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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

The House of Representatives was called to order at 9:06 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	McCormick
Adams	Egan	McFarland
Amedee	Emerson	McMahen
Bacala	Farnum	McMakin
Bagley	Firment	Melerine
Bamburg	Fisher	Mena
Bayham	Fontenot	Miller
Beaullieu	Freeman	Moore
Berault	Freiberg	Muscarello
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	Spell
Carlson	Hughes	St. Blanc
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.	Willard
Davis	Landry, M.	Wright
Deshotel	Landry, T.	Wyble

Dewitt	Larvadain	Young
Dickerson	Lyons	Zeringue
Domangue	Mack	
Echols	Marcelle	
Total - 103		

The Speaker announced that there were 103 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rep. Wilder.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Romero 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 October 28, 2025, was adopted.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Second Reading Reported by Committee

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
AN ACT

To enact Part I-B of Chapter 5 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 18:419, relative to the conduct of fall elections for party primary offices in 2026; to provide for the fall primary election to serve as a primary election for a party primary office to be elected in 2026; to provide for the fall general election to serve as a general election for a party primary office to be elected in 2026; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

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

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. 1—

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER AND REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU
AN ACT

To enact Part I-B of Chapter 5 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 18:419.1 and 419.2, relative to the conduct of elections in 2026; to provide for dates for spring elections in 2026; to provide for qualifying spring elections in 2026; to provide for nominating petitions for spring elections in 2026; to provide for election campaign finance disclosure filing deadlines for 2026; to provide certain authorizations to the secretary of state; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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Rep. Beaulieu moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns: Name, Dickerson, McFarland. Lists names like Mr. Speaker, Adams, Amedee, Bacala, Bagley, Bamburg, Bayham, Beaulieu, Berault, Billings, Bourriaque, Boyer, Braud, Butler, Carlson, Carrier, Carter, R., Carver, Chenevert, Coates, Cox, Crews, Davis, Deshotel, Dewitt, and Total - 73.

NAYS

Table with 3 columns: Name, Jackson, Mena. Lists names like Boyd, Brass, Brown, Bryant, Carpenter, Chassion, Fisher, Freeman, Green, Hughes, and Total - 29.

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns: Name, Stagni, Wiley. Lists Carter, W. and Total - 3.

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 2— BY SENATOR KLEINPETER AND REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 218 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 2 of Act No. 219 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 3 of Act No. 221 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 8 of Act No. 222 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Section 2 of Act No. 223 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to designating the statewide election for submitting proposed constitutional amendments

contained in joint resolutions concurred in during the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature to the electors of the state; to provide for a special statewide election to be held on May 16, 2026, for the purpose of submitting proposed constitutional amendments to the electors of the state; to provide for the conduct of such election; to change the date on which the proposed constitutional amendments shall be submitted to the electors; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Beaulieu moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns: Name, Dickerson, McFarland. Lists names like Mr. Speaker, Adams, Amedee, Bacala, Bagley, Bamburg, Bayham, Beaulieu, Berault, Billings, Bourriaque, Boyer, Braud, Butler, Carlson, Carrier, Carter, R., Carver, Chenevert, Coates, Cox, Crews, Davis, Deshotel, Dewitt, and Total - 73.

NAYS

Table with 3 columns: Name, Johnson, T., Miller. Lists names like Boyd, Brass, Brown, Bryant, Carpenter, Chassion, Fisher, Freeman, Green, Hughes, and Total - 28.

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns: Name, Stagni, Wiley. Lists Carter, W., Emerson, and Total - 4.

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

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

Suspension of the Rules

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

Introduction of Resolutions, House and House Concurrent

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAYHAM, BEAULIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIAQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, DESHOTEL, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FIRMