practices of solicitation and offering or donating to persons on public roadways or rights-of-way and interstate highways creates an unsafe situation for the well-being of both pedestrians and motorists within this state and all will be well served by implementation of this Act."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 7, after "Section" change "1" to "2"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 9, delete "a public street" and insert "in a public right-of-way"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 10, delete "a public street" and insert "in a public right-of-way"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 11, delete "offering"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, delete line 12 and insert:

"anything of value, or offering, giving, or donating anything of value, in a public right-of-way, on an interstate highway, or on any entrance or exit"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, line 16, after "instrument" insert "given to a person not exempted by R.S. 32:218"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 1, delete lines 17 and 18

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Morris to Engrossed House Bill No. 97 by Representative McMakin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On committee amendments designated as #2331, delete Amendment No. 6 proposed by the Senate Committee on Judiciary C and adopted by the Senate on April 24, 2024.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 9, after "Solicitation" delete "or offering"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 10, after "Solicitation" delete "or offering"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete line 12, and insert the following:

"anything of value on any interstate highway, public right-of-way, or any entrance or exit"

Rep. McMakin moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Dickerson	McCormick
Amedee	Domangue	McFarland
Bacala	Echols	McMahan
Bagley	Edmonston	McMakin
Bamburg	Egan	Melerine
Bayham	Emerson	Muscarello
Beaullieu	Farnum	Myers
Berault	Firment	Orgeron
Billings	Fisher	Owen
Bourriaque	Fontenot	Riser
Boyd	Freiberg	Romero
Boyer	Gadberry	Schamerhorn
Brass	Galle	Schlegel
Braud	Geymann	St. Blanc
Brown	Hebert	Stagni
Butler	Henry	Tarver
Carlson	Hilferty	Thomas
Carpenter	Horton	Thompson
Carrier	Illg	Turner
Carter, R.	Jackson	Ventrella
Carver	Johnson, M.	Villio
Chenevert	Johnson, T.	Walters
Coates	Kerner	Wilder
Cox	LaCombe	Wiley
Crews	LaFleur	Wright
Davis	Landry, J.	Wyble
Deshotel	Lyons	Young
Dewitt	Mack	Zeringue
Total - 84		

NAYS

Chassion	Landry, M.	Taylor
Freeman	Larvadain	Willard
Hughes	Mena	
Knox	Miller	
Total - 10		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Green	Newell
Bryant	Jordan	Phelps
Carter, W.	Marcelle	Selders
Glorioso	Moore	
Total - 11		

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Chassion requested the House consent to correct his vote on the concurrence of the Senate amendments to House Bill No. 97 from yea to nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Knox requested the House consent to correct his vote on the concurrence of the Senate amendments to House Bill No. 97 from yea to nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

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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.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 10, change "recover a past payment of" to "collect additional"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 11, delete "claim for the misclassification of an employee" and insert "payroll audit"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 12, after "certified" delete the remainder of the line and insert "mail, commercial courier, or via electronic transmission, within ninety days of the completion of the payroll audit."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete lines 13 and 14

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 20, after "to" delete the remainder of the line and insert "modify or complete a payroll audit more than three years after the end of the policy period or cancellation of a workers' compensation policy. This Subsection shall not apply to the following:

(1) A misrepresentation or omission of relevant information during a prior audit.

(2) A noncompliant payroll audit.

(3) A payroll audit disputed by an insured.

D. Nothing in this Section shall preclude an insurer from returning premiums to the insured if the insurer receives relevant information after the audit is completed.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, delete lines 1 through 8

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, delete line 10

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Seabaugh to Engrossed House Bill No. 200 by Representative Melerine

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On Senate Committee Amendments designated #3600 delete Amendment Nos. 1, 2, and 5 proposed by the Senate Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations on May 15, 2024 and adopted by the Senate on May 16, 2024

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 10, after "past" insert "due"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 16, after "insured" insert "in accordance with Subsection A of this Section" and delete the remainder of the line

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 17, delete "Subsection A of this Section," and after "prohibited from" delete the remainder of the line and insert "collecting additional"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 18, delete "payment of"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, line 20, after "to" delete the remainder of the line and insert "modify or complete a payroll audit more than three years after the end of the policy period. This Subsection shall not apply to the following:

(1) A misrepresentation or omission of relevant information during a prior audit.

(2) A noncompliant payroll audit.

(3) A payroll audit disputed by an insured.

(4) Any modification or review related to a fraud investigation.

(5) Reclassification due to a determination by a court of competent jurisdiction.

D. Nothing in this Section shall preclude or require an insurer from returning premiums to the insured if the insurer receives relevant information after the audit is completed.

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, delete lines 1 through 4

Rep. Melerine moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Echols	McCormick
Amedee	Edmonston	McFarland
Bacala	Egan	McMahan
Bagley	Emerson	McMakin
Bamburg	Farnum	Melerine
Bayham	Firment	Mena
Beaullieu	Fisher	Miller
Berault	Fontenot	Myers
Billings	Freeman	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Freiberg	Owen

Boyd	Gadberry	Riser
Boyer	Galle	Romero
Brass	Geymann	Schamerhorn
Braud	Glorioso	Schlegel
Brown	Hebert	St. Blanc
Butler	Henry	Stagni
Carlson	Hilferty	Tarver
Carpenter	Horton	Taylor
Carrier	Hughes	Thomas
Carter, R.	Illg	Thompson
Carver	Jackson	Turner
Chassion	Johnson, M.	Ventrella
Chenevert	Johnson, T.	Villio
Coates	Kerner	Walters
Cox	Knox	Wilder
Crews	LaFleur	Wiley
Davis	Landry, J.	Willard
Deshotel	Landry, M.	Wright
Dewitt	Larvadain	Wyble
Dickerson	Lyons	Young
Domangue	Mack	Zeringue

Total - 93

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Jordan	Muscarello
Bryant	LaCombe	Newell
Carter, W.	Marcelle	Phelps
Green	Moore	Selders

Total - 12

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 244—

BY REPRESENTATIVES HUGHES, CARLSON, CARVER, FREIBERG, SCHLEGEL, TAYLOR, AND YOUNG

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Part III of Chapter 43 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 17:4032.1, relative to academic assistance for certain public school students; to provide for student and service provider eligibility, program administration, payment amounts and uses, notifications, reports, and funding; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Harris to Reengrossed House Bill No. 244 by Representative Hughes

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 6, after "funding;" insert "to provide for an effective date contingent on necessary appropriations;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, after line 8, insert the following:

"Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall become effective when an Act of the Louisiana Legislature containing a specific appropriation of monies for the implementation of the provisions of this Act becomes effective."

Rep. Hughes moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Domangue	Lyons
Bacala	Echols	McCormick
Bagley	Edmonston	McFarland
Bamburg	Egan	McMahan
Bayham	Farnum	McMakin
Beaulieu	Firment	Melerine
Berault	Fisher	Mena
Billings	Fontenot	Miller
Bourriaque	Freeman	Muscarello
Boyd	Freiberg	Myers
Boyer	Gadberry	Owen
Brass	Galle	Romero
Braud	Geymann	St. Blanc
Brown	Glorioso	Stagni
Butler	Hebert	Taylor
Carlson	Henry	Thomas
Carpenter	Hilferty	Thompson
Carrier	Horton	Turner
Carter, R.	Hughes	Ventrella
Carter, W.	Illg	Villio
Carver	Johnson, M.	Walters
Chassion	Johnson, T.	Wilder
Chenevert	Jordan	Wiley
Coates	Kerner	Willard
Cox	Knox	Wright
Crews	LaCombe	Wyble
Davis	LaFleur	Young
Deshotel	Landry, J.	Zeringue
Dewitt	Landry, M.	
Dickerson	Larvadain	

Total - 88

NAYS

Amedee	Schamerhorn
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Total - 2

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Mack	Phelps
Bryant	Marcelle	Riser
Emerson	Moore	Schlegel
Green	Newell	Selders
Jackson	Orgeron	Tarver

Total - 15

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 267—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARVER, CARLSON, FREIBERG, HUGHES, SCHLEGEL, TAYLOR, AND YOUNG

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:24.10(A)(4)(a), (F), and (G) and to enact R.S. 17:24.10(H) through (K), relative to public education in kindergarten through third grade; to provide for annual numeracy assessment of certain students; to provide numeracy support to certain students; to require numeracy improvement plans; to authorize consolidation of certain academic plans for certain students; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator McMath to Engrossed House Bill No. 267 by Representative Carver

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, after line 9, insert the following:

"Section 3. The provisions of this Act shall become effective when an Act of the Louisiana Legislature containing a specific appropriation of monies for the implementation of the provisions of this Act becomes effective."

Rep. Carver moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table listing names of representatives who voted 'YEAS', including Adams, Amedee, Bacala, Bagley, Bamburg, Bayham, Beaulieu, Berault, Billings, Bourriague, Boyd, Boyer, Brass, Braud, Brown, Butler, Carlson, Carpenter, Carrier, Carter, R., Carver, Chassion, Chenevert, Coates, Cox, Crews, Davis, Deshotel, Dewitt, Dickerson, Domangue, Echols, Edmonston, Egan, Emerson, Farnum, Firment, Fisher, Fontenot, Freeman, Freiberg, Gadberry, Galle, Geymann, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Hilferty, Horton, Hughes, Illg, Jackson, Johnson, M., Johnson, T., Jordan, Kerner, Knox, LaFleur, Landry, J., Landry, M., Larvadain, Lyons, Mack, McCormick, McFarland, McMahan, McMakin, Melerine, Mena, Miller, Muscarello, Myers, Orgeron, Owen, Phelps, Riser, Romero, St. Blanc, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Turner, Ventrella, Villio, Walters, Wilder, Wiley, Willard, Wright, Wyble, Young, Zeringue.

NAYS

Schamerhorn
Total - 1

ABSENT

Table listing names of representatives who were absent: Mr. Speaker, Bryant, Carter, W., Green, LaCombe, Marcelle, Moore, Newell, Schlegel, Selders, Stagni, Tarver.

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 461—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:22.2, relative to public records; to provide an exception for certain documents related to economic development negotiations by local government; to require certain procedures and notices; to provide a limitation on the amount of time certain information regarding the negotiations may remain confidential; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 467—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:1391(23) through (26) and to enact R.S. 3:1391(27) and 1394(A)(14) and Subpart C of Part VII of Chapter 4 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:931 through 939, relative to the sale of raw milk; to authorize sales of raw milk for human consumption; to provide for commercial feeds; to provide for definitions; to authorize the sale of raw cow milk; to authorize the sale of raw goat milk; to provide for labeling and inspection; to provide for sanitation, bottling, and packaging standards; to provide for animal health; to provide for chemical and temperature standards; to provide for product recall; to require training courses for farmers or producers; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development to Engrossed House Bill No. 467 by Representative Coates

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 18, change "(23)" to "(23)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, delete lines 23 through 26 in their entirety and insert the following:

"§932. Disclosure of information"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, at the beginning of line 27, delete "B."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, at the beginning on line 4, before "With" insert "A."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

"B. Whole milk or goat milk that has not been pasteurized shall not be labeled "for human consumption"."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 16, line 4, after "recall" insert "; suspension" and at the beginning of line 5 insert "A."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 16, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

"B. The commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry may temporarily suspend the sale, distribution, or movement of any raw milk when raw milk causes an outbreak of a contagious or infectious disease that poses an immediate threat to animal or public health. For purposes pursuant to this Subsection, the Senate and House Committees on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development may meet to override the commissioner's temporary suspension."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 16, line 19, after "Health" and before "may" insert "and the commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry"

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Kleinpeter to Engrossed House Bill No. 467 by Representative Coates

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Delete Amendments Nos. 2 through 8 proposed by the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development and adopted by the Senate on May 22, 2024.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the end of line 2, after "3:1391(27)"change "and" to a comma ","

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 3, after "1394(A)(14)" delete the remainder of the line and insert a comma "," and insert "1398.1, and 1399(D),"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete lines 4 through 11 and insert the following:

"relative to the sale of raw milk; to provide for commercial feeds; to provide for definitions; to provide for labeling and inspection; to provide for testing and records; to authorize the commissioner of agriculture to suspend the sale, distribution, or movement on raw milk under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 14, after "3:1391(27)" change "and" to a comma "," and after "1394(A)(14)" insert a comma "," and insert "1398.1, and 1399(D)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

"(c) The commission by regulation may adopt, unless it determines that they are inconsistent with the provisions of this Part or are not appropriate to the conditions that exist in this state, the labeling requirements adopted by the Association of American Feed Control Officials and published in the official publication of that organization."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, delete lines 6 through 28 and insert the following:

"§1398.1. Testing and records of raw milk

A. Raw milk testing for salmonella shall be done once per month by an accredited laboratory. A producer of raw milk shall provide test results to the commission or a customer, upon request.

B. Test results shall be kept by the farmer or producer of raw milk for at least two years from testing.

§1399. Detained commercial feeds; withdrawal from distribution; condemnation and confiscation; stop order

* * *

D. The commissioner may temporarily suspend the sale, distribution, or movement of any raw milk from a producer when the raw milk causes an outbreak of a contagious or infectious disease that poses an immediate threat to animal or public health. For the purposes of this Part, the Senate and House committees on agriculture, forestry, aquaculture, and rural development may conduct oversight review to override the commissioner's temporary suspension."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

Delete pages 4 through 15 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 16, delete lines 1 through 21 in their entirety

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Cathey to Engrossed House Bill No. 467 by Representative Coates

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 16, after line 21, insert the following:

"Section 3. This Act shall be known as and may be referred to as the "Senator Eric LaFleur Raw Milk Act.""

Rep. Coates moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be rejected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Echols	McFarland
Amedee	Edmonston	McMahan
Bacala	Egan	McMakin
Bagley	Emerson	Melerine
Bamburg	Farnum	Mena
Bayham	Firment	Miller
Beaulieu	Fisher	Muscarello
Berault	Fontenot	Myers
Billings	Freiberg	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Gadberry	Owen
Boyd	Galle	Phelps
Brass	Geymann	Riser
Braud	Glorioso	Romero
Brown	Hebert	Schamerhorn
Butler	Henry	Schlegel
Carlson	Hilferty	St. Blanc

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Carpenter	Horton	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	LaCombe	Walters
Crews	LaFleur	Wilder
Davis	Landry, J.	Wiley
Deshotel	Landry, M.	Wright
Dewitt	Larvadain	Wyble
Dickerson	Mack	Young
Domangue	McCormick	Zeringue

Total - 93

NAYS

Freeman
Total - 1

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Hughes	Newell
Boyer	Lyons	Selders
Bryant	Marcelle	Willard
Green	Moore	

Total - 11

The amendments proposed by the Senate were rejected.

Conference committee appointment pending.

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 to engage in tax increment financing; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Speaker Pro Tempore Mike Johnson in the Chair

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Harris to Reengrossed House Bill No. 561 by Representative Knox

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 17, after "Street and" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 18, and 19, in their entirety and at the beginning of line 20, delete "Street to its intersection with"

Rep. Knox moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Emerson	McFarland
Bagley	Farnum	McMahan

Bamburg	Fisher	McMakin
Bayham	Fontenot	Melerine
Beaulieu	Freeman	Mena
Berault	Freiberg	Miller
Billings	Gadberry	Muscarello
Bourriaque	Galle	Myers
Boyd	Geymann	Orgeron
Boyer	Glorioso	Owen
Brass	Hebert	Phelps
Braud	Henry	Riser
Brown	Hilferty	Romero
Butler	Horton	Schlegel
Carpenter	Hughes	St. Blanc
Carrier	Illg	Stagni
Carter, R.	Jackson	Taylor
Carter, W.	Johnson, M.	Thomas
Carver	Johnson, T.	Thompson
Chassion	Jordan	Turner
Chenevert	Kerner	Ventrella
Coates	Knox	Villio
Cox	LaCombe	Walters
Crews	LaFleur	Wilder
Davis	Landry, J.	Wiley
Deshotel	Landry, M.	Willard
Dewitt	Larvadain	Wright
Dickerson	Lyons	Wyble
Domangue	Mack	Young
Echols	Marcelle	Zeringue
Edmonston	McCormick	

Total - 92

NAYS

Amedee	Firment	Tarver
Egan	Schamerhorn	

Total - 5

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Carlson	Newell
Bacala	Green	Selders
Bryant	Moore	

Total - 8

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 744—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GLORIOSO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:1762(A), relative to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System; to provide relative to the retirement benefit of retirees who return to part-time employment in a position covered by the system; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Retirement to Reengrossed House Bill No. 744 by Representative Glorioso

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 16, after "service" insert "and is at least age sixty"

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Price to Reengrossed House Bill No. 744 by Representative Glorioso

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, after "system;" insert "to provide for an effective date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 8, insert "Section 2. The provisions of this Subsection shall terminate on June 30, 2028."

Rep. Glorioso moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Egan	McMahan
Amedee	Farnum	McMakin
Bacala	Firment	Melerine
Bagley	Fisher	Mena
Bamburg	Fontenot	Miller
Bayham	Freeman	Muscarello
Beaullieu	Freiberg	Myers
Berault	Gadberry	Orgeron
Billings	Galle	Owen
Bourriaque	Geymann	Phelps
Boyer	Glorioso	Riser
Braud	Hebert	Romero
Brown	Henry	Schamerhorn
Butler	Hilferty	Schlegel
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	LaCombe	Walters
Crews	Landry, J.	Wilder
Davis	Landry, M.	Wiley
Deshotel	Larvadain	Willard
Dewitt	Lyons	Wright
Dickerson	Mack	Wyble
Domangue	Marcelle	Young
Echols	McCormick	Zeringue
Edmonston	McFarland	
Total - 95		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Emerson	Newell
Boyd	Green	Selders
Brass	LaFleur	
Bryant	Moore	
Total - 10		

The amendments proposed by the Senate, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 873—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:44(A) and (B)(5)(b), 58(B)(2), 192(A)(1)(a), 402, 410.6, 410.7(A) and (C), 410.10, 467, 1285(B)(1)(a), 1309(M)(1)(a), 1401(B), 1406(B), 1407,

1409(B)(1) and (2), 1432(A)(1), 1483(8), 1491.6(B)(1), (2), and (4) and (C)(introductory paragraph), 1495.4(B)(1), (2), and (4) and (C)(introductory paragraph), 1501.1(C)(introductory paragraph), 1505.2(H)(3)(a), and Section 2 of Act No. 1 of the 2024 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, to enact R.S. 18:1483(3)(a)(iii), (21), and (22), and to repeal R.S. 18:467.1, relative to elections; to provide for dates for elections and qualifying; to change the timing of the annual canvass of voters; to provide for notice of the days of early voting at additional locations; to provide for election contests and related procedures; to provide relative to the death of candidates; to provide relative to qualifying; to provide for the duties of the Louisiana State Law Institute relative thereto; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to campaign finance contributions limitations and reporting requirements; to change the effective date of Act No. 1 of the 2024 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 896—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MYERS, ADAMS, BERAULT, BOYER, BRYANT, CHASSION, EGAN, FISHER, HUGHES, JACKSON, KNOX, LYONS, MENA, MILLER, NEWELL, SELTERS, TAYLOR, TURNER, WALTERS, AND WYBLE

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.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Reengrossed House Bill No. 896 by Representative Myers

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 26, after "diagnosed" delete ", in the previous eighteen months."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, delete line 8

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, line 9, change "(5)" to "(4)"

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AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 5, delete line 10 and insert a period "._"

Rep. Myers moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table listing names of members who voted 'YEAS' in three columns: Adams, Bagley, Bamberg, Bayham, Beaulieu, Berault, Billings, Bourriaque, Boyd, Boyer, Brass, Braud, Brown, Bryant, Butler, Carlson, Carpenter, Carrier, Carter, R., Carter, W., Carver, Chassion, Chenevert, Coates, Cox, Crews, Davis, Deshotel, Dewitt, Dickerson, Domangue, Echols, Edmonston, Egan, Farnum, Firment, Fisher, Fontenot, Freeman, Freiberg, Gadberry, Geymann, Glorioso, Hebert, Henry, Hilferty, Horton, Hughes, Illg, Jackson, Johnson, M., Johnson, T., Jordan, Kerner, Knox, LaCombe, LaFleur, Landry, J., Landry, M., Larvadain, Lyons, Mack, Marcelle, McCormick, McFarland, McMahan, McMakin, Melerine, Mena, Miller, Muscarello, Myers, Newell, Orgeron, Owen, Phelps, Riser, Romero, Schlegel, Selders, St. Blanc, Stagni, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Turner, Ventrella, Villio, Walters, Wilder, Wiley, Willard, Wright, Wyble, Young, Zeringue.

Total - 96

NAYS

Table listing names of members who voted 'NAYS': Amedee, Schamerhorn. Total - 2

ABSENT

Table listing names of members who were 'ABSENT': Mr. Speaker, Bacala, Emerson, Galle, Green, Moore, Tarver. Total - 7

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 461— BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:22.2, relative to public records; to provide an exception for certain documents related to economic development negotiations by local government; to require certain procedures and notices; to provide a limitation on the amount of time certain information regarding the negotiations may remain confidential; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Engrossed House Bill No. 461 by Representative Jackson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 12, after "proposed" and before "involving" delete "project" and insert "capital improvement project valued at more than five million dollars"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 16, after "writing" and before "detailing" insert "at the outset of negotiations"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 3, after "than" and before "days" change "ten" to "five"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 6, after "be" delete the remainder of the line and insert: "public and subject to review, except that the chief executive officer may redact information that he determines would identify or lead to the identification of the person with whom the local government is negotiating and such information shall be confidential until negotiations are"

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Coussan to Engrossed House Bill No. 461 by Representative Jackson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 1, after "determination." insert "The chief executive officer shall not enter into any agreement without an affirmative vote of the local governing authority consistent with the Open Meetings Law."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 12, insert:

"F. The provisions of this Section shall terminate on January 1, 2028."

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Coussan to Engrossed House Bill No. 461 by Representative Jackson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Delete Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate & Governmental Affairs and adopted by the Senate on May 13, 2024.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, between lines 4 and 5, insert:

"(14)" Economic development" means a project for which a company seeking incentives commits to either:

(a) Creating or retaining at least fifteen permanent jobs for manufacturing or distribution centers or at least twenty-five

permanent jobs for digital media, headquarters, research and development or inbound call center operations.

(b) Having at least five million dollars in capital improvements."

Rep. Jackson moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Dewitt	McMahan
Amedee	Domangue	McMakin
Bacala	Edmonston	Mena
Bagley	Egan	Miller
Bamburg	Fisher	Muscarello
Bayham	Freiberg	Myers
Berault	Gadberry	Orgeron
Billings	Glorioso	Phelps
Bourriaque	Hebert	Schlegel
Boyd	Henry	Selders
Boyer	Hilferty	St. Blanc
Brass	Jackson	Stagni
Braud	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Brown	Johnson, T.	Thomas
Bryant	Jordan	Thompson
Carpenter	Kerner	Turner
Carrier	Knox	Ventrella
Carter, R.	LaCombe	Villio
Carter, W.	LaFleur	Walters
Carver	Landry, J.	Wiley
Chassion	Larvadain	Wright
Coates	Lyons	Young
Cox	Marcelle	Zeringue
Davis	McFarland	
Total - 71		

NAYS

Beaulieu	Echols	Melerine
Butler	Firment	Owen
Carlson	Fontenot	Riser
Chenevert	Horton	Schamerhorn
Crews	Illg	Tarver
Dickerson	Landry, M.	Wilder
Total - 18		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Geymann	Newell
Deshotel	Green	Romero
Emerson	Hughes	Willard
Farnum	Mack	Wyble
Freeman	McCormick	
Galle	Moore	
Total - 16		

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Mandie Landry requested the House consent to correct her vote on the concurrence of the Senate amendments to House Bill No. 461 from yea to nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 80—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 48:2206, relative to transportation network companies; to provide for a legislative declaration; to provide requirements for certain businesses to furnish certain medical transportation

services; to authorize transportation network companies to provide nonemergency medical transportation through the state Medicaid program; to establish company and driver requirements; to require the promulgation of rules by the Louisiana Department of Health; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Engrossed House Bill No. 80 by Representative Echols

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 6, change "require" to "authorize"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, delete lines 3 through 8

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 9, change "D.(1)(a)" to "C.(1)(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 10, after "department," change "shall" to "may"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 12, after "providers" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 13 through 17 and insert "shall include requirements for enrollment and specifications for the vehicles used and any requirements that may be necessary to conform to applicable federal Medicaid transportation requirements administered by the department, bureau of health services financing."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, at the end of line 4, delete "and" and delete line 5 and insert a period "."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, line 6, change "E." to "D."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, line 9, change "F." to "E."

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 3, line 11 change "G." to "F."

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator McMath to Engrossed House Bill No. 80 by Representative Echols

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Delete Senate Committee Amendment Nos. 3, 4, and 6 proposed by the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare and adopted by the Senate on May 23, 2024.

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AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 2, change "R.S. 48:2206" to "R.S. 40:1257.5"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 10, change "R.S. 48:2206" to "R.S. 40:1257.5"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the end of line 11, insert "; transportation network companies"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, delete line 16 and insert "B. If the department determines that transportation network providers can provide transportation services for Medicaid recipients in a safe, effective, and cost efficient manner and in"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, line 18, delete "the provisions of this Chapter" and insert "rules promulgated pursuant to this Section"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, line 19, delete "is authorized to" and insert "may"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, delete line 9 and on line 10, delete "the "department", shall" and insert "C.(1)(a) The department may"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 11, after "Section." insert "No transportation network company may provide Medicaid NEMT services prior to rules being promulgated by the department and demonstrating compliance with requirements established by the department through rules."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 18, change "may" to "shall"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, delete lines 1 through 5

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, line 6, delete "extend" and insert "apply"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, delete lines 14 and 15

Rep. Echols moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Domangue	McFarland
Amedee	Echols	McMahan
Bacala	Edmonston	McMakin
Bagley	Egan	Melerine
Bamburg	Firment	Muscarello
Beaulieu	Fisher	Myers

Berault	Fontenot	Orgeron
Billings	Freiberg	Owen
Bourriaque	Gadberry	Riser
Boyer	Galle	Schlegel
Braud	Geymann	St. Blanc
Butler	Glorioso	Stagni
Carlson	Hebert	Tarver
Carrier	Henry	Thomas
Carter, R.	Hilferty	Thompson
Carver	Horton	Turner
Chenevert	Hughes	Ventrella
Coates	Illg	Villio
Cox	Jackson	Wilder
Crews	Johnson, M.	Wiley
Davis	Kerner	Wright
Deshotel	Landry, J.	Wyble
Dewitt	Mack	Zeringue
Dickerson	McCormick	
Total - 71		

NAYS

Boyd	Johnson, T.	Phelps
Brass	Jordan	Romero
Brown	LaCombe	Schamerhorn
Bryant	LaFleur	Selders
Carpenter	Larvadain	Taylor
Carter, W.	Lyons	Walters
Chassion	Marcelle	Willard
Farnum	Mena	Young
Freeman	Newell	
Total - 26		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Green	Miller
Bayham	Knox	Moore
Emerson	Landry, M.	
Total - 8		

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 778 (Substitute for House Bill No. 490 by Representative Bayham)—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:43(A)(3), relative to penalties by unmanned automated speed enforcement devices in school zones; to prohibit speeding violations from being issued via unmanned automated speed enforcement devices under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

Motion

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

Notice of Intention to Call

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Bayham gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 778 from the calendar on Sunday, June 2, 2024.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Bacala, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Conference Committee Reports for Consideration at this time.

Conference Committee Reports for Consideration

The following Conference Committee Reports were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 43—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2214(A)(2)(a) and (d)(ii), 2225(A)(3)(a), 2225.4(A)(1), (B)(1), and (C)(1), and 2227(A) and (B)(1), relative to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System; to require employers to submit various member enrollment documents and contribution reports to the system; to provide deadlines and related penalties; to provide relative to the system's board of trustees; to provide relative to unfunded accrued liability payments by municipalities that dissolve or substantially reduce their police departments; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 30, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 43 by Representative Bacala recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the set of Senate Committee Amendments proposed by the Committee on Retirement (#3423) be adopted.
2. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments proposed by Senator Price (#3715) be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Tony Bacala
Representative Michael "Gabe" Firment
Representative John R. Illg, Jr.
Senator Gary M. Carter Jr.
Senator Edward J. "Ed" Price
Senator Kirk Talbot

Rep. Bacala moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Egan	McMahan
Amedee	Farnum	McMakin
Bacala	Firment	Melerine
Bagley	Fisher	Mena
Bayham	Fontenot	Miller
Beaulieu	Freeman	Muscarello
Berault	Freiberg	Myers
Billings	Gadberry	Newell
Bourriaque	Galle	Orgeron
Boyd	Geymann	Owen
Boyer	Glorioso	Phelps
Brass	Green	Riser

Braud	Hebert	Romero
Brown	Henry	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Hilferty	Schlegel
Butler	Horton	Selders
Carlson	Hughes	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Illg	Stagni
Carrier	Jackson	Tarver
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Thomas
Carver	Jordan	Thompson
Chassion	Kerner	Turner
Chenevert	Knox	Ventrella
Coates	LaCombe	Villio
Cox	LaFleur	Walters
Crews	Landry, J.	Wilder
Davis	Landry, M.	Wiley
Deshotel	Larvadain	Willard
Dewitt	Lyons	Wright
Dickerson	Mack	Wyble
Domangue	Marcelle	Young
Echols	McCormick	Zeringue
Edmonston	McFarland	
Total - 101		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Emerson
Bamburg	Moore
Total - 4	

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Melerine, the rules were suspended in order to consider the following conference committee report which contains subject matter not confined to the disagreement between the two houses.

HOUSE BILL NO. 426—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MELERINE, BUTLER, AND GEYMAN

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1123(41), relative to ethics; to provide an exception to allow certain educational professionals to tutor certain students, including the use of school facilities under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 30, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 426 by Representative Melerine recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. That the set of Senate Committee Amendments by Senate and Governmental Affairs (#3227) be adopted.
2. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Abraham (#3655) be adopted.

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3. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Price (#3870) be rejected.

4. That the following amendments be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, change "R.S. 42:1123(41)," to "R.S. 42:1111(C)(6) and 1123(41),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 2, after "exception" insert "to allow the continued employment of a governing authority member by a person with or seeking business or financial relationships with the member's governmental entity under specified circumstances; to provide an exception"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 6, change "R.S. 42:1123(41) is" to "R.S. 42:1111(C)(6) and 1123(41) are"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

§1111. Payment from nonpublic sources

* * *

C. Payments for nonpublic service.

* * *

(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (2)(d) of this Subsection, a member of a school board or parish or municipal governing authority may continue employment with a person who has or is seeking a contractual or other business or financial relationship with his governmental entity or an agency under the jurisdiction or supervision of his governmental entity provided all of the following conditions are met:

(a) The member is a salaried or wage-earning employee of his employer.

(b) The compensation of the member is substantially unaffected by his employer's contractual or other business or financial relationship with his governmental entity or other agency under the jurisdiction or supervision of his governmental entity.

(c) The member is not an officer, director, trustee, or partner of his employer.

(d) The member does not own an interest which exceeds one percent of the legal entity which employs him.

(e) The member does not participate in any transaction with his governmental entity or agency under the jurisdiction or supervision of his governmental entity, including recusing himself from any vote, involving his employer.

(f) The member complies with the disclosure requirements in R.S. 42:1114.

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Respectfully submitted,

Representative Michael Melerine
Representative Gerald "Beau" Beaulieu, IV

Representative Rhonda Gaye Butler
Senator Mark Abraham Senator Cleo Fields
Senator Edward J. "Ed" Price

Rep. Melerine moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

Total - 81

NAYS

Boyd Landry, M. Phelps
Carpenter Larvadain Taylor
Carter, W. Lyons Walters
Green Marcelle Willard
Jordan Mena Young
LaFleur Newell

Total - 17

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker Emerson Moore
Bryant Johnson, T.
Egan McFarland

Total - 7

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 463—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EGAN

AN ACT

To amend R.S. 49:191(3) and to repeal R.S. 49:191(12)(a), relative to the Department of Justice, including provisions to provide for the re-creation of the Department of Justice and the statutory entities made a part of the department by law; to provide for the effective termination date for all statutory authority for the existence of such statutory entities; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 29, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 463 by Representative Egan recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. That the Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Connick (#3613) be rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Peter Egan
 Representative Robby Carter
 Representative Debbie Villio
 Senator Patrick Connick
 Senator Jean-Paul P. Coussan
 Senator Mike Reese

Rep. Egan moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Edmonston	McMahan
Amedee	Egan	McMakin
Bacala	Farnum	Melerine
Bagley	Firment	Mena
Beaulieu	Fisher	Miller
Berault	Freeman	Muscarello
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.	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Thomas
Carver	Jordan	Thompson
Chassion	Kerner	Turner
Chenevert	Knox	Ventrella
Coates	LaCombe	Villio
Cox	LaFleur	Walters
Crews	Landry, J.	Wilder
Davis	Landry, M.	Wiley
Deshotel	Larvadain	Willard
Dewitt	Lyons	Wright
Dickerson	Mack	Wyble
Domangue	Marcelle	Young
Echols	McCormick	Zeringue

Total - 96

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Emerson	McFarland
Bamburg	Fontenot	Moore
Bayham	Jackson	Myers
Total - 9		

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 488—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 22 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 49:1501 through 1506, relative to digital assets and cryptocurrency; to prohibit certain government regulations of digital assets; to provide for a short title; to provide for definitions; to prohibit governing authorities from requiring use, payment, or testing of central bank digital currency; to provide for node operating and the use of home digital asset mining; to provide for exceptions; to provide for limitations of liability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Wright, the Conference Committee Report to House Bill No. 488 was returned to the calendar.

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.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 30, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 575 by Representative Hughes recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Bouie (#3992) be rejected.
2. That the following amendments to the Reengrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "Section 4(A)" delete "and (D)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after "commissioners;" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line 5, delete "director;"

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AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 10, after "Section 4(A)" delete "and (D)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete lines 6 through 15 and insert the following:

"the Director of the Office of Civil Defense for the City of New Orleans, the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Charity Hospital in New Orleans, and two at large members to be appointed by the mayor if needed to assure minority representation:

(f) Two members of the Louisiana House of Representatives who are members of the Orleans Delegation appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(g) One member of the Louisiana Senate who is a member of the Orleans Delegation appointed by the President of the Senate.

(h) The director of the New Orleans Emergency Medical Services Department.

(i) Two at large members to be appointed by the president of the New Orleans City Council with the advice and consent of the council. The appointees shall not be employees of or contractors for the city of New Orleans or the Orleans Parish Communication District.

(j) The director of the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness for the city of New Orleans.

(k) The chief executive officer of University Medical Center of New Orleans.

(l) A representative of the Orleans Parish Medical Society appointed by the governing authority of the society.

(3) Each member except those appointed pursuant to Subparagraphs (2)(f), (g), (i), and (l)

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, delete lines 27 through 29 and delete page 3

Respectfully submitted,

- Representative Jason Hughes
Representative Foy Bryan Gadberry
Representative Kyle M. Green, Jr.
Senator Joseph Bouie Jr.
Senator Royce Duplessis
Senator Jimmy Harris

Rep. Hughes moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

- Adams Egan McMahan
Amedee Farnum McMakin
Bacala Firment Melerine
Bamburg Fisher Mena
Beaullieu Fontenot Miller
Berault Freeman Muscarello
Billings Freiberg Newell
Bourriaque Gadberry Orgeron
Boyd Galle Phelps

- Boyer Geymann Riser
Brass Glorioso Romero
Braud Green Schamerhorn
Brown Hebert Schlegel
Bryant Henry Selders
Butler Hilferty St. Blanc
Carlson Horton Stagni
Carpenter Hughes Tarver
Carrier Illg Taylor
Carter, R. Jackson Thomas
Carter, W. Johnson, M. Thompson
Carver Johnson, T. Turner
Chasson Jordan Ventrella
Chenevert Kerner Villio
Coates Knox Walters
Cox LaCombe Wilder
Crews LaFleur Wiley
Davis Landry, J. Willard
Deshotel Landry, M. Wright
Dewitt Larvadain Wyble
Dickerson Lyons Young
Domangue Mack Zeringue
Echols Marcelle
Edmonston McCormick
Total - 97

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

- Mr. Speaker Emerson Myers
Bagley McFarland Owen
Bayham Moore
Total - 8

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Phelps, the rules were suspended in order to consider the following conference committee report which contains subject matter not confined to the disagreement between the two houses.

HOUSE BILL NO. 851— BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:71.3.1, relative to misappropriation without violence; to create the crime of tax sale property fraud; to provide for elements; to provide for penalties; to provide for definitions; to provide for legislative intent; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 30, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 851 by Representative Phelps recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

- 1. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Morris (#3800) be rejected.

2. That the following amendments be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 14:71.3.1" and before the comma ",", insert "and 71.3.2"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "sale" and before "property" insert "and tax lien"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 4, after "intent;" and before "and" insert "to provide for contingent effective dates;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, after line 21, add the following:

"Section 2. R.S. 14:71.3.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§71.3.2. Tax lien property fraud

A. It is unlawful for any person, in connection with the issuance of a tax sale certificate, tax lien certificate, or tax sale title to the property pursuant to R.S. 47:2132, 2155, or 2161, or in violation of R.S. 47:2158.1 or 2231.1, to knowingly do any of the following:

(1) Employ a device, scheme, or artifice with intent to defraud the tax debtor.

(2) Make an untrue statement of material fact with intent to defraud the tax debtor.

(3) Receive any portion of the monies, funds, credits, assets, securities, or other property of the tax debtor in connection with the purchase of either tax sale property or a delinquent obligation evidenced by a tax lien certificate.

B.(1) A person who violates the provisions of this Section shall be imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not more than two years, or may be fined not more than five thousand dollars, or both.

(2) In addition to the penalties provided in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, a person convicted under the provisions of this Section shall forfeit all rights and claims to possession of the delinquent obligation, tax lien certificate, or tax sale title to the property and shall be ordered to make full restitution to the victim and any other person who has suffered a financial loss as a result of the offense. If a person ordered to make restitution pursuant to this Section is found to be indigent and therefore unable to make restitution in full at the time of conviction, the court shall order a periodic payment plan consistent with the person's financial ability.

C. For the purposes of this Section:

(1) "Delinquent obligation" means statutory impositions included in the tax bill that are not paid by the due date, plus interest and costs that may accrue in accordance with law.

(2) "Person" means a natural or juridical person, including but not limited to a sole proprietorship, corporation, company, limited liability company, partnership, limited liability partnership, trust, incorporated or unincorporated association, or any other individual or entity.

(3) "Tax debtor", tax sale certificate, "tax sale property", and "tax sale title" shall have the same meanings as in R.S. 47:2122.

D. It is the intent of the legislature to encourage tax debtors to seek legal counsel in order to protect any ownership rights adversely affected by a violation of this Section.

Section 3. R.S. 14:71.3.1 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 4. This Section and Sections 1 and 5 of this Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Section and Sections 1 and 5 of this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

Section 5. Sections 2 and 3 of this Act shall become effective if the proposed amendment to Article VII, Section 25 of the Constitution of Louisiana contained in the Act which originated as Senate Bill No. 119 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature is adopted at a statewide election held on December 7, 2024, or if any proposed amendment to Article VII, Section 25 of the Constitution of Louisiana is adopted prior to January 1, 2026. If an amendment to Article VII, Section 25 of the Constitution of Louisiana is adopted, Sections 2 and 3 of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2026."

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Tammy T. Phelps
 Representative Nicholas Muscarello, Jr.
 Representative Debbie Villio
 Senator Caleb Seth Kleinpeter
 Senator Blake Miguez
 Senator John C. "Jay" Morris III

Rep. Phelps moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Edmonston	McCormick
Amedee	Egan	McMahen
Bacala	Farnum	McMakin
Bagley	Firment	Melerine
Bamburg	Fisher	Mena
Beaulieu	Fontenot	Miller
Berault	Freeman	Muscarello
Billings	Freiberg	Myers
Bourriaque	Gadberry	Newell
Boyd	Galle	Orgeron
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	LaCombe	Walters
Crews	LaFleur	Wilder
Davis	Landry, J.	Wiley
Deshotel	Landry, M.	Willard

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Dewitt	Larvadain	Wright
Dickerson	Lyons	Wyble
Domangue	Mack	Young
Echols	Marcelle	Zeringue
Total - 99		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Emerson	Moore
Bayham	McFarland	Owen
Total - 6		

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 874—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER

AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 320.1, relative to global positioning monitoring systems; to provide for registration; to provide relative to eligibility; to provide for submission of reports; to provide for penalties; to provide for a prohibition; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 30, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 874 by Representative Kerner recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Wheat (#3391) be adopted.
2. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Connick (#4272) be rejected.
3. That the following amendments be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 by Senator Wheat (#3391), on page 2, line 14, after "to the" and before "court" insert "bail agent on record and the"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 by Senator Wheat (#3391), on page 2, delete lines 27 through 35 in their entirety and insert the following:

~~"C.D.(4)~~ Any provider of an electronic monitoring service who intentionally withholds or intentionally fails to timely report information as required by this Section shall be subject to a civil fine of not more than one thousand dollars, imprisoned for not more than six months, and shall be prohibited from registering to provide electronic monitoring services in this state for a period of five years.

~~(2) The attorney general shall have the authority to pursue the civil fine imposed pursuant to this Subsection and may institute any civil action to prohibit any violator of this Subsection from providing~~

~~or registering to provide electronic monitoring services in this state for a period of five years."~~

AMENDMENT NO. 3

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 by Senator Wheat (#3391), on page 3, delete lines 13 through 19 in their entirety and insert the following:

"D. An elected official, or any immediate family member of an elected official, shall be prohibited from being a vendor, or having a financial interest in a vendor, for electronic monitoring services in this state."

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Timothy P. Kerner
 Representative John R. Illg, Jr.
 Representative Debbie Villio
 Senator Patrick Connick
 Senator John C. "Jay" Morris III
 Senator William "Bill" Wheat, Jr.

Rep. Kerner moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Egan	McMahan
Amedee	Emerson	McMakin
Bacala	Farnum	Melerine
Bagley	Firment	Mena
Bamburg	Fisher	Miller
Beaullieu	Fontenot	Myers
Berault	Freeman	Newell
Billings	Freiberg	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Gadberry	Owen
Boyd	Galle	Phelps
Boyer	Glorioso	Riser
Brass	Green	Romero
Braud	Hebert	Schamerhorn
Brown	Henry	Schlegel
Bryant	Hilferty	Selders
Butler	Horton	St. Blanc
Carlson	Hughes	Stagni
Carpenter	Illg	Tarver
Carrier	Jackson	Taylor
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Thomas
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Thompson
Carver	Jordan	Turner
Chassion	Kerner	Ventrella
Coates	Knox	Villio
Cox	LaCombe	Walters
Crews	LaFleur	Wilder
Davis	Landry, J.	Wiley
Deshotel	Landry, M.	Willard
Dewitt	Larvadain	Wright
Dickerson	Lyons	Wyble
Domangue	Mack	Young
Echols	Marcelle	Zeringue
Edmonston	McCormick	
Total - 98		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Geymann	Muscarello
Bayham	McFarland	
Chenevert	Moore	
Total - 7		

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Emerson, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider House Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments at this time.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions returned from the Senate with amendments to be concurred in by the House were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 873—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:44(A) and (B)(5)(b), 58(B)(2), 192(A)(1)(a), 402, 410.6, 410.7(A) and (C), 410.10, 467, 1285(B)(1)(a), 1309(M)(1)(a), 1401(B), 1406(B), 1407, 1409(B)(1) and (2), 1432(A)(1), 1483(8), 1491.6(B)(1), (2), and (4) and (C)(introductory paragraph), 1495.4(B)(1), (2), and (4) and (C)(introductory paragraph), 1501.1(C)(introductory paragraph), 1505.2(H)(3)(a), and Section 2 of Act No. 1 of the 2024 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, to enact R.S. 18:1483(3)(a)(iii), (21), and (22), and to repeal R.S. 18:467.1, relative to elections; to provide for dates for elections and qualifying; to change the timing of the annual canvass of voters; to provide for notice of the days of early voting at additional locations; to provide for election contests and related procedures; to provide relative to the death of candidates; to provide relative to qualifying; to provide for the duties of the Louisiana State Law Institute relative thereto; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to campaign finance contributions limitations and reporting requirements; to change the effective date of Act No. 1 of the 2024 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Re-Reengrossed House Bill No. 873 by Representative Emerson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 8, change "18:1483(3)(a)(iii), (21), and (22)," to "18:453(D) and 1483(3)(a)(iii), (21), and (22),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 11, after "procedures;" insert "to provide relative to dual candidacy;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 13, between lines 8 and 9, insert:

§453. Dual candidacy

* * *

D. The provisions of Subsection A shall also apply to prohibit a candidate seeking more than one office if the primary or general

election date for an office sought is to be held on the same date as another office's primary or general election date.

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SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Talbot to Re-Reengrossed House Bill No. 873 by Representative Emerson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 3, change "R.S. 18:1483(3)(a)(iii)," to "R.S. 18:453(D) and 1483(3)(a)(iii),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In Senate Committee Amendments designated #4072, in Amendment No. 3 proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs on May 22, 2024 and adopted by the Senate on May 23, 2024 on page 1, line 10, after "Subsection A" insert "of this Section"

Rep. Emerson moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be rejected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

Total - 101

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	McFarland
Carter, W.	Moore
Total - 4	

The amendments proposed by the Senate were rejected.

Conference committee appointment pending.

Conference Committee Reports for Consideration

The following Conference Committee Reports were taken up and acted upon as follows:

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Farnum, the rules were suspended in order to consider the following conference committee report which contains subject matter not confined to the disagreement between the two houses.

SENATE BILL NO. 111—
BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1667.1(A)(2)(a), relative to supplemental pay for certain law enforcement officers whose agency is headquartered in the city of Lake Charles under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 30, 2024

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate and to the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning Senate Bill No. 111 by Senator Abraham recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

- 1. That the House Floor Amendment proposed by Representative McFarland and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 20, 2024, be rejected.
- 2. That the following amendments to the engrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

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

"Wildlife and Fisheries, and headquartered in either the city of New Orleans; or Lake Charles, and who serves the welfare of the"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 11, add the following:

"Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Mark Abraham
Senator Edward J. "Ed" Price
Senator Mike Reese
Representative Les Farnum

Representative Jack G. McFarland
Representative Phillip Eric Tarver

Rep. Farnum moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Emerson	McMahan
Bacala	Farnum	McMakin
Bagley	Firment	Melerine
Bamburg	Fisher	Mena
Bayham	Fontenot	Miller
Beaullieu	Freeman	Muscarello
Berault	Freiberg	Myers
Billings	Gadberry	Newell
Bourriaque	Galle	Orgeron
Boyd	Geymann	Owen
Boyer	Glorioso	Phelps
Brass	Green	Riser
Braud	Hebert	Schlegel
Brown	Henry	Selders
Bryant	Hilferty	St. Blanc
Butler	Hughes	Stagni
Carlson	Illg	Tarver
Carpenter	Jackson	Taylor
Carrier	Johnson, M.	Thompson
Carter, R.	Johnson, T.	Turner
Carter, W.	Jordan	Ventrella
Carver	Kerner	Villio
Chassion	Knox	Walters
Chenevert	LaCombe	Wilder
Coates	LaFleur	Wiley
Cox	Landry, J.	Willard
Davis	Landry, M.	Wright
Deshotel	Larvadain	Wyble
Dewitt	Lyons	Young
Domangue	Mack	Zeringue
Echols	Marcelle	
Egan	McCormick	
Total - 94		

NAYS

Amedee	Edmonston	Thomas
Crews	Horton	
Dickerson	Schamerhorn	
Total - 7		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Moore
McFarland	Romero
Total - 4	

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

SENATE BILL NO. 355—
BY SENATOR STINE

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 2-C of Title 12 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 9:3580.1 through R.S. 9:3580.7, relative to litigation disclosure; to provide relative to financial disclosure; to provide relative to the creation of the "Transparency and Limitations on Foreign Third-Party Litigation Funding"; to provide for definitions, terms, and conditions; to provide for contract disclosures; to provide for violations and contracts; to provide for time limitations; to provide for certification formation; to provide relative to prohibitions for third-party funding; to provide for enforcement of foreign litigation; to provide relative to legislative reports; to

provide relative to prospective application; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 29, 2024

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate and to the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning Senate Bill No. 355 by Senator Stine recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the House Committee Amendments proposed by the House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 1, 2024, be adopted.
2. That Legislative Bureau Amendments proposed by the Legislative Bureau and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 1, 2024, be adopted.
3. That the House Floor Amendments No. 1, 2, and 3 by Representative Firment adopted by the House of Representatives on May 15, 2024, be adopted.
4. That the House Floor Amendment No. 4 by Representative Firment adopted by the House of Representatives on May 15, 2024, be rejected.
5. That the following amendments be made to the reengrossed bill:

AMENDMENT NO.1

"CHAPTER 2-D. LITIGATION FINANCING DISCLOSURE

§3580.10. Short title

This Chapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Litigation Financing Disclosure Act".

§3580.11. Definitions

For the purpose of this Chapter, the following terms have the meanings ascribed to them in this Section:

- (1) "Attorney" means an attorney, group of attorneys, or law firm who may be entitled to represent a person or persons in a civil action in this state.
- (2) "Litigation financier" means third-party litigation funder as defined in R.S. 9:3580.2(7).

(3)(a) "Litigation financing" means the financing, funding, advancing, or lending of money to pay for fees, costs, expenses, or an agreement to pay expenses directly related to pursuing the legal claim, administrative proceeding, claim, or cause of action if the financing, funding, advancing, or lending of money is provided by any person other than a person who is any of the following:

(i) A party to the civil action, administrative proceeding, claim, or cause of action.

(ii) An attorney engaged directly or indirectly through another legal representative to represent a party in the civil action, administrative proceeding, claim, or cause of action.

(iii) An entity or insurer with a preexisting contractual obligation to indemnify or defend a party to the civil action, administrative proceeding, claim, or cause of action or a health insurer which has paid, or is obligated to pay, any sums for health care for an injured person under the terms of any health insurance plan or agreement.

(b) Funds provided directly to a party solely for personal needs shall not be considered litigation financing if such funds are provided exclusively for personal and family use and not for legal filings, legal document preparation and drafting, appeals, creation of a litigation strategy, drafting testimony, and related litigation expenses.

(4) "Litigation financing contract or agreement" means a transaction in which litigation financing is provided to a party or a party's attorney in return for assigning to the litigation financier a right to receive an amount including payment of interest, fees, or any other consideration contingent in any respect on the outcome of the underlying claim or action. The term "litigation financing contract or agreement" does not include:

(a) Legal services provided to a party by an attorney on a contingency fee basis or legal costs advanced by an attorney when such services or costs are provided to or on behalf of a party by an attorney in the dispute and in accordance with the Louisiana Rules of Professional Conduct.

(b) The bills, receivables, or liens held by a healthcare provider or their assignee.

(c) Secured or unsecured loans made directly to a party or a party's attorney when repayment of the loan is not contingent upon the judgment, award, settlement, or verdict in a claim or action.

(d) Funding provided by a nonprofit organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code by grant or otherwise.

(5) "Party" means any person or entity or any attorney retained to represent such person or entity in an underlying civil action.

(6) "Proprietary information" shall mean information developed, created, or discovered by a party which became known by or was conveyed to the party which has commercial value in the party's business. "Proprietary information" shall include but not be limited to domain names, trade secrets, copyrights, ideas, techniques, inventions, whether patentable or not, and any other information of any type relating to designs, configurations, documentation, recorded data, schematics, circuits, mask works, layouts, source code, object code, master works, master databases, algorithms, flow charts, formulae, works of authorship, mechanisms, research, manufacture, improvements, assembly, installation, intellectual property including patents and patent applications, and the information concerning the entity's actual or anticipated business, research or development, or which is received in confidence by or for the entity from any other source.

§3580.12. Disclosure of financing agreements; discovery

A. A litigation financier with a litigation financing contract or agreement with the party shall not decide, influence, or direct the party or the party's attorney with respect to the conduct of the underlying civil proceeding or any settlement or resolution of the civil proceeding, or make any decision with respect to the conduct of the underlying civil proceeding or any settlement or resolution of the civil proceeding. The right to make these decisions remains solely with the party and the party's attorney in the civil proceeding.

B. The existence of a litigation financing contract or agreement is subject to discovery in accordance with the Code of Civil Procedure and Code of Evidence in all civil actions.

C. This Chapter shall not apply to nonprofit legal organizations funded by private donors that represent clients on a pro bono basis. Awards of costs or attorney fees to nonprofit legal organizations shall not be affected by this Chapter. This Chapter shall not be interpreted to require a nonprofit legal organization to disclose its donors or sources of funding."

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Jeremy P. Stine
Senator Franklin J. Foil
Senator Gregory A. Miller
Representative Nicholas Muscarello, Jr.
Representative Michael "Gabe" Firment
Representative Emily Chenevert

Rep. Chenevert moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

Total - 92

NAYS

Taylor
Total - 1

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker Dewitt Landry, M.
Carpenter Echols Moore
Carter, W. Geymann Orgeron
Chassion Johnson, M. Schlegel
Total - 12

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

Speaker DeVillier in the Chair

Suspension of the Rules

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

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

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

SENATE BILL NO. 237—

BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:1461, the introductory paragraph of 1464(9), 1464(9)(d) and (f), 1481(1), (4), and (6), 1482(A) and (B)(1), 1483(B)(6)(a) and (b), (C)(1)(c), and (E)(1)(c) and (2) and to repeal R.S. 3:1482(E) and 1483(D), relative to industrial hemp; to provide for the regulation of industrial hemp; to provide for powers and responsibilities of the commission and the commissioner; to provide for licensure; to provide for reports; to provide for consumable hemp products; to provide definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Schlegel to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 237 by Senator Pressly

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "amend and reenact" delete the remainder of the line, delete lines 3 and 4 in their entirety and insert the following:

"R.S. 3:1481, 1482(A), (B), (C), and (E), 1483(A), (B)(3) and (6), (C)(2), (E)(1) and (2), (F)(introductory paragraph), and (G)(1), and 1484, to enact R.S. 3:1483(C)(1)(d) and (G)(6) and 1485, and to repeal R.S. 3:1482(E) and 1483(C)(3) and (D), relative to industrial"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 10 after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 11 and 12 in their entirety and insert the following:

"R.S. 3:1481, 1482(A), (B), (C), and (E), 1483(A), (B)(3) and (6), (C)(2), (E)(1) and (2), (F)(introductory paragraph), and (G)(1), and 1484 are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 3:1483(C)(1)(d) and (G)(6) and 1485 are hereby enacted to read as follows:"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 13 through 17 in their entirety and delete pages 2 through 4 in their entirety and insert the following:

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(2) In addition to the qualifications required in R.S. 3:1485, an applicant for a consumable hemp processor permit shall meet any additional requirements for the physical consumable hemp processing facility and equipment as required by rules and regulations promulgated by the department.

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(a) Disaggregated THC components by percentage of the total THC contained in the product.

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(c) The total THC milligrams per serving.

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(a) The permit holder provides a sworn statement containing the following:

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(ii) The product meets any statutory requirements of the receiving state or territory for product and label approval, THC concentration, THC per serving, and serving per package.

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B. Any consumable hemp product that is manufactured, distributed, imported, or sold for use in Louisiana shall meet the following criteria:

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(6)(a) For consumable hemp products, a product shall not exceed a total delta-9 THC concentration of more than 0.3 percent or a total THC concentration of more than one percent. The total THC in a product shall not exceed eight milligrams per serving. The provisions of this Subparagraph shall not apply to floral hemp material the total THC shall not exceed five milligrams per serving. Individual servings and packages of consumable hemp product shall meet the following criteria:

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(c) Nonedible consumable hemp products shall not be subject to the individual serving and package requirements of this Paragraph.

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C.(1) All labels shall meet the following criteria in order to receive approval from the department.

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(d) Provide a warning that consumption of products with THC may result in failure of a drug test.

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(a) Any floral hemp material.

(b) Any consumable hemp product for inhalation including vapes, cartridges, extract, concentrate, oil or any other products that may reasonably be used for inhalation. Placement of "not for inhalation", "do not inhale", or similar language on the label, packaging or display area shall not prohibit a determination by the department that the product is designed or intended for inhalation.

(c) Any alcohol beverage regulated by the Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control that contains consumable hemp.

(d) Any other consumable hemp product packaged in a manner that makes the product more appealing to children, including the name of the product or any logo or mascot of the product that appears similar to that of commercially available candy or beverage products.

(e) Any other consumable hemp product that does not comply with the provisions of Subsection B of this Section.

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"E.(1) The application for approval and registration of a consumable hemp product shall include a certificate of analysis containing certifying the following information:

(a) The batch identification number, name of the product, date received, date of completion, and the method of analysis for each test conducted.

(b) Test results identifying:

(i) Solvents, pesticides, microbials, and heavy metals.

(ii) The cannabinoid profile by percentage of weight.

(c) A potency test of the final product indicating each THC component in the final product, the serving size, total THC per

...serving, total number of servings, and total THC per package, identified as milligrams per grams.

(2) The application for registration shall include a sworn verification that the product was produced from hemp in compliance with this Part. Acceptable forms of verification shall be determined by the department, and may but shall include a copy of the hemp grower or processor's license and a copy of the independent laboratory's license and certificate of accreditation.

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F. The certificate of analysis required by Subsection E of this Section shall be completed by an independent laboratory that meets the following criteria: accredited by the International Organization for Standardization or other laboratory accrediting entity approved by the department. A laboratory testing consumable hemp products shall be approved by the department. The department shall not approve a laboratory that has a direct or indirect interest in a grower, processor, wholesaler, or retailer of hemp or hemp products.

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G. The department shall:

(1) Conduct an initial review of any product submitted pursuant to this Section and notify the submitting party of any deficiencies existing which prevent the approval of the product within fifteen business days of the date of submission. If the department fails to notify the submitting party within fifteen sixty business days of the date of submission, the product may be sold by a wholesaler or retailer permitted pursuant to R.S. 3:1484 from the day following the fifteenth sixtieth business day until the submitting party receives final approval or denial from the department for the product.

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(6) Promulgate rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act establishing the requirements for independent laboratories that prepare certificates of analysis in accordance with Subsection F of this Section. The rules may address aspects of testing including but not limited to all of the following:

- (a) The preference for laboratories in this state.
- (b) The procedure for an on-site facility inspection.
- (c) The requirements and prerequisites for third-party entities that audit independent laboratories for compliance with ISO Standard 17025 or any other equivalent standard of an accredited entity approved by the department.

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§1484. Permit to sell; office of alcohol and tobacco control

A.(1) Each wholesaler of consumable hemp products shall apply for and obtain a permit from the office of alcohol and tobacco control. Wholesale permits issued pursuant to this Subsection shall be issued only to an applicant that also holds a valid wholesale permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:82 or a valid wholesale dealer permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:902(5).

(2) The commissioner may establish and collect an annual wholesaler permit fee. The amount of the wholesaler permit fee shall be based on the cost of the regulatory functions performed and shall not exceed five hundred dollars per year.

(3) A wholesaler permitted pursuant to this Subsection shall obtain and distribute only approved consumable hemp products from a consumable hemp processor permitted in accordance with R.S. 3:1483(A)(1). A wholesaler shall not offer any consumable hemp

product for resale except to a retailer that holds a valid consumable hemp product retail permit.

B.(1)(a) Each person who sells or is about to engage in the business of selling at retail, including remote retailers, any consumable hemp product shall first apply for and obtain a permit for each place of business from the office of alcohol and tobacco control.

(b) A permit to sell at retail consumable hemp products shall be issued only to retailers holding a valid retail dealers permit issued pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 26:902, a valid Class B permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71(A)(3)(b) or 271(A)(1)(b) with at least 17,500 square feet of dedicated retail space, or a valid Class C permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71.2 or 271.3. No retail permit authorized under the provisions of this Subsection shall be issued to an applicant that also holds any other retail permit to sell alcoholic beverages.

(c)(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, a remote retailer shall be eligible to apply for a retail permit to sell consumable hemp products at retail in this state.

(ii) An applicant to be remote retailer of consumable hemp products in this state shall meet the same qualifications as permitted retailers with a physical presence in the state and shall be registered to do business in the state with the Louisiana Secretary of State, except that a remote retailer shall not be required to hold a valid retail dealers permit issued pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 26:902, a valid Class B permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71(A)(3)(b) or 271(A)(1)(b) with at least 17,500 square feet of dedicated retail space, or a valid Class C permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71.2 or 271.3.

(iii) A remote retailer shall offer for retail sale only consumable hemp products approved by the department and obtained from a wholesaler permitted in accordance with this Part. The remote retailer shall be required to identify on its website the Louisiana permitted wholesaler from which the consumable hemp products offered for retail sale in the state of Louisiana by the remote retailer have been obtained.

(b)(iv) For purposes of this Section, each individually registered domain name owned or leased by or on behalf of a remote retailer shall be considered a place of business. No person or entity shall be required to have a physical place of business in the state of Louisiana in order to sell consumable hemp products at retail.

(2) Prior to selling consumable hemp products at a special event, the retailer shall request and promptly receive an annual special event permit from the commissioner. For purposes of this Section, a special event shall be defined as any event held at any location, other than a permitted place of business, where consumable hemp products are sold. The permitted shall notify the commissioner in writing of any special event the permitted will be attending prior to the event. Failure to notify the commissioner shall be grounds for revocation of the permit. No special event permit shall be issued for the retail sale of any consumable hemp product.

(3) No permit issued pursuant to this Section shall authorize the permitted to sell or offer for sale any cannabinoid product derived from any source other than hemp in accordance with this Part.

(4)(a) No consumable hemp product shall be sold to any person under the age of eighteen years.

(b) No adult-use consumable hemp product shall be sold to any person under the age of twenty-one years. A retailer permitted pursuant to this Section shall obtain consumable hemp products to sell at retail only from a wholesaler permitted pursuant to Subsection A of this Section.

C.(1) The commissioner may establish and collect an annual retail permit fee and an annual special event permit fee. The amount

of each permit fee provided for in this Subsection shall be based on the cost of the regulatory functions performed and shall not exceed one hundred seventy-five dollars per year.

(2) The commissioner may adopt rules and regulations to require permit and consumable hemp product signage at retail locations and marketing criteria for consumable hemp products.

D. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this Part or rules adopted pursuant to this Part who alters, forges, or counterfeits, or uses without authority any permit or other document provided for in this Part; who operates without a permit; or who fails to collect or to timely pay the assessments, fees, and penalties due or assessed pursuant to this Part shall be subject, in addition to any unpaid assessments, late fees, or collection costs, to the civil penalties provided in this Section. Each day on which a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense.

(1) For a first offense, not more than three hundred dollars.

(2) For a second offense that occurs within two years of the first offense, not more than one thousand dollars.

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E.(1) In addition to the penalties provided in Subsection D of this Section, any permitted who violates any provisions of this Part shall be subject to having his permit suspended or revoked. Any fine imposed pursuant to this Part or the revocation or suspension of a permit is in addition to and is not in lieu of or a limitation on the imposition of any other penalty provided by law.

(2) Any permit holder found to be in violation of an provision of this Part for a third offense that occurs within two years of the first offense shall have his permit revoked and shall be deemed ineligible to apply for or receive any permit authorized to be issued by this Part for a period of five years from the date of revocation.

F. In addition to the commissioner's authority to revoke or suspend a permit pursuant to this Section, the secretary of the Department of Revenue shall order the commissioner to immediately suspend the retailer's permit if the secretary determines that a consumable hemp product retailer has failed to timely file returns or pay taxes as required by R.S. 47:1693. The secretary shall order the commissioner to suspend the retailer's permit until the returns have been filed and the taxes are paid. No permit shall be suspended for taxes which have been properly protested or appealed by the retailer pursuant to R.S. 47:1565 or 1567.

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§1485. Permit holders; qualifications

An applicant for any permit issued pursuant to this Part shall demonstrate that he meets all of the following requirements:

(1) Be a person of good character and reputation and over the age of twenty-one.

(2) Has not been convicted of distributing or possessing with the intent to distribute any controlled dangerous substance classified in Schedule I of R.S. 40:964, on any premises permitted pursuant to this Part, where the applicant held or holds an interest in the permitted business.

(3) Has not been convicted of a felony under the laws of the United States, the state of Louisiana, or any other state or country.

(4) Has not been convicted in this or in any other state or by the United States of soliciting for prostitution, pandering, letting premises for prostitution, contributing to the delinquency of juveniles, keeping a disorderly place, letting a disorderly place, or illegally dealing in controlled dangerous substances.

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Section 3. This Act shall become effective on October 1, 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 October 1, 2024 whichever is later."

Motion

Rep. Marcelle moved to grant the author an additional five minutes to debate the bill.

Rep. Henry objected.

By a vote of 54 yeas and 31 nays, the motion failed to pass.

Acting Speaker Emerson in the Chair

Speaker DeVillier in the Chair

Motion

Rep. Amedee moved the previous question be ordered on the amendment, which motion was agreed to.

Rep. Schlegel moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Miller objected.

By a vote of 39 yeas and 60 nays, the amendments were rejected.

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Villio to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 237 by Senator Pressly

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(b) Any consumable hemp product for inhalation including vapes, cartridges, extract, concentrate, oil or any other products that may reasonably be used for inhalation. Placement of "not for inhalation", "do not inhale", or similar language on the label, packaging or display area shall not prohibit a determination by the department that the product is designed or intended for inhalation.

(c) Any alcohol beverage regulated by the Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control that contains consumable hemp.

(d) Any other consumable hemp product packaged in a manner that makes the product more appealing to children, including the name of the product or any logo or mascot of the product that appears similar to that of commercially available candy or beverage products.

(e) Any other consumable hemp product that does not comply with the provisions of Subsection B of this Section.

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"E.(1) The application for approval and registration of a consumable hemp product shall include a certificate of analysis containing certifying the following information:

(a) The batch identification number, name of the product, date received, date of completion, and the method of analysis for each test conducted.

(b) Test results identifying:

(i) Solvents, pesticides, microbials, and heavy metals.

(ii) The cannabinoid profile by percentage of weight.

(c) A potency test of the final product indicating each THC component in the final product, the serving size, total THC per serving, total number of servings, and total THC per package, identified as milligrams per grams.

(2) The application for registration shall include a sworn verification that the product was produced from hemp in compliance with this Part. Acceptable forms of verification shall be determined by the department, and may but shall include a copy of the hemp grower or processor's license and a copy of the independent laboratory's license and certificate of accreditation.

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F. The certificate of analysis required by Subsection E of this Section shall be completed by an independent laboratory that meets the following criteria: accredited by the International Organization for Standardization or other laboratory accrediting entity approved by the department. A laboratory testing consumable hemp products shall be approved by the department. The department shall not approve a laboratory that has a direct or indirect interest in a grower, processor, wholesaler, or retailer of hemp or hemp products.

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G. The department shall:

(1) Conduct an initial review of any product submitted pursuant to this Section and notify the submitting party of any deficiencies existing which prevent the approval of the product within fifteen business days of the date of submission. If the department fails to notify the submitting party within ~~fifteen~~ sixty business days of the date of submission, the product may be sold by a wholesaler or retailer permitted pursuant to R.S. 3:1484 from the day following the ~~fifteenth~~ sixtieth business day until the submitting party receives final approval or denial from the department for the product.

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(6) Promulgate rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act establishing the requirements for independent laboratories that prepare certificates of analysis in accordance with Subsection F of this Section. The rules may address aspects of testing including but not limited to all of the following:

(a) The preference for laboratories in this state.

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§1484. Permit to sell; office of alcohol and tobacco control

A.(1) Each wholesaler of consumable hemp products shall apply for and obtain a permit from the office of alcohol and tobacco control. Wholesale permits issued pursuant to this Subsection shall be issued only to an applicant that also holds a valid wholesale permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:82 or a valid wholesale dealer permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:902(5).

(2) The commissioner may establish and collect an annual wholesaler permit fee. The amount of the wholesaler permit fee shall be based on the cost of the regulatory functions performed and shall not exceed five hundred dollars per year.

(3) A wholesaler permitted pursuant to this Subsection shall obtain and distribute only approved consumable hemp products from a consumable hemp processor permitted in accordance with R.S. 3:1483(A)(1). A wholesaler shall not offer any consumable hemp product for resale except to a retailer that holds a valid consumable hemp product retail permit.

B.(1)(a) Each person who sells or is about to engage in the business of selling at retail, including remote retailers, any consumable hemp product shall first apply for and obtain a permit for each place of business from the office of alcohol and tobacco control.

(b) A permit to sell at retail consumable hemp products shall be issued only to retailers holding a valid retail dealers permit issued pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 26:902, a valid Class B permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71(A)(3)(b) or 271(A)(1)(b) with at least 17,500 square feet of dedicated retail space, or a valid Class C permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71.2 or 271.3. No retail permit authorized under the provisions of this Subsection shall be issued to an applicant that also holds any other retail permit to sell alcoholic beverages.

(c)(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, a remote retailer shall be eligible to apply for a retail permit to sell consumable hemp products at retail in this state.

(ii) An applicant to be remote retailer of consumable hemp products in this state shall meet the same qualifications as permitted retailers with a physical presence in the state and shall be registered to do business in the state with the Louisiana Secretary of State, except that a remote retailer shall not be required to hold a valid retail dealers permit issued pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 26:902, a valid Class B permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71(A)(3)(b) or 271(A)(1)(b) with at least five thousand square feet of dedicated retail space, or a valid Class C permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71.2 or 271.3.

(iii) A remote retailer shall offer for retail sale only consumable hemp products approved by the department and obtained from a wholesaler permitted in accordance with this Part. The remote retailer shall be required to identify on its website the Louisiana permitted wholesaler from which the consumable hemp products offered for retail sale in the state of Louisiana by the remote retailer have been obtained.

(b)(iv) For purposes of this Section, each individually registered domain name owned or leased by or on behalf of a remote retailer shall be considered a place of business. No person or entity shall be required to have a physical place of business in the state of Louisiana in order to sell consumable hemp products at retail.

~~(2) Prior to selling consumable hemp products at a special event, the retailer shall request and promptly receive an annual special event permit from the commissioner. For purposes of this Section, a special event shall be defined as any event held at any location, other than a permitted place of business, where consumable hemp products are sold. The permitted shall notify the commissioner in writing of any special event the permitted will be attending prior to the event. Failure to notify the commissioner shall be grounds for revocation of the permit. No special event permit shall be issued for the retail sale of any consumable hemp product.~~

(3) No permit issued pursuant to this Section shall authorize the permitted to sell or offer for sale any cannabinoid product derived from any source other than hemp in accordance with this Part.

(4)(a) No consumable hemp product shall be sold to any person under the age of eighteen years.

(b) No adult-use consumable hemp product shall be sold to any person under the age of twenty-one years. A retailer permitted pursuant to this Section shall obtain consumable hemp products to sell at retail only from a wholesaler permitted pursuant to Subsection A of this Section.

C.(1) The commissioner may establish and collect an annual retail permit fee and an annual special event permit fee. The amount of each permit fee provided for in this Subsection shall be based on the cost of the regulatory functions performed and shall not exceed one hundred seventy-five dollars per year.

(2) The commissioner may adopt rules and regulations to require permit and consumable hemp product signage at retail locations and marketing criteria for consumable hemp products.

D. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this Part or rules adopted pursuant to this Part who alters, forges, or counterfeits, or uses without authority any permit or other document provided for in this Part; who operates without a permit; or who fails to collect or to timely pay the assessments, fees, and penalties due or assessed pursuant to this Part shall be subject, in addition to any unpaid assessments, late fees, or collection costs, to the civil penalties provided in this Section. Each day on which a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense.

(1) For a first offense, not more than three hundred dollars.

(2) For a second offense that occurs within two years of the first offense, not more than one thousand dollars.

(3) For a third or subsequent offense that occurs within two years of the first offense, not less than five hundred dollars but not more than three thousand dollars.

E.(1) In addition to the penalties provided in Subsection D of this Section, any permitted who violates any provisions of this Part shall be subject to having his permit suspended or revoked. Any fine imposed pursuant to this Part or the revocation or suspension of a permit is in addition to and is not in lieu of or a limitation on the imposition of any other penalty provided by law.

(2) Any permit holder found to be in violation of an provision of this Part for a third offense that occurs within two years of the first offense shall have his permit revoked and shall be deemed ineligible to apply for or receive any permit authorized to be issued by this Part for a period of five years from the date of revocation.

F. In addition to the commissioner's authority to revoke or suspend a permit pursuant to this Section, the secretary of the Department of Revenue shall order the commissioner to immediately suspend the retailer's permit if the secretary determines that a consumable hemp product retailer has failed to timely file returns or pay taxes as required by R.S. 47:1693. The secretary shall order the

commissioner to suspend the retailer's permit until the returns have been filed and the taxes are paid. No permit shall be suspended for taxes which have been properly protested or appealed by the retailer pursuant to R.S. 47:1565 or 1567.

G. The office of alcohol and tobacco control shall investigate any report of a violation of a provision of this Part and report any criminal violation to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

H. The commissioner shall adopt rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of this Section. The rules shall not include any fees or penalties for any permit not provided for in this Section, or any requirements for proof of Louisiana residency, criminal background checks, diagrams of retail premises, or proof of lease or ownership of any retail establishment.

§1485. Permit holders; qualifications

An applicant for any permit issued pursuant to this Part shall demonstrate that he meets all of the following requirements:

(1) Be a person of good character and reputation and over the age of twenty-one.

(2) Has not been convicted of distributing or possessing with the intent to distribute any controlled dangerous substance classified in Schedule I of R.S. 40:964, on any premises permitted pursuant to this Part, where the applicant held or holds an interest in the permitted business.

(3) Has not been convicted of a felony under the laws of the United States, the state of Louisiana, or any other state or country.

(4) Has not been convicted in this or in any other state or by the United States of soliciting for prostitution, pandering, letting premises for prostitution, contributing to the delinquency of juveniles, keeping a disorderly place, letting a disorderly place, or illegally dealing in controlled dangerous substances.

(5) Does not owe the state or the local governmental subdivisions in which the application is made any delinquent sales taxes, penalties, or interest excluding items under formal appeal.

Section 2. R.S. 3:1482(E), 1483(C)(3) and (D) are hereby repealed in their entirety.

Section 3. This Act shall become effective on October 1, 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 October 1, 2024 whichever is later."

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

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Villio to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 237 by Senator Pressly

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "amend and reenact" delete the remainder of the line, delete lines 3 and 4 in their entirety and insert the following:

"R.S. 3:1481, 1482(A), (B), (C), and (E), 1483(A), (B)(3) and (6), (C)(2), (E)(1) and (2), (F)(introductory paragraph), and (G)(1), and 1484, to enact R.S. 3:1483(C)(1)(d) and (G)(6) and 1485, and to repeal R.S. 3:1482(E) and 1483(C)(3) and (D), relative to industrial"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 10 after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 11 and 12 in their entirety and insert the following:

"R.S. 3:1481, 1482(A), (B), (C), and (E), 1483(A), (B)(3) and (6), (C)(2), (E)(1) and (2), (F)(introductory paragraph), and (G)(1), and 1484 are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 3:1483(C)(1)(d) and (G)(6) and 1485 are hereby enacted to read as follows:"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 13 through 17 in their entirety and delete pages 2 through 4 in their entirety and insert the following:

"§1481. Definitions

As used in this Part:

(1) "Adult-use consumable hemp product" means any consumable hemp product that contains more than 0.5 milligrams of total THC per package.

(2) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the office of alcohol and tobacco control.

(2) "Consumable hemp processor" means any individual, partnership, corporation, cooperative association, or other business entity that receives industrial hemp for the manufacturing or processing of in a consumable hemp product.

(3)(a) "Consumable hemp product" means any product derived from industrial hemp that contains any cannabinoid, including cannabidiol or THC, and is intended for consumption or topical use.

(b) "Consumable hemp product" shall include commercial feed; and pet products; and hemp floral material.

(c) "Consumable hemp product" shall not include any non-intoxicating product derived from industrial hemp that is free of all THC or any product manufactured or processed utilizing hemp fiber for commercial or industrial use, including textiles, building materials, clothing, paper, bioplastics, biofuel, insulation, or other similar products not intended for human consumption.

(4) "Department" means the Louisiana Department of Health.

(5) "Industrial hemp" or "hemp" means the plant Cannabis sativa L. and any part of that plant, including the seeds thereof and all derivatives, extracts, cannabinoids, isomers, acids, salts, and salts of isomers, whether growing or not, with a total delta-9 THC concentration of not more than 0.3 percent on a dry weight basis.

(6) "Package" means a container or wrapping in which any consumer commodity is enclosed for the purpose of delivery or display of that commodity to retail purchasers and contains one or more servings group of individual servings offered together as a single unit.

(7) "Remote retailer" means a person or entity who offers any consumable hemp product for sale at retail, or for any transaction of products in lieu of a sale, through a digital application, catalog, or the internet, that can be purchased and delivered directly to a consumer in Louisiana.

(8) "Retail sale" or "sale at retail" means the sale or any transaction in lieu of a sale of products to the public for use or consumption but does not include the sale or any transaction in lieu of a sale of products for resale.

~~(9)~~ (9) "Retailer" means a person or entity who offers permitted to sell any consumable hemp product for sale at retail.

~~(10)~~ (10) "Serving" means the total amount of individual units or amount of liquid of a product recommended by the manufacturer to of a consumable hemp product measured in grams, ounces, pieces, or numbers that may be consumed at a single time that does not contain an amount greater than the allowable total THC.

~~(11)~~ (11) "State plan" means a plan required for approval by the United States Secretary of Agriculture to monitor and regulate the production of hemp.

~~(12)~~ (12) "THC" means a any combination of tetrahydrocannabinol, and tetrahydrocannabinolic acid, THC component, or any derivative thereof.

(13) "THC component" means any naturally occurring cannabinoid component of industrial hemp or hemp.

(14) "Total THC" means any combination of tetrahydrocannabinol, tetrahydrocannabinolic acid, THC component, or any derivative thereof.

~~(15)~~ (15) "Wholesaler" means a wholesale seller, distributor, or packer of permitted to distribute consumable hemp products to retailers.

§1482. Consumable hemp products; prohibitions

A. (1) No person shall process, distribute, sell, or offer for sale any consumable hemp product without a permit required by this Part.

(2) No person shall sell or offer for sale at retail any part of hemp for inhalation, except for hemp rolling papers consumable hemp product over-the-counter in a retail establishment or for on-premises consumption.

(3) No person shall sell or offer for sale at retail any consumable hemp product to any person under the age of twenty-one. A retailer shall verify the age of any person attempting to purchase or receive a consumable hemp product prior to the sales transaction of the product. A retailer shall require a purchaser to produce a valid federal or state issued photo identification card or a digitized identification card as defined in R.S. 51:3211.

B. No person shall process, distribute, sell, or offer for sale:

(1) Any alcoholic beverage containing cannabidiol any consumable hemp product.

(2) Any consumable hemp product without a license or permit required pursuant to this Part for inhalation.

(3) Any floral hemp material.

(4) Any product that has not received approval from the Louisiana Department of Health in accordance with R.S. 3:1483.

C. (1) No retailer shall add any consumable hemp product to any food or beverage sold at retail to a consumer.

(2) No consumable hemp processor shall use any distillate or concentrate containing any derivative of a THC component that is not a naturally occurring cannabinoid to produce a consumable hemp product.

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E. The provisions of this Part shall be preempted by any federal statute, federal regulation, or guidance from a federal government agency that is less more restrictive than the provisions of this Part.

§1483. Product approval; consumable hemp processors; Louisiana Department of Health

A.(1) Each consumable hemp processor shall obtain an annual consumable hemp processor permit issued by the department. The department shall charge and collect an annual consumable hemp processor permit fee. The fee shall be for each separate processing facility and shall be based on the annual sales of such facility, including sales delivered or transported beyond the border of this state according to the following schedule:

Annual Sales	Annual Fee
Under \$500,000	\$175.00
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	\$475.00
\$1,000,001 - \$2,500,000	\$775.00
\$2,500,001 - \$5,000,000	\$1,075.00
Over \$5,000,000	\$1,375.00

(2) In addition to the qualifications required in R.S. 3:1485, an applicant for a consumable hemp processor permit shall meet any additional requirements for the physical consumable hemp processing facility and equipment as required by rules and regulations promulgated by the department.

(3) A consumable hemp processor shall test the distillate or concentrate used to produce a consumable hemp product. The test shall detect the presence and concentration of THC components, solvents, pesticides, microbial, and heavy metals.

(4) A consumable hemp processor shall conduct a potency test on each batch of consumable hemp product that shall indicate all of the following:

(a) Disaggregated THC components by percentage of the total THC contained in the product.

(b) The serving size of an individual unit of the product.

(c) The total THC milligrams per serving.

(5) A consumable hemp processor shall retain the records of each test for a minimum of three years.

(6) A consumable hemp processor who obtains a processor permit pursuant to this Section shall be prohibited from obtaining a wholesale or retail permit issued by the Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control pursuant to R.S. 3:1484.

(7) A consumable hemp processor shall adhere to any sanitary regulations promulgated by the department.

(8) The department may approve a permitted consumable hemp processor to produce consumable hemp products that exceed the allowable total THC per serving and package size required for product approval in Paragraph (6) of the Subsection if all of the following are met:

(a) The permit holder provides a sworn statement containing the following:

(i) The product will be delivered or transported beyond the borders of this state.

(ii) The product meets any statutory requirements of the receiving state or territory for product and label approval, THC concentration, THC per serving, and serving per package.

(b) The permit holder conducts the same tests required on distillates and concentrates utilized in processing for the presence and concentration of solvents, pesticides, microbial, and heavy metals.

(c) The permit holder agrees to maintain records of each product delivered or transported beyond the boundaries of the state distinct from those delivered or transported within the state, including the batch identification number and name of the product, the receiving state or territory, for a minimum of three years.

B. Any consumable hemp product that is manufactured, distributed, imported, or sold for use in Louisiana shall meet the following criteria:

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(3) Receive product and label approval from the department.

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~~(6)(a) For consumable hemp products, a product shall not exceed a total delta-9 THC concentration of more than 0.3 percent or a total THC concentration of more than one percent. The total THC in a product shall not exceed eight milligrams per serving. The provisions of this Subparagraph shall not apply to floral hemp material the total THC shall not exceed five milligrams per serving. Individual servings and packages of consumable hemp product shall meet the following criteria:~~

~~(b) (a) For floral hemp material, a product shall not exceed a total delta-9 THC concentration of more than 0.3 percent on a dry weight basis or a total THC concentration of more than one percent on a dry weight basis. For products other than beverages, each serving shall be distinct from other servings contained in the same package. A package for products other than beverages shall be child-resistant and shall not contain more than eight servings.~~

~~(c) (b) Any consumable hemp product that exceeds the THC limits provided in this Paragraph that was registered with the department prior to June 16, 2022 may be sold in Louisiana until January 1, 2023. A single serving of a consumable hemp beverage shall not be less than twelve ounces. Each serving shall be in an individual, tamper-evident container and distinct from other servings contained in the same package. A package of beverages shall not contain more than four individual containers.~~

(c) Nonedible consumable hemp products shall not be subject to the individual serving and package requirements of this Paragraph.

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C.(1) All labels shall meet the following criteria in order to receive approval from the department.

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(d) Provide a warning that consumption of products with THC may result in failure of a drug test.

~~(2) Any adult-use consumable hemp product shall be identified as such on the label. The department shall not approve any of the following:~~

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(b) Test results identifying:

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(c) A potency test of the final product indicating each THC component in the final product, the serving size, total THC per serving, total number of servings, and total THC per package, identified as milligrams per grams.

(2) The application for registration shall include a sworn verification that the product was produced from hemp in compliance with this Part. Acceptable forms of verification shall be determined by the department, and may but shall include a copy of the hemp grower or processor's license and a copy of the independent laboratory's license and certificate of accreditation.

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F. The certificate of analysis required by Subsection E of this Section shall be completed by an independent laboratory ~~that meets the following criteria:~~ accredited by the International Organization for Standardization or other laboratory accrediting entity approved by the department. A laboratory testing consumable hemp products shall be approved by the department. The department shall not approve a laboratory that has a direct or indirect interest in a grower, processor, wholesaler, or retailer of hemp or hemp products.

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(6) Promulgate rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act establishing the requirements for independent laboratories that prepare certificates of analysis in accordance with Subsection F of this Section. The rules may address aspects of testing including but not limited to all of the following:

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(2) The commissioner may establish and collect an annual wholesaler permit fee. The amount of the wholesaler permit fee shall be based on the cost of the regulatory functions performed and shall not exceed five hundred dollars per year.

(3) A wholesaler permitted pursuant to this Subsection shall obtain and distribute only approved consumable hemp products from a consumable hemp processor permitted in accordance with R.S. 3:1483(A)(1). A wholesaler shall not offer any consumable hemp product for resale except to a retailer that holds a valid consumable hemp product retail permit.

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(c)(i) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, a remote retailer shall be eligible to apply for a retail permit to sell consumable hemp products at retail in this state.

(ii) An applicant to be remote retailer of consumable hemp products in this state shall meet the same qualifications as permitted retailers with a physical presence in the state and shall be registered to do business in the state with the Louisiana Secretary of State, except that a remote retailer shall not be required to hold a valid retail dealers permit issued pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 26:902, a valid Class B permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71(A)(3)(b) or 271(A)(1)(b) with at least five thousand square feet of dedicated retail space, or a valid Class C permit issued pursuant to R.S. 26:71.2 or 271.3.

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H. The commissioner shall adopt rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of this Section. The rules shall not include any fees or penalties for any permit not provided for in this Section, or any requirements for proof of Louisiana residency, criminal background checks, diagrams of retail premises, or proof of lease or ownership of any retail establishment.

§1485. Permit holders; qualifications

An applicant for any permit issued pursuant to this Part shall demonstrate that he meets all of the following requirements:

(1) Be a person of good character and reputation and over the age of twenty-one.

(2) Has not been convicted of distributing or possessing with the intent to distribute any controlled dangerous substance classified in Schedule I of R.S. 40:964, on any premises permitted pursuant to this Part, where the applicant held or holds an interest in the permitted business.

(3) Has not been convicted of a felony under the laws of the United States, the state of Louisiana, or any other state or country.

(4) Has not been convicted in this or in any other state or by the United States of soliciting for prostitution, pandering, letting premises for prostitution, contributing to the delinquency of juveniles, keeping a disorderly place, letting a disorderly place, or illegally dealing in controlled dangerous substances.

(5) Does not owe the state or the local governmental subdivisions in which the application is made any delinquent sales taxes, penalties, or interest excluding items under formal appeal.

Section 2. R.S. 3:1482(E), 1483(C)(3) and (D) are hereby repealed in their entirety.

Section 3. This Act shall become effective on October 1, 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 October 1, 2024 whichever is later."

Rep. Villio moved the adoption of the amendments.

Rep. Hughes objected.

Motion

Rep. Marcelle moved the previous question be ordered on the amendment, which motion was agreed to.

By a vote of 41 yeas and 55 nays, the amendments were rejected.

Motion

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

Petitions, Memorials, and Communications

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

Conference Committee Appointment

The Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement to House Bill No. 467: Reps. Coates, Romero, and Butler.

Conference Committee Appointment

The Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement to House Bill No. 873: Reps. Emerson, Beaulieu, and Thomas.

Recess

On motion of Rep. Bacala, the Speaker declared the House at recess until 2:30 P.M.

After Recess

Speaker Pro Tempore Michael Johnson called the House to order at 3:11 P.M.

House Business Resumed

Suspension of the Rules

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

Petitions, Memorials, and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

HOUSE BILLS

May 31, 2024

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

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

House Bill No. 89
Returned without amendments

House Bill No. 116
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 142
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 398
Returned with amendments

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Concurrent Resolution No. 35: Senators Miguez, Fields and Kleinpeter.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 316: Senators Reese, Harris and Talbot.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 467: Senators Kleinpeter, Cathey and Womack.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 767: Senators Talbot, Seabaugh and Fields.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 803: Senators Miller, Luneau and Seabaugh.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 873: Senators Talbot, Seabaugh and Miguez.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 976: Senators Hensgens, Luneau and Talbot.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 116: Senators Jackson-Andrews, Kleinpeter and Morris.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 119: Senators Miller, Foil and Luneau.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 131: Senators Miller, Allain and Womack.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 265: Senators Womack, Miller and Stine.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate
APPOINTMENT OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 318: Senators Womack, Foil and Reese.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate
ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 353.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate
ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 411.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate
ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 418.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate
ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 426.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate
ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 492.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate
ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 792.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate
ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 934.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 966.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 111.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 137.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 306.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to Senate Bill No. 355.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted and asks your concurrence in the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

Senate Concurrent Resolution Nos. 79, 80, 81 and 82

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

**Senate Concurrent Resolutions
Lying Over**

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions contained in the message were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 79—

BY SENATOR HODGES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to conduct an engineering study on the upper Amite River Basin and evaluate all areas with the potential capacity to detain or retain stormwater runoff through a system of structures.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 80—

BY SENATOR CATHEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Jim Harper for his accomplishments as president of the Farm Bureau.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 81—
BY SENATOR HODGES AND REPRESENTATIVE BAMBURG
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create and provide for the Task Force on the Use of the American College Test for Accountability to study and make recommendations to the legislature with respect to the use of the American College Test by public school systems as a measure of high school performance for all public school students in grades eleven and twelve.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 82—
BY SENATOR WOMACK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create the Public Projects Payment Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the Louisiana Public Works Act, R.S. 38:2241 et seq., for the purpose of facilitating and improving the timeliness of payments made by public entities to general contractors.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

Suspension of the Rules

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

Petitions, Memorials, and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has concurred in the following House Concurrent Resolutions:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 57
Returned without amendments

House Concurrent Resolution No. 135
Returned without amendments

House Concurrent Resolution No. 136
Returned without amendments

House Concurrent Resolution No. 137
Returned without amendments

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

HOUSE BILLS

May 31, 2024

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

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

House Bill No. 453
Returned without amendments

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

SIGNED SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has signed the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

Senate Concurrent Resolution Nos. 39, 77 and 78

and ask the Speaker of the House of Representatives to affix his signature to the same.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

The Senate Concurrent Resolutions contained herein were signed by the Speaker of the House.

Message from the Senate

SIGNED SENATE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has signed the following Senate Bills:

Senate Bill Nos. 68, 75, 110, 177, 280, 313, 413, 429, 462, 477, 489, 497, 505, 507 and 509

and ask the Speaker of the House of Representatives to affix his signature to the same.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

The Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions contained herein were signed by the Speaker of the House.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

May 31, 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 Bills have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE BILL NO. 39—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:1006(D) and 1007(A)(1), (B), (C), (D), and (F) and to repeal R.S. 11:1007(C)(3), relative to the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System; to provide for reemployment of retired bus drivers; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 295—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON AND SENATORS CLOUD, JACKSON-ANDREWS, AND JENKINS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2740.70.6, relative to the city of Shreveport; to create the Shreveport I-20 Economic Development District; to provide relative to the boundaries, purpose, governance, and powers and duties of the district; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 372—
BY REPRESENTATIVES CREWS, CHASSION, AND KNOX
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 36:259(B)(20) and R.S. 40:1134, relative to the transfer of a patient from a ground ambulance provider to a hospital; to create the Ambulance Patient Offload Delay Collaborative; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for requirements of the bureau of emergency medical services; to provide for requirements of the collaborative; to provide for reporting; to provide for rulemaking; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 374—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:2116(B)(7), relative to facility need review; to require facility need review for certain healthcare providers; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 506—
BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:18(A)(9) and 1461.7(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 18:2(16) and (17), 119, and 1461.2(A)(10), relative to voter registration drives; to require registration of persons conducting voter registration drives; to require acknowledgment of the laws relative to voter registration; to provide for the duties of the secretary of state relative thereto; to provide for definitions; to provide for a criminal offense related to filling out a voter registration form; to provide relative to the criminal offense of failing to timely submit a completed voter registration form to a registrar of voters; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 646—
BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2212(P)(1)(a) and to enact R.S. 38:2212(C)(5), relative to contract limitations and enforcements for the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism projects; to provide for a contract limit for public work projects to be completed by the Department of Culture, Recreation and

Tourism; to remove the ten day time frame for a public entity to post notice of a public emergency in its official journal; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 728—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DAVIS, BRASS, CARPENTER, CARVER, EDMONSTON, FREIBERG, OWEN, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, LACOMBE, CHASSION, AND KNOX
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3047.2(A)(1), relative to the M.J. Foster Promise Program; to provide relative to eligibility requirements; to lower the minimum age required for initial qualification for a program award; to provide for the phasing in of the lowered age requirement over time; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 738—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 49:191(4) and to repeal R.S. 49:191(12)(f), relative to the Department of Transportation and Development, including provisions to provide for the re-creation of the Department of Transportation and Development and the statutory entities made a part of the department by law; to provide for the effective termination date for all statutory authority for the existence of such statutory entities; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 748—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DOMANGUE AND TAYLOR AND SENATOR FESI
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:31.35(C), relative to the fee for a commercial seafood permit; to modify fees assessed to commercial seafood plants and distributors; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 879—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 45:163(D), relative to insurance and indemnity bonds; to eliminate the requirement for a three thousand dollar C.O.D. bond from common carriers of freight by motor vehicles; to require trucks transporting specific products to carry specific insurance coverages; to require certain coverage amounts on trucks transporting waste; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 925—
BY REPRESENTATIVES MACK AND KNOX
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 24:513.5, relative to the legislative auditor; to require certain political subdivisions to report to the auditor on outstanding judgments; to require the auditor to report to the governor and the legislature; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 972 (Substitute for House Bill No. 959 by Representative Deshotel)—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DESHOTEL, BAGLEY, BERAULT, CARVER, CHASSION, DOMANGUE, EGAN, FREIBERG, GREEN, MIKE JOHNSON, LACOMBE, MCFARLAND, NEWELL, OWEN, SELDERS, STAGNI, WILDER, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:1275.2, relative to licenses authorized by certain departments, boards, commissions, and offices; to allow the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners to grant certain licenses; to provide for requirements for international medical graduates; to limit certain practices; to provide for licensure of certain physicians; to require rule promulgation; and to provide for related matters.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY
Chairwoman

The above House Bills contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken to the Senate by the Clerk and were signed by the President of the Senate and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Governor for executive approval.

Conference Committee Reports Received

Conference Committee Reports were received for the following legislative instruments:

House Bill No. 47 and 971

Senate Bill No. 131 and 371

The Conference Committee Reports for the above legislative instruments lie over under the rules.

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. 327—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

A RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the office of motor vehicles to exercise greater discretion in the issuance of both temporary tags and permanent license plates and Louisiana State Police to increase enforcement to deter the influx of fictitious license plates in Louisiana.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 328—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKAMIN

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Catholic High School baseball team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association 2024 Division I Select state championship.

Read by title.

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments

Rep. McMakin asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up at this time the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions just returned from the Senate, with amendments to be concurred in by the House, with a view of acting on the same:

HOUSE BILL NO. 116—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKAMIN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:11 and 32(D), relative to the confidential nature of personnel records of public employees; to provide relative to a public employee's expectation of privacy; to provide for the action to enforce disclosure of personnel records; to provide for the confidentiality of certain information in evaluation reports; to provide relative to the disclosure of the home address of certain public employees; to provide for the statement of a reason for non-disclosure; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Engrossed House Bill No. 116 by Representative McMakin

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 18, delete "liberally so as"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 1, after "records" delete "and" and on line 2, delete "shall be"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, between lines 18 and 19, insert:

"(6) Information required to be kept confidential pursuant to federal law.

"(7) Information that may put the employee or another employee at risk of harm."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 24 change "refer" to "cite solely"

Rep. McMakin moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

Total - 90

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NAYS

Carpenter
Total - 1

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Glorioso	McFarland
Bamburg	Jordan	Moore
Bryant	Larvadain	Selders
Carter, W.	Lyons	Wiley
Emerson	Mack	
Total - 14		

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

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.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miguez to Reengrossed House Bill No. 142 by Representative Beaulieu

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 17, change "fifty" to "fifty", and delete "ninety-nine", and change ", provided that there shall" to ", provided that there shall"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 18 and 19 in their entirety and insert "be a provision for periodic adjustments of the rental rate, commensurate with economic conditions, during the fifty-year term."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

"(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the authority may enter into leases having a term, including all renewal terms, not to exceed ninety-nine years in the aggregate. The provisions of this Subparagraph shall only apply to higher education entities and private sector partners recruited by higher education entities evidenced by an agreement in writing for the purposes of economic and industrial development in the region, at a lease rate of one dollar per year."

Rep. Beaulieu moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be rejected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Egan	McMahan
Amedee	Farnum	McMakin
Bacala	Firment	Mena
Bagley	Fisher	Miller

Bayham	Fontenot	Muscarello
Beaulieu	Freeman	Myers
Berault	Freiberg	Newell
Billings	Gadberry	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Galle	Owen
Boyer	Geymann	Phelps
Braud	Glorioso	Riser
Brown	Green	Romero
Butler	Hebert	Schamerhorn
Carlson	Henry	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Hilferty	Stagni
Carrier	Horton	Tarver
Carter, R.	Hughes	Taylor
Carter, W.	Illg	Thomas
Carver	Jackson	Thompson
Chasson	Johnson, M.	Turner
Chenevert	Johnson, T.	Ventrella
Coates	Jordan	Villio
Cox	Kerner	Walters
Davis	Knox	Wilder
Deshotel	LaCombe	Wiley
Dewitt	LaFleur	Willard
Dickerson	Landry, J.	Wright
Domangue	Mack	Wyble
Echols	Marcelle	Young
Edmonston	McCormick	Zeringue
Total - 90		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Crews	McFarland
Bamburg	Emerson	Melerine
Boyd	Landry, M.	Moore
Brass	Larvadain	Schlegel
Bryant	Lyons	Selders
Total - 15		

The amendments proposed by the Senate were rejected.

Conference committee appointment pending.

HOUSE BILL NO. 398—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4558.1, relative to the New Orleans City Park Police; to provide for the authority, duties, commissioning, and training of the New Orleans City Park Police; to provide for the administration of the New Orleans City Park Police; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Harris to Reengrossed House Bill No. 398 by Representative Hilferty

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the beginning of line 2, after "To" and before "enact" insert the following:

"amend and reenact Section 1 of Act No. 130 of the 1896 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 395 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Sections 1 through 8 of Act No. 569 of the 1989 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 13 of the 1998 First Extraordinary Session of the

Legislature, and Act No. 395 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature, and to"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after "Police;" and before "and" insert the following:

"to provide for approval of the board of commissioners of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association; to provide for board membership; to provide for obligations of the board;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 13 through 17 and insert the following:

"shall first be approved by the board of commissioners of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association, hereinafter referred to as "board". The officers shall be designated as City Park police officers and shall be responsible for maintaining general order and exercising police power within the jurisdiction of New Orleans City Park.

(2) Each person employed to serve as a City Park police officer shall be commissioned as a City Park police officer"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the end of line 19, delete "at the pleasure", delete line 20, and insert the following:

"until the person is no longer employed as a City Park police officer."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 1, after "(3)" delete "While in or out of uniform, the" and insert the following:

"Pursuant to R.S. 40:1379.1.3, the City Park"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 2, after "weapons" delete "and to exercise" and insert the following:

". The City Park police officers shall have"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, line 9, after "performance of" change "their" to "his"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 15, after "shall be" delete the remainder of the line and insert the following:

"deemed self-generated revenues of the park and shall be used for park development, maintenance, and operation of"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 18, change "R.S. 40:2402(3)(a)" to "R.S. 40:2402"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 19, delete "authorization" and insert "recommendation"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 2, at the beginning of line 20, after "Park" and before the comma ";" insert "and approval by the board"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 2, line 29, after "guests" insert a comma ";"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, line 5, after "Any" change "commissions" to "commission"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 3, line 7, after "privileges" delete "as are"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 3, line 8, after "Corrections" change the semi-colon ";" to a comma ";"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 3, after line 9, add the following:

"Section 2. Section 1 of Act No. 130 of the 1896 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 395 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature, is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana, That:

(A) The park in the City of New Orleans known as the "New Orleans City Park" be and is hereby placed under control and management of the "New Orleans City Park Improvement Association" incorporated under the laws of the State, by an act before Felix J. Dreyfous, Notary Public, on the 13th day of August, 1891.

(B) The secretary of the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism shall be a member of the board of commissioners of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association.

(C) The president of the Senate, or his designee, shall be a member of the board of commissioners of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association for a term concurrent with his elected term.

(D) The speaker of the House of Representatives, or his designee, shall be a member of the board of commissioners of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association for a term concurrent with his elected term.

(E) The senator for the district in which New Orleans City Park lies shall be a member of the board of commissioners of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association for a term concurrent with his elected term.

(F) The member of the House of Representatives for the district in which New Orleans City Park lies shall be a member of the board of commissioners of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association for a term concurrent with his elected term.

(G) Members of the board of commissioners of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association pursuant to Subsections (C), (D), (E), and (F) of this Section shall also serve as members of the governing authority of any nonprofit or not-for-profit firm, corporation, or entity that the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association contracts with for the operation, care, control, and management of the park and its facilities.

Section 3. Sections 1 through 8 of Act No. 569 of the 1989 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 13 of the 1998 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature and Act No. 395

of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature, are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 1. A.(1) The New Orleans City Park Improvement Association, through its board of commissioners, is hereby vested with authority to and may contract with any nonprofit or not-for-profit firm, corporation, or entity, as more specifically provided in Section 2 of this Act, for the operation, care, control, and management of the park and its facilities or to contract with any such entity for any of such purposes for any or all of such facilities.

(2) The authority granted by this Section shall include but shall not be limited to the authority to contract for:

(a) The recruiting, hiring, and employing by the contractor of such kinds and numbers of non-managerial employees to be managed, supervised, directed, and/or scheduled by the board or its designee as the board or its designee may direct from time to time.

(b) The procurement by the contractor for the park or the board of such goods and/or services as the board or its designee may direct from time to time.

(3)(a) Any firm, corporation, or entity with which the board contracts as authorized by this Section shall be deemed to be a private entity and shall not be deemed to be an agent or agency of the state for purposes of provisions of law relative to procurement of goods and services, leases of facilities, or subcontracts to manage facilities or services, including but not limited to the Louisiana Procurement Code (R.S. 39:1551 et seq.); Chapter 16 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, relative to procurement of professional, personal, consulting, and social services; Chapter 10 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, relative to public contracts; and Chapter 10 of Title 41 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, relative to leases of public lands. However, any procurement of goods and services, leases of facilities, or any subcontracts in an amount greater than two hundred fifty thousand dollars shall require board approval. Any such firm, corporation, or entity with which the board so contracts may be named as an additional insured on all general liability, property, automobile, employment practices liability, and workers' compensation insurance plans that insure the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association, including participation in the state risk management program.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of this Section or of any other law to the contrary, no contract to manage services or facilities related to golf or tennis shall be entered into by the board or by any entity contracting with the board unless the contractor with whom the board or such entity contracts has been selected pursuant to a request for proposals designed to promote competition, and the proposals have been evaluated by a multimember selection committee.

B. The board is prohibited from entering into any contract under the provisions of this Act which is for a purpose not in conformity with the master plan for New Orleans City Park required by the provisions of Act No. 865 of the 1982 Regular Session of the Legislature or which is otherwise not in conformity with such master plan. Annual review and amendments to the master plan for the development of City Park shall be conducted by the board in accordance with Section 3 of Act No. 865 of the 1982 Regular Session.

C. Any agreement that the board may enter into in accordance with this Act may be a contract, lease, or combination contract and lease.

D. The board shall in its sole discretion determine the terms, conditions, and duration of any contract or lease entered into under the provisions of this Act. Any contract or lease entered into by the

board under the provisions of this Act shall contain a provision in such contract or lease that the contract or lease may be terminated by the board, with or without just cause, upon written notification to all parties in the contract or lease, which notification shall be given not less than ninety days prior to the termination.

Section 2. Only a firm, corporation, or entity that is organized under the laws of the state of Louisiana shall be eligible to contract with the board under the provisions of this Act, and only a firm, corporation, or entity that is organized as a nonprofit or not-for-profit firm, corporation, or entity and which has as its primary purpose the betterment and improvement of New Orleans City Park shall be eligible to contract with the board under the provisions of this Act. The chief executive officer and president of any entity the board of commissioners may contract with for the operation, care, control, and management of the park shall be subject to approval by the board.

Section 3. This Act shall be construed to grant the board the authority to contract in a cooperative endeavor for the operation, care, control, and management of the park and its facilities, including any or all facilities located in the park on the effective date of this Act and any future facilities located in the park. This authority shall extend to all lands and property for which management and control has been vested in the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association.

Section 4. The board shall have the right to assign any existing contracts that it may have on the effective date of this Act to any contracting party under the provisions of this Act. Contracts regarding Tad Gormley Stadium, the Pan-American Stadium, or any other stadium constructed in the future, if assigned, shall be assigned under the same terms and conditions existing on June 1, 1989.

Section 5. The board shall have full authority to delegate to the nonprofit entity its ability or authority to collect any rents, charges, admissions, or fares it may be empowered to collect.

Section 6. Any contractor shall have the full authority to hire its own employees to provide services under a contract authorized by this Act, including but not limited to any services formerly provided by the employees of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association or its board.

Section 7. Any contract entered into under the provisions of this Act shall be deemed to be a cooperative endeavor under the provisions of Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Section 8. Nothing in this Act No. 569 of the 1989 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 13 of the 1998 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature and Section 2 of ~~the Act which originated as House Bill No. 744~~ No. 395 of the 2006 Regular Session of the Legislature, shall be construed to affect or diminish, in any manner whatsoever, the rights, powers, and authority otherwise granted by law to the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association and its board of commissioners to manage and control New Orleans City Park, and the authority granted to the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association and its board by this Act shall be in addition to any rights, powers, and authority otherwise granted to the association or the board by law. The provisions of this Act shall be subject to the provisions of ~~R.S. 36:802.21~~ R.S. 36:801.1 relative to the transfer of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association and its board of commissioners to the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism."

Rep. Hilferty moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

Total - 94

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Crews	Melerine
Boyd	Emerson	Moore
Brass	Gadberry	Selders
Bryant	McFarland	

Total - 11

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

Conference Committee Reports for Consideration

The following Conference Committee Reports were taken up and acted upon as follows:

Suspension of the Rules

Rep. Billings moved to suspend the rules to take up and consider the Conference Committee Report to House Bill No. 962 on the same day it was received, which motion was agreed to.

HOUSE BILL NO. 962 (Substitute for House Bill No. 499 by Representative Billings)—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BILLINGS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:423(I), 1302(2), 1313(B) and (E), and 1313.1(B) and (E), relative to the meetings of the parish board of election supervisors; to provide for notice of meetings; to provide for the preparation, verification, tabulation, and counting of absentee by mail and early voting ballots; to provide for the preparation, verification, tabulation, and counting process without a majority of parish board of election supervisors present; to provide for the selection of parish board

commissioners to provide assistance; to provide for the authorization of the commissioner of elections; to prohibit the recording or broadcasting of the preparation, verification, tabulation, and counting process; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 30, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 962 by the Senate Committee on House and Governmental Affairs the Reengrossed bill:

1. That Senate Committee Amendments Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, and 8 by the Senate Committee on House and Governmental Affairs (#3653) be adopted.
2. That Senate Committee Amendments Nos. 2, 6, and 7 by the Senate Committee on House and Governmental Affairs (#3653) be rejected.
3. That the following amendments be adopted:

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 3 by the Senate Committee on House and Governmental Affairs (#3653), on page 1, line 7, after "prohibit the" and before "broadcasting" insert "recording or"

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 5 by the Senate Committee on House and Governmental Affairs (#3653), on page 1, line 18, after "not be" and before "broadcast" insert "video, audio, or tape recorded, filmed, or"

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 8 by the Senate Committee on House and Governmental Affairs (#3653), on page 1, line 31, after "not be" and before "broadcast" insert "video, audio, or tape recorded, filmed, or"

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Beth Billings
Representative Gerald "Beau" Beaullieu, IV
Representative Polly Thomas
Senator Mike Reese
Senator Kirk Talbot

Rep. Billings moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Domangue	McMakin
Amedee	Echols	Melerine
Bacala	Edmonston	Muscarello
Bagley	Egan	Myers
Bamburg	Farnum	Orgeron
Bayham	Firment	Owen
Beaullieu	Fontenot	Riser
Berault	Freiberg	Romero

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Billings	Gadberry	Schamerhorn
Bourriaque	Galle	Schlegel
Boyer	Geymann	St. Blanc
Braud	Glorioso	Stagni
Butler	Hebert	Tarver
Carlson	Henry	Thomas
Carrier	Hilferty	Thompson
Carver	Horton	Turner
Chassion	Illg	Ventrella
Chenevert	Johnson, M.	Villio
Coates	Kerner	Wilder
Cox	Knox	Wiley
Crews	LaCombe	Wright
Davis	Landry, J.	Wyble
Deshotel	Mack	Zeringue
Dewitt	McCormick	
Dickerson	McMahen	
Total - 73		

NAYS

Boyd	Green	Mena
Brass	Johnson, T.	Miller
Brown	Jordan	Newell
Carpenter	LaFleur	Phelps
Carter, R.	Landry, M.	Taylor
Carter, W.	Larvadain	Walters
Fisher	Lyons	Willard
Freeman	Marcelle	Young
Total - 24		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Hughes	Moore
Bryant	Jackson	Selders
Emerson	McFarland	
Total - 8		

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

Suspension of the Rules

Rep. Wright moved to suspend the rules to take up and consider the Conference Committee Report to House Bill No. 971 on the same day it was received, which motion was agreed to.

HOUSE BILL NO. 971 (Substitute for House Bill No. 685 by Representative Wright)—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 54 of Title 34 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be compromised of R.S. 34:5221 through 5224, and to repeal Act No. 461 and Act No. 459 of the 2023 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to Louisiana ports; to create the Louisiana Ports and Waterways Investment Commission; to provide for the purpose, board appointments, powers, duties, functions, and governance of the commission; to provide for the development of a strategic plan and investment program; to provide for oversight; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 31, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 971 by

Representative Wright recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the set of amendments by the Legislative Bureau (#3774) be adopted.
2. That Senate Committee Amendments Nos. 1 through 3 and Nos. 5 through 9 by the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works (#3668) be adopted.
3. That Senate Committee Amendment No. 4 by the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works (#3668) be rejected.
4. That the following amendment to the Reengrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 22, after "governor" and before "as" insert "from a list of four nominated individuals, submitted per port classification by the Port Association of Louisiana,"

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Mark Wright
Representative Ryan Bourriaque
Representative Jacob Braud
Senator Mark Abraham
Senator Patrick Connick
Senator Patrick McMath

Rep. Wright moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Egan	McMahen
Amedee	Farnum	McMakin
Bacala	Firment	Melerine
Bagley	Fisher	Mena
Bamburg	Fontenot	Miller
Bayham	Freeman	Muscarello
Beaullieu	Freiberg	Myers
Berault	Gadberry	Newell
Billings	Galle	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Geymann	Owen
Boyd	Glorioso	Phelps
Boyer	Green	Riser
Brass	Hebert	Romero
Braud	Henry	Schamerhorn
Brown	Hilferty	Schlegel
Butler	Horton	St. Blanc
Carlson	Hughes	Stagni
Carpenter	Illg	Tarver
Carrier	Jackson	Taylor
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Thomas
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Thompson
Carver	Jordan	Turner
Chenevert	Kerner	Ventrella
Coates	Knox	Villio
Cox	LaCombe	Walters
Crews	LaFleur	Wilder
Davis	Landry, J.	Wiley
Deshotel	Landry, M.	Willard
Dewitt	Larvadain	Wright
Dickerson	Lyons	Wyble
Domangue	Mack	Young
Echols	Marcelle	Zeringue
Edmonston	McCormick	
Total - 98		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Emerson	Selders
Bryant	McFarland	
Chassion	Moore	
Total - 7		

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

Suspension of the Rules

Rep. Edmonston moved to suspend the rules to take up and consider the Conference Committee Report to House Bill No. 47 on the same day it was received, which motion was agreed to.

HOUSE BILL NO. 47—
BY REPRESENTATIVE EDMONSTON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:170(E), relative to student immunization requirements; to require that any communication issued to students or their parents or guardians relative to immunization requirements include information relative to exemption from such requirements; to provide that exemptions apply to those attending schools in addition to those seeking to enter schools; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 30, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 47 by Representative Edmonston recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That Amendment Nos. 3 and 4 in the set of amendments by the Senate Committee on Education (#3312) be adopted.
2. That Amendment Nos. 1, 2, 5, and 6 in the set of amendments by the Senate Committee on Education (#3312) be rejected.
3. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Jackson-Andrews (#3987) be adopted.
4. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by the Legislative Bureau (#3350) be rejected.
5. That the following amendment to the reengrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 17, after "if" and before "the" insert "the person is a distance learner or if"

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Kathy Edmonston
Representative Laurie Schlegel

Representative Lauren Ventrella
Senator Rick Edmonds
Senator Katrina R. Jackson-Andrews
Senator Blake Miguez

Rep. Edmonston moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Amedee	Dewitt	McMahon
Bacala	Dickerson	McMakin
Bagley	Echols	Melerine
Bamburg	Edmonston	Muscarello
Bayham	Egan	Myers
Beaullieu	Farnum	Orgeron
Berault	Firment	Owen
Billings	Fontenot	Riser
Bourriaque	Gadberry	Romero
Boyd	Galle	Schamerhorn
Boyer	Geymann	Schlegel
Brass	Glorioso	St. Blanc
Butler	Hebert	Tarver
Carlson	Henry	Thomas
Carrier	Hilferty	Thompson
Carver	Horton	Turner
Chassion	Illg	Ventrella
Chenevert	Johnson, M.	Villio
Coates	Kerner	Wilder
Cox	Knox	Wiley
Crews	Landry, J.	Wright
Davis	Mack	Wyble
Deshotel	McCormick	Zeringue
Total - 69		

NAYS

Adams	Green	Marcelle
Brown	Hughes	Mena
Carpenter	Johnson, T.	Miller
Carter, R.	Jordan	Newell
Carter, W.	LaCombe	Phelps
Domangue	LaFleur	Taylor
Fisher	Landry, M.	Walters
Freeman	Larvadain	Willard
Freiberg	Lyons	Young
Total - 27		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Emerson	Moore
Braud	Jackson	Selders
Bryant	McFarland	Stagni
Total - 9		

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

Suspension of the Rules

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

Petitions, Memorials, and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

HOUSE BILLS

May 31, 2024

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

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

House Bill No. 446
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 845
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 940
Returned with amendments

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Hilferty, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider House Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments at this time.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
Returned from the Senate with Amendments

Rep. Hilferty asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up at this time the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions just returned from the Senate, with amendments to be concurred in by the House, with a view of acting on the same:

HOUSE BILL NO. 446—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HILFERTY, FREEMAN, AND MANDIE LANDRY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:19(A)(2)(b) and to enact R.S. 42:19(A)(2)(c) and R.S. 49:1305.1, relative to notifications of public meetings; to require public bodies to provide notice of meetings to any person; to require public bodies to give notice of meetings to the commissioner of administration; to provide for the duties of the commissioner of administration relative thereto; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Carter to Re-Reengrossed House Bill No. 446 by Representative Hilferty

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, after line 21, insert:

"E. The commissioner of administration shall establish a timeline and plan for the implementation of the technological functions of the website established pursuant to R.S. 49:1301 required by Subsection D of this Section."

Rep. Hilferty moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table listing names of representatives under ABSENT category, including Mr. Speaker, Emerson, Jackson, Moore.

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 845—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:673(A) and (C) and R.S. 39:198(A), (B)(introductory paragraph) and (1), (C)(1), (D)(introductory paragraph), (1), and (2), (E)(introductory paragraph) and (4), (G)(introductory paragraph) and (1)(a), (c), and (d), (I), and (M), to enact R.S. 39:197(20) through (22), 1556(63), 1593(6)(f), and 1600.2, and to repeal R.S. 39:198(G)(4) and 200(I), relative to the procurement of information technology; to provide for authority of certain legislative committees; to provide for review of certain contracts; to provide for methods of procurement; to provide for invitation to negotiate as a method of procurement; to provide for the types of contracts that may be procured by certain methods; to provide relative to

contract terms; to provide relative to procurement support; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Reengrossed House Bill No. 845 by Representative Deshotel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, delete "R.S. 39:198(A)," and insert "R.S. 39:197(13) and (16), 198(A),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 10, delete "R.S. 39:198(A)," and insert "R.S. 39:197(13) and (16), 198(A),"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

"(13) "Multiyear contract" means contracts for a term of more than one year, not to exceed ten years and includes contracts ~~the following:~~

(a) ~~Contracts~~ between a supplier of information technology systems, information technology services, and software and the state or a state agency through which information technology systems, information technology services, and software, except for fiscal intermediary services, may be leased or purchased for a term of more than one fiscal year, but the term shall not exceed sixty months.

(b) ~~Contracts for fiscal intermediary services:~~

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(16) "Related services" means and is limited to service activities affecting the maintenance of information technology equipment or software and the providing of fiscal intermediary services: ~~Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, "related services" shall also mean and shall also include those consulting services ancillary to the procurement of information technology hardware or software that would otherwise be governed by the provisions of professional, personal, consulting, and social services procurement in Chapter 17 of Subtitle III of this Title. Except for consulting services ancillary to the procurement of fiscal intermediary services by cooperative purchasing, such provided those consulting services are contracts shall be limited to the lesser of twenty percent of the procurement amount or two hundred fifty thousand dollars.~~

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AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, line 23, after "order contracts" delete "and contracts for" and at the beginning of line 24, delete "fiscal intermediary services"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, line 24, delete "The office of technology services." and insert the following:

"Any agency of a statewide elected official or the office of technology services, whether acting in their own capacity or on behalf of any other state agency,"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, line 25, after "procurement, may" delete "on behalf of any state agency"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 5, between lines 19 and 20, insert the following:

"(iv) Any agency of a statewide elected official or the office of technology services, whether acting in their own capacity or on behalf of any other state agency, that is engaged in an active multiyear contract as of August 1, 2024, shall have the option to extend those contracts through the office of state procurement, in accordance with the provisions of Items (i) through (iii) of this Subparagraph."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 6, delete lines 15 through 27 and insert the following:

"I. Contracts for fiscal intermediary services. State agencies may enter into contracts for fiscal intermediary services either by competitive sealed proposals, cooperative purchasing, or invitation to negotiate.

(1) If the agency uses the competitive sealed proposals procurement method, the procurement shall be made in accordance with R.S. 39:1595 and the term of the contract shall be one hundred twenty months. If special circumstances, as provided in Paragraph (9) of this Subsection Subparagraph (h) of this Paragraph, necessitate, additional one-year extensions of the contract may be granted. The award process and final contract shall include all of the following:

(1) Contracts for fiscal intermediary services shall be awarded by competitive sealed proposals in accordance with R.S. 39:1595 or cooperative purchasing in accordance with R.S. 39:1702.

(2)(a) Justification for the contract shall be submitted to the state central purchasing agency and shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget Technology and Cybersecurity at least forty-five days prior to the issuance of a solicitation for proposals. Within thirty days of receipt of the justification by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget Technology and Cybersecurity, the committee may conduct a public hearing on the justification which was submitted. This justification shall include identification and consideration of all factors, including costs, relevant to the solicitation for proposals and the final contract.

(3)(b) The one-hundred-twenty-month term of such contract shall be divided into one period of between thirty-six months and sixty months, immediately followed by successive twelve-month periods. The state shall have an option to renew such contract for each of the twelve-month periods. If the state does not exercise its option to renew, the contract shall be terminated. In the event special circumstances occur, as provided in Paragraph (9) of this Subsection Subparagraph (h) of this Paragraph, additional twelve-month extensions of the contract may be granted.

(4)(c) In addition to other provisions as required by law or in the best interests of the state, such contract shall contain provisions setting forth all of the following: ~~(a)~~(i) the amount and requirements of the contractor's performance bond, ~~(b)~~(ii) penalty and enforcement provisions for the failure of the contractor to perform in accordance with the contract documents, ~~(c)~~(iii) conditions for optional renewal of the contract by the state in accordance with the provisions of this Subsection, and ~~(d)~~(iv) requirements for termination of the contract

by the state at any time, or for cause, or upon the refusal of the state to exercise an option to renew such contract.

(5)(d) Issuance of specifications for a solicitation for proposals on a contract for fiscal intermediary services shall be made at least twelve months prior to the termination date of an existing contract, unless the contract termination is for cause or due to the refusal of the state to exercise an option to renew.

(6)(e) No award of the contract shall be made until the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget has conducted a public hearing concerning the award; following criteria have been satisfied:

(i) The Louisiana Department of Health submits to the Joint Legislative Committee on Technology and Cybersecurity a notice of intention to award the contract. The Joint Legislative Committee on Technology and Cybersecurity may hold a public hearing concerning the award within thirty days following the receipt of a notice of intention to award the contract.

(ii) The Joint Legislative Committee on Technology and Cybersecurity has conducted a public hearing concerning the award or thirty days have elapsed from the date the Louisiana Department of Health submitted a notice of intention to award the contract to the Joint Legislative Committee on Technology and Cybersecurity and the committee has not posted a public notice of meeting concerning the award of the contract.

(7)(f) No award of the contract shall be made later than eight months prior to the termination date of an existing contract, unless the contract termination is for cause or due to the refusal of the state to exercise an option to renew.

(8)(g) No option to renew the contract shall be exercised by the state until the following criteria have been satisfied:

(a)(i) The Louisiana Department of Health has conducted a public hearing concerning such renewal.

(b)(ii) The Louisiana Department of Health submits to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget Technology and Cybersecurity a notice of intention by the Louisiana Department of Health to exercise the option to renew the contract and a copy of any public testimony which was taken at the public hearing held by the Louisiana Department of Health. The Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget Technology and Cybersecurity may hold a public hearing concerning the renewal within thirty days following the receipt of a notice of intention by the Louisiana Department of Health to exercise the option to renew the contract.

(c)(iii) The Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget Technology and Cybersecurity has conducted a public hearing concerning the renewal or thirty days have elapsed from the date the Louisiana Department of Health submitted a notice of intention to renew the contract to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget Technology and Cybersecurity and the committee has not posted a public notice of meeting concerning the renewal of the contract.

(9)(h) In the event the Louisiana Department of Health or the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services proposes substantial changes in the operations of the Medicaid program that would materially impact the services performed by the fiscal intermediary, the Louisiana Department of Health may, subject to the approval of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget Technology and Cybersecurity, approve additional extensions of the contract until it is practical to prepare a solicitation for proposals describing the revised services that would be performed by the fiscal intermediary. During the time frame covered by any extension beyond the original one-hundred-twenty-month period, the fiscal intermediary may be required to perform additional functions to assist in preparing the Louisiana Department of Health in the transition to the new program. These

functions may include existing fiscal intermediary services as well as efforts to control fraud and abuse, program reports, beneficiary enrollment and program information services, encounter data, and annual managed care negotiation data.

(2) Notwithstanding any provision of this Part to the contrary, if the agency uses the cooperative purchasing procurement method, the procurement shall be governed exclusively by the provisions of Part VII of Chapter 17 of Subtitle III of this Title and the applicable rules and regulations and shall not be subject to protest under any provision of Chapter 17 of Subtitle III of this Title.

(3) Notwithstanding any provision of this Part to the contrary, if the agency uses the invitation to negotiate procurement method, the procurement shall be governed exclusively by the provisions of R.S. 39:1600.2 and the applicable rules and regulations."

AMENDMENT NO. 9

Delete pages 7 through 9 and on page 10, delete lines 1 through 3

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Reese to Reengrossed House Bill No. 845 by Representative Deshotel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Amendment No. 8 proposed by the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs and adopted by the Senate on May 29, 2024, on page 2, at the end of line 13, insert "All contracts for fiscal intermediary services shall be subject to approval by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget."

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Reese to Reengrossed House Bill No. 845 by Representative Deshotel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 8 proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and adopted by the Senate on May 29, 2024, on page 2, line 18, delete "one-year" and on line 19, after "contract" insert "for up to three years"

Rep. Beaulieu moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Echols	McMahan
Amedee	Edmonston	McMakin
Bacala	Egan	Melerine
Bagley	Farnum	Mena
Bamburg	Firment	Miller
Bayham	Fontenot	Muscarello
Beaulieu	Freeman	Myers
Berault	Freiberg	Newell
Billings	Gadberry	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Galle	Owen
Boyd	Geymann	Phelps
Boyer	Glorioso	Riser
Brass	Green	Romero
Braud	Hebert	Schamerhorn
Brown	Henry	Schlegel

Bryant	Hilferty	Selders
Butler	Horton	St. Blanc
Carlson	Hughes	Stagni
Carpenter	Illg	Tarver
Carrier	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Carter, R.	Johnson, T.	Thomas
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thompson
Carver	Knox	Turner
Chassion	LaCombe	Ventrella
Chenevert	LaFleur	Villio
Coates	Landry, J.	Walters
Cox	Landry, M.	Wilder
Crews	Larvadain	Wiley
Davis	Lyons	Wright
Deshotel	Mack	Wyble
Dewitt	Marcelle	Young
Dickerson	McCormick	Zeringue
Domangue	McFarland	
Total - 98		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Jackson	Willard
Emerson	Jordan	
Fisher	Moore	
Total - 7		

The amendments proposed by the Senate were concurred in by the House.

HOUSE BILL NO. 940—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

AN ACT

To enact Part VII-A of Chapter 26 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 17:3369.1 through 3369.3, relative to financing deferred maintenance and facility capital improvements at public postsecondary educational institutions; to authorize the issuance of bonds for the financing of certain projects; to provide for requirements and limitations with respect to the issuance of bonds; to provide for definitions; to provide for the management and administration of projects; to exempt certain projects from the requirement of being included in the annual capital outlay budget; to provide for the duties and responsibilities of certain management boards; to provide for the duties and responsibilities of the commissioner of administration; to limit the amount of bonds that may be issued; to provide for the allocation of certain monies; to require certain reports; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Reengrossed House Bill No. 940 by Representative Turner

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "through" delete "3369.3," and insert "3369.4,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after "maintenance and" delete "facility"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 12, after "reports;" insert the following:

"to establish the College and University Deferred Maintenance and Capital Improvement Fund as a special treasury fund and to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use of monies in the fund;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 16, after "through" delete "3369.3" and insert "3369.4"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 3, after "means" delete "the" and insert "a"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, at the end of line 4, after "Part." insert the following:

"The term "corporation" shall also include a limited liability company whose sole member is a nonprofit corporation."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, line 13, after "equipment," and before "and" insert "utilities, site components, roads, and streets,"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 4, line 15, after "shall be" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 16 and insert "administered by the division of administration, office of facility planning and control."

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 4, at the beginning of line 17, delete "to fund the projects."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 4, line 18, after "corporations to" delete the remainder of the line and insert "manage projects which shall comply with the provisions of R.S. 38:2211 et seq., Public Bid Law."

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 4, delete lines 19 through 26 and insert the following:

"However, the selection of a corporation by the board shall be subject to review by and the approval of the director of the office of facility planning and control, hereinafter referred to in this Paragraph as "director". The commissioner of administration, hereinafter referred to in this Paragraph as "commissioner", shall approve all"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 5, at the end of line 4, after "clause" delete the period "." and insert the following:

"and provisions for the selection of designers, contractors, project managers, and other professional services prior to contracts being issued."

(ii) Projects undertaken pursuant to the provisions of this Subparagraph shall first be approved by the commissioner and then the commissioner shall submit a list of approved projects to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget for approval. The approvals required pursuant to the provisions of this Item shall be secured for each project prior to the expenditure of any funds for planning, design, or construction activities.

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(iii) Selection of designers, architects, or engineers for any project undertaken pursuant to the provisions of this Subparagraph shall be qualification-based selections and shall be in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 38:2318.1."

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 5, at the beginning of line 5, delete "(ii)" and insert "(iv)"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 5, delete lines 7 through 12

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 5, line 13, change "(iii)" to "(b)"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 5, delete lines 26 and 27 and insert "corporation for the purpose of financing projects, and the"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 6, line 4, after "No" delete "monies shall be appropriated" and insert "bonds, notes, or other evidences of debt may be issued"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 6, delete line 5 and insert "before July 1, 2026 or unless the legislature has provided an appropriation for such purpose."

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 6, at the beginning of line 9, delete "B." and insert "B.(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 6, line 10, after "exceed" delete the remainder of the line and insert "two billion"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 6, at the beginning of line 14, delete "(1)" and insert "(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 6, at the beginning of line 15, delete "(2)" and insert "(b)"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 6, delete line 17 and insert the following:

"(c) The Louisiana State University System, one billion seventy-one million"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 6, at the beginning of line 19, delete "(4)" and insert "(d)"

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 6, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

"(2) The proceeds of any bonds issued to finance projects pursuant to the provisions of this Part shall be deposited into the College and University Deferred Maintenance and Capital Improvement Fund as established in R.S. 17:3369.4.

§3369.4. College and University Deferred Maintenance and Capital Improvement Fund

A. There is hereby created as a special fund in the state treasury the College and University Deferred Maintenance and Capital Improvement Fund, hereinafter referred to in this Section as the "fund". The source of monies in the fund shall be the proceeds of any bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 17:3369.3; any monies transferred or appropriated by the legislature including federal funds; all donations, gifts, or grants received by the state for the fund; and any other monies which may be provided for the fund or the purposes of this Part by law. Deposits into the fund shall comply with the provisions of Article VII, Section 9(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana relative to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund. All unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund. Monies in the fund shall be invested by the treasurer in the same manner as monies in the state general fund and any interest earned on the investment of such monies shall be deposited in and credited to the fund.

B. Subject to appropriation, monies in the fund shall be used solely and exclusively by the the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System, the Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, and the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges to pay expenses associated with addressing deferred maintenance of public facilities under the control of the board in accordance with the limitations and restrictions provided for in this Part."

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Foil to Reengrossed House Bill No. 940 by Representative Turner

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Delete Senate Committee Amendment Nos. 14 and 15 by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs (#4326).

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In Amendment No. 10 of the set of amendments proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs (#4326) and adopted by the Senate on May 29, 2024, on page 1, line 29, after "provisions of" and before "Public" delete "R.S. 38:2211 et seq.,"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

In Amendment No. 18 of the set of amendments proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs (#4326) and adopted by the Senate on May 29, 2024, on page 2, line 36, after "July 1, 2026" and before "the legislature" delete "or unless" and insert "and"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

In Amendment No. 25 of the set of amendments proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs (#4326) and adopted by the Senate on May 29, 2024, on page 3, line 35, after "by the" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and delete lines 36 through 39 in their entirety and insert the following:

"office of facility planning and control to pay expenses"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 5, at the end of line 6, insert the following:

"The director may retain up to one percent of the total cost of each project for costs incurred in administering each project."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 5, at the end of line 10, insert the following:

"However, the board of a system may, in its discretion, undertake a project with a total installed cost of less than one million dollars in accordance with the provisions of Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph if the board determines it is cost efficient and in the best interests of the board to do so."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 5, line 28, after "exceed" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line 29 delete "hundred eighty-one million" and insert "two billion"

Rep. Turner moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be concurred in.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Fisher	McFarland
Emerson	Jackson	Moore
Total - 6		

The amendments proposed by the Senate, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, were concurred in by the House.

Suspension of the Rules

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

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

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

Suspension of the Rules

Rep. Villio moved to suspend the rules to call from the calendar and take up and consider Senate Bill No. 431 without giving the required notice, which motion was agreed to.

SENATE BILL NO. 431—

BY SENATOR CLOUD

AN ACT

To enact Subpart CC of Part II-A of Chapter 1 of Subtitle I of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 39:100.241 and 100.242, relative to juvenile detention facility funding; to create the Juvenile Detention Commission; to provide for membership of the commission; to provide for the implementation and administration of the Juvenile Detention Commission Program; to provide relative to a grant application process for construction of juvenile detention centers; to create the Juvenile Detention Fund; to provide for oversight and approval of use of funds by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget; to provide for audits; to provide relative to terms, conditions, requirements, and procedures; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Villio to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 431 by Senator Cloud

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, after "funding" delete the semicolon ";" and delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert the following:

"and other non-recurring criminal justice system priority projects; to create the Criminal Justice Priority Funding Commission;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 6, after "administration of the" delete "Juvenile Detention" and insert "Criminal Justice Priority Funding"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 7, after "juvenile detention" delete "centers;" and insert "centers and for other non-recurring criminal justice system priority projects;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the beginning of line 8, delete "the Juvenile Detention" and insert "the Criminal Justice Priority"

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AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 15, after "CC." and before "COMMISSION" delete "JUVENILE DETENTION" and insert "CRIMINAL JUSTICE PRIORITY FUNDING"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, at the beginning of line 16, delete "JUVENILE DETENTION" and insert "CRIMINAL JUSTICE PRIORITY"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, line 17, after "§100.241." delete "Juvenile Detention" and insert "Criminal Justice Priority Funding"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 3, after "means the" and before "Commission." delete "Juvenile Detention" and insert "Criminal Justice Priority Funding"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 6, after "means the" and before "Fund." delete "Juvenile Detention" and insert "Criminal Justice Priority"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 7, after "means the" and before "Commission" delete "Juvenile Detention" and insert "Criminal Justice Priority Funding"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 2, line 12, after "The" and before "is hereby" delete "Juvenile Detention Commission" and insert "commission"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 2, line 13, delete "Juvenile Detention Commission Program" and insert "program"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 2, line 16, after "following" and before "members:" delete "ten" and insert "twelve"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 2, at the end of line 23, delete "president." and insert "president of the Senate."

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 3, delete lines 2 through 5 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(i) The commissioner of administration or his designee.

(j) The secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections or his designee.

(k) The secretary of the Department of Revenue or his designee.

(l) One member appointed by the governor.

(3) The commissioner of administration shall serve as chairman of the commission."

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 3, line 6, after "shall be" and before "members." delete "six" and insert "seven"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 3, delete lines 21 through 27 in their entirety and insert the following:

"C.(1) The program is hereby established to provide funding for the following:

(a) Grants to nonstate entities for the design, construction, site purchase, refurbishment, site work, and other necessary items or materials for the building, repair, or refurbishment of fully operational juvenile detention centers to house both pre-adjudicated and post-adjudicated juveniles.

(b) The office of juvenile justice for the design, construction, site purchase, refurbishment, site work, and other necessary items or materials for the building, repair, or refurbishment of fully operational juvenile detention centers to house both pre-adjudicated and post-adjudicated juveniles.

(c) Immediate and necessary building and repairs to facilities owned by the office of juvenile justice.

(d) Grants to nonstate entities for the design, construction, site purchase, refurbishment, site work, and other necessary items or materials for the building, repair, or refurbishment of adult correctional and detention facilities.

(e) Grants to parish sheriffs for the design, construction, site purchase, refurbishment, site work, and other necessary items or materials for the building, repair, or refurbishment of necessary law enforcement facilities in the custody and control of the sheriff.

(f) The Department of Public Safety and Corrections for the design, construction, site purchase, refurbishment, site work, and other necessary items or materials for the building, repair, or refurbishment of adult correctional and detention facilities.

(g) Grants to nonstate entities and funding for state entities for other criminal justice priorities, including but not limited to statewide or regional crime labs for repairs, construction, or equipment necessary to fully operate such entities; immediate and necessary funding to the Integrated Criminal Justice Information System Policy Board as well as to the relevant state and local public entities for the purpose of facilitating the statewide integration of data and information necessarily generated by and shared across law enforcement, court systems, and statewide databases in this state; and other criminal justice funding priorities as deemed appropriate and necessary by the commission.

(2) The division of administration shall"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 4, line 1, after "employees of the" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and at the beginning of line 2 delete "justice." and insert the following:

"division and state and local public agencies or entities and stakeholders, as provided in the guidance promulgated pursuant to the provisions of this Section."

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 4, delete line 3 in its entirety and insert "entity deemed eligible by the commission or otherwise eligible pursuant to the provisions of this Section and"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 4, line 6, delete "requirements." and insert "requirements."

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 4, delete line 7 in its entirety and insert "period dates; deadlines for submissions and approval; criteria for ratings;"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 4, line 10, delete "regions." and insert the following:

"regions, for adult correctional and detention facilities owned and operated by one or more parish sheriffs for urgent and necessary repairs and construction that include or will facilitate rehabilitative programming, and for other criminal justice priorities that will assist in expediting the processing of evidence and the criminal trial process."

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 4, line 16, after "for all" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert "relevant stakeholders and"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 5, line 9, after "September 1, 2024." delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and delete lines 10 through 29 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 6, line 8, after "awards" and before "to the" insert "or funding"

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 6, at the end of line 11, "or funding"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 6, line 13, between "award" and "for a" insert "or funding"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 6, at the beginning of line 14, delete "grant"

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 6, line 17, delete "Juvenile Detention Center Commission" and insert "commission"

AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 6, line 19, after "Each" and before "recipient" delete "grant"

AMENDMENT NO. 31

On page 6, line 21, after "§100.242." and before "Fund" delete "Juvenile Detention" and insert "Criminal Justice Priority"

AMENDMENT NO. 32

On page 6, at the beginning of line 23, delete "Juvenile Detention" and insert "Criminal Justice Priority"

AMENDMENT NO. 33

On page 6, line 24, after "B." and before "Monies" insert the following:

"Monies appropriated or transferred to the fund shall be deposited by the state treasurer after compliance with the requirements of Article VII, Section 9(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana relative to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund."

AMENDMENT NO. 34

On page 6, at the end of line 26, insert the following:

"All unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund."

AMENDMENT NO. 35

On page 6, line 27, after "grant" and before "funding" insert "awards and"

AMENDMENT NO. 36

On page 6, delete lines 28 and 29 in their entirety and on page 7, delete lines 1 and 2 in their entirety and insert "program pursuant to the provisions of this Subpart."

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

Motion

Rep. Jordan moved to grant the author an additional five minutes to debate the bill.

Rep. Beaulieu objected.

By a vote of 50 yeas and 34 nays, the motion failed to pass.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Echols	McCormick
Amedee	Edmonston	McMahan
Bacala	Egan	McMakin
Bagley	Farnum	Melerine
Bamburg	Firment	Mena
Bayham	Fontenot	Miller
Beaulieu	Freeman	Muscarello
Berault	Freiberg	Myers
Billings	Gadberry	Newell
Bourriague	Galle	Orgeron
Boyd	Geymann	Owen
Boyer	Glorioso	Riser
Brass	Hebert	Romero
Braud	Henry	Schamerhorn
Brown	Hilferty	Schlegel
Bryant	Horton	Selders
Butler	Hughes	St. Blanc
Carlson	Illg	Stagni
Carpenter	Jackson	Tarver
Carrier	Johnson, M.	Thomas
Carter, R.	Johnson, T.	Thompson
Carver	Jordan	Turner
Chasson	Kerner	Ventrella
Chenevert	Knox	Villio
Coates	LaCombe	Walters
Cox	LaFleur	Wilder
Crews	Landry, J.	Wiley
Davis	Landry, M.	Willard
Deshotel	Larvadain	Wright
Dewitt	Lyons	Wyble
Dickerson	Mack	Young
Domangue	Marcelle	Zeringue
Total - 96		

NAYS

Carter, W. Taylor
Total - 2

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker Green Phelps
Emerson McFarland
Fisher Moore
Total - 7

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

Rep. Villio 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.

Conference Committee Reports for Consideration

The following Conference Committee Reports were taken up and acted upon as follows:

Suspension of the Rules

Rep. Wright moved to suspend the rules to take up and consider the Conference Committee Report to House Bill No. 906 on the same day it was received, which motion was agreed to.

HOUSE BILL NO. 906—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WRIGHT, BILLINGS, LARVADAIN, MARCELLE, NEWELL, BACALA, EGAN, FISHER, GREEN, JACKSON, AND WYBLE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1491.1(E), 1491.4(E), 1495.2(E), 1505.2(E), (H)(1)(a) and (c), (2)(a) and (b), and (3)(a), and (K)(1) and (2), and 1511.4(A) and R.S. 42:1125(A), (C)(introductory paragraph) and (D)(2) and to enact R.S. 18:1483(21), 1491.1(G), 1505.2(H)(7), and 1505.2.1, relative to political contributions; to provide for the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act; to provide for independent expenditure-only political committees; to provide for the registration of political committees; to provide for electronic payments and filing; to increase the amount of payments made from petty cash; to increase campaign contribution limits; to provide for the designation of political contributions for specific elections; to provide for the attribution of political contributions to certain contributors; to provide for limitations; to provide for procedures; to provide for complaints filed with the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance; to provide requirements for the filing of complaints; to provide for notifications; to increase limits on contributions made for gubernatorial transition and inauguration; to provide for such contributions in the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act; to provide for a study conducted by the Board of Ethics; to require the Board of Ethics to report to the legislature, governor, and secretary of state; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 30, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 906 by

Representative Wright recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

- 1. That the set of Senate Committee Amendments by the Senate Committee on Finance (#3851) be rejected.
2. That the set of amendments by the Legislative Bureau (#4042) be accepted.
3. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Connick (#4131) be accepted.
4. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Coussan (#4134) be accepted.
5. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Pressly (#4211) be rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Mark Wright
Representative Gerald "Beau" Beaulieu, IV
Representative Kyle M. Green, Jr.
Senator Patrick Connick
Senator Jean-Paul P. Coussan
Senator Jimmy Harris

Motion

Rep. Mandie Landry moved to grant the author an additional five minutes to debate the bill.

Rep. Jackson objected.

By a vote of 38 yeas and 50 nays, the motion failed to pass.

Rep. Wright moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams Dickerson Marcelle
Amedee Domangue McMahan
Bacala Echols McMakin
Bayham Edmonston Melerine
Beaulieu Egan Miller
Berault Emerson Myers
Billings Farnum Orgeron
Bourriaque Firment Owen
Boyd Gadberry Riser
Boyer Galle Romero
Brass Geymann Schamerhorn
Braud Glorioso Selders
Bryant Green St. Blanc
Carlson Hebert Tarver
Carrier Henry Thompson
Carver Horton Turner
Chassion Jackson Ventrella
Chenevert Johnson, M. Walters
Coates Kerner Wiley
Cox LaFleur Wright
Crews Landry, J. Wyble
Deshotel Lyons Zeringue
Dewitt Mack

Total - 69

NAYS

Bagley Freiberg Phelps
Brown Hilferty Schlegel

Butler	Illg	Stagni
Carpenter	Jordan	Taylor
Carter, R.	Landry, M.	Thomas
Carter, W.	Larvadain	Villio
Davis	Mena	Willard
Fontenot	Muscarello	
Freeman	Newell	
Total - 25		

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Johnson, T.	McFarland
Bamburg	Knox	Moore
Fisher	LaCombe	Young
Hughes	McCormick	
Total - 11		

The Conference Committee Report, not having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, was rejected.

Motion to reconsider pending.

Suspension of the Rules

Rep. Zeringue moved to suspend the rules to take up and consider the Conference Committee Report to House Bill No. 380 on the same day it was received, which motion was agreed to.

HOUSE BILL NO. 380—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ZERINGUE, GREEN, JACKSON, NEWELL, AND THOMPSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:754(A) through (D) and (F) and 850(A), Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B) and (D), and Code of Criminal Procedure Article 14.1(A) and (F) and to enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(I) and Code of Criminal Procedure Article 14.1(G), relative to electronic filings; to provide relative to the membership and duties of the Louisiana Clerks' Remote Access Authority; to provide relative to electronic filing standards and requirements; to provide relative to facsimile transmissions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 29, 2024

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 380 by Representative Zeringue recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the set of Senate Committee Amendments by the Committee on Judiciary A (#3971) be adopted.
2. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Morris (#4224) be adopted.
3. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Miller (#4265) be adopted.
4. That the following amendments be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 by Senator Morris (#4224), on page 2, delete lines 37 through 59 in their entirety and on page 3, delete lines 1 through 4 in their entirety

5. That the following amendments to the Reengrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, change "Article 253 (B) and (D)" to "Article 253"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, at the end of line 3, change "Article 14.1(A)" to "Article 14.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete line 4 in its entirety and insert "and to enact Code of Criminal"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 4, delete "Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(I) and"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, line 5, change "Article 14.1(G)" to "Article 14.2"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, line 8, after the semicolon ";" and before "and" insert "to provide for contingent effectiveness;"

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Jerome Zeringue
Representative Robby Carter
Representative Joseph A. Orgeron
Senator Gregory A. Miller
Senator John C. "Jay" Morris III
Senator Jean-Paul P. Coussan

Rep. Zeringue moved to adopt the Conference Committee Report.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Adams	Egan	McMahan
Amedee	Farnum	McMakin
Bacala	Firment	Melerine
Bayham	Fontenot	Mena
Beaullieu	Freeman	Muscarello
Berault	Freiberg	Myers
Billings	Gadberry	Newell
Bourriaque	Galle	Orgeron
Boyd	Geymann	Owen
Boyer	Glorioso	Phelps
Brass	Green	Riser
Braud	Hebert	Romero
Brown	Henry	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Hilferty	Schlegel
Butler	Horton	Selders
Carlson	Hughes	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Illg	Stagni
Carrier	Jackson	Tarver

Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Thomas
Carver	Jordan	Thompson
Chassion	Kerner	Turner
Chenevert	Knox	Ventrella
Cox	LaCombe	Villio
Crews	LaFleur	Walters
Davis	Landry, J.	Wilder
Deshotel	Landry, M.	Wiley
Dewitt	Larvadain	Willard
Dickerson	Lyons	Wright
Domangue	Mack	Wyble
Echols	Marcelle	Young
Edmonston	McCormick	Zeringue
Total - 96		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Coates	McFarland
Bagley	Emerson	Miller
Bamburg	Fisher	Moore
Total - 9		

The Conference Committee Report was adopted.

Conference Committee Appointment

The Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement to House Bill No. 142: Reps. Beaulieu, Gadberry, and Hebert.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Wright, the Conference Committee was discharged from further consideration of House Concurrent Resolution No. 35.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Owen, the Conference Committee was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 976.

Suspension of the Rules

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

Petitions, Memorials, and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

HOUSE BILLS

May 31, 2024

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

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

House Bill No. 1
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 291
Returned without amendments

House Bill No. 762
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 786
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 952
Returned with amendments

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 13.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 43.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 137.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 268.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 463.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 534.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 575.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 616.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 659.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 851.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 874.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

**ADOPTION OF
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the disagreement to House Bill No. 962.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

May 31, 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:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 264—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request each state department to request funding, through their annual budget requests for state appropriations or from federal funding sources, available grants, or from any other source, for programs and policies that have been enacted by the legislature and that pertain to agencies in the respective department but that have not been implemented because the legislature has not provided funding for them and to report on the status of such programs, policies, and funding.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 280—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request members of the House of Representatives and state officials, including appropriate persons at the Department of Transportation and Development and Louisiana Economic Development, to read and review the Critical Development Issues Overview report by Vickerman and Associates, LLC that was commissioned by the St. Bernard parish government.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 313—

BY REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Board of Regents to conduct a comprehensive study of two-year colleges in Union, Claiborne, and Bienville parishes and to submit a written report to the House Committee on Education not later than January 31, 2025.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 321—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to take action on feral hog toxicant testing and registration.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 324—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD
A RESOLUTION

To commend the Omicron Lambda Omega Chapter of the Crescent City Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of its charter.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 325—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD
A RESOLUTION

To commend Loyce Pierce Wright on receipt of the 2024 Regina Matrum Award from the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 326—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
A RESOLUTION

To commend Brother Matthew Lyons, CSC, for more than sixty years of faithful service to the Catholic Church.

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.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

May 31, 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 Concurrent Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VENTRELLA
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to prioritize policies pertaining to organ donation education in its rulemaking process as authorized by House Bill No. 320 of this 2024 Regular Session should that bill become law.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 87—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To continue the Health Disparities in Rural Areas Task Force created in the 2022 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution No. 44 to identify and study key health issues affecting rural areas and develop strategies to improve health outcomes for rural and underserved communities and to submit a written report to the House and Senate committees on health and welfare by February 1, 2025.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 96—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and request the Department of Insurance to create the Louisiana Alternative Funding Program Task Force to study the impact of alternative funding programs on patient access to affordable prescription drugs.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 136—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TAYLOR
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study the road conditions on particular roadways that intersect with United States Highway 61.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY
Chairwoman

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

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

May 31, 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 Bills have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE BILL NO. 97—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:97.1(A) and to enact R.S. 14:97.1(C), relative to solicitation on certain highways and streets; to provide relative to the elements of the offense; to provide for a definition; to provide for a statement of legislative intent; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 244—

BY REPRESENTATIVES HUGHES, CARLSON, CARVER, FREIBERG, SCHLEGEL, TAYLOR, AND YOUNG
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Part III of Chapter 43 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 17:4032.1, relative to academic assistance for certain public school students; to provide for student and service provider eligibility, program administration, payment amounts and uses, notifications, reports, and funding; to provide for an effective date contingent on necessary appropriations; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 267—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARVER, ADAMS, BAYHAM, BERAULT, CARLSON, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSION, COX, EDMONSTON, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GREEN, HUGHES, ILLG, MIKE JOHNSON, KNOX, MANDIE LANDRY, LARVADAIN, MARCELLE, MELERINE, MILLER, NEWELL, SCHLEGEL, STAGNI, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, WYBLE, AND YOUNG
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:24.10(A)(4)(a), (F), and (G) and to enact R.S. 17:24.10(H) through (K), relative to public education in kindergarten through third grade; to provide for annual numeracy assessment of certain students; to provide numeracy support to certain students; to require numeracy improvement plans; to authorize consolidation of certain academic plans for certain students; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 358—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BACALA, AMEDEE, BRASS, BROWN, ROBBY CARTER, COATES, DICKERSON, EDMONSTON, MACK, MUSCARELLO, WILDER, AND WILEY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:621.21(A) and 621.23, relative to the Twenty-First Judicial District Court and the Twenty-Third Judicial District Court; to create an additional judgeship for the Twenty-First Judicial District Court and the Twenty-Third Judicial District Court; to provide for compensation of the additional judge; to provide for the election and term of office of the additional judgeship and those of the successors in office; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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 to engage in tax increment financing; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 896—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MYERS, ADAMS, BERAULT, BOYER, BRYANT, CHASSION, EGAN, FISHER, HUGHES, JACKSON, KNOX, LYONS, MENA, MILLER, NEWELL, SELDERS, TAYLOR, TURNER, WALTERS, AND WYBLE
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.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY
Chairwoman

The above House Bills contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken to the Senate by the Clerk and were signed by the President of the Senate and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Governor for executive approval.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Bamburg, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider House Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments at this time.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the Senate with Amendments

Rep. Bamburg asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up at this time the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions just returned from the Senate, with amendments to be concurred in by the House, with a view of acting on the same:

HOUSE BILL NO. 762—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BAMBURG, AMEDEE, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BRASS, CARVER, CHASSION, HORTON, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, LYONS, MARCELLE, MYERS, OWEN, TAYLOR, WILDER, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:183.3(B)(3) and to enact R.S. 17:24.4(F)(1)(g), relative to student assessments; to exempt certain students from end-of-course testing requirements; to require the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to adopt rules relative to such exemption; to remove the requirement that certain students take the American College Test; to authorize students to take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery; to require the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to develop a system of equivalent scores for such test compared to the American College Test and WorkKeys test; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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The above bill was taken up with the amendments proposed by the Senate.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Reengrossed House Bill No. 762 by Representative Bamburg

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, delete "and to enact R.S. 17:24.4(F)(1)(g)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 3 through 6, and insert the following:

"student assessments; to remove the requirement that certain students take the American College Test; to authorize students to take the Armed"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 12, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 13 through 17, and insert the following:

"R.S. 17:183(B)(3) is hereby amended reenacted to read as follows:"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete lines 1 though 15

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Jackson-Andrews to Reengrossed House Bill No. 762 by Representative Bamburg

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 13, delete "R.S. 17:24.4(F)(1)(g)" and insert "R.S. 17:3.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after "enact", delete "R.S. 17:24.4(F)(1)(g)" and insert "R.S. 17:3.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, between lines 14, and 15 insert the following:

§10.3.1 Testing

Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, all students shall take the American College Test, the WorkKeys test, or the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery. The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall develop a system of equivalent scores for the American College Test, the WorkKeys test, and the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery and shall use a student's highest score achieved on such test or tests for purposes of the school and district accountability system required by R.S. 17:10.1."

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Jackson-Andrews to Reengrossed House Bill No. 762 by Representative Bamburg

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 3, proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and adopted by the

Senate on May 31, 2024, on page 1, line 10, after "amended" and before "reenacted" insert "and"

Rep. Bamburg moved that the amendments proposed by the Senate be rejected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Mr. Speaker	Farnum	Moore
Emerson	Hughes	Romero
Total - 6		

The amendments proposed by the Senate were rejected.

Conference committee appointment pending.

Conference Committee Reports Received

Conference Committee Reports were received for the following legislative instruments:

House Bill No. 873

Senate Bill Nos. 116, 119 and 466

The Conference Committee Reports for the above legislative instruments lie over under the rules.

Speaker DeVillier in the Chair

Suspension of the Rules

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

Petitions, Memorials, and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has concurred in the following House Concurrent Resolutions:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3
Returned without amendments

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

HOUSE BILLS

May 31, 2024

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

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

House Bill No. 2
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 3
Returned without amendments

House Bill No. 314
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 781
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 782
Returned with amendments

House Bill No. 843
Returned with amendments

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

May 31, 2024

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has appointed the following committee to serve with a like committee from the House to confer on the disagreement to House Bill No. 142: Senators Cloud, Edmonds and Miguez.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Conference Committee Appointment

The Speaker appointed the following conferees on the part of the House to confer with a like committee from the Senate on the disagreement to House Bill No. 762: Reps. Bamburg, Schlegel, and Beaulieu.

Conference Committee Reports Received

Conference Committee Reports were received for the following legislative instruments:

House Bill No. 142, 467 and 803

The Conference Committee Reports for the above legislative instruments lie over under the rules.

Recess

On motion of Rep. Michael Johnson, the Speaker declared the House at recess until 7:00 P.M.

After Recess

Speaker DeVillier called the House to order at 6:50 P.M.

House Business Resumed

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Zeringue, at 6:57 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Sunday, June 2, 2024, at 5:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 5:00 P.M., Sunday, June 2, 2024.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House

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

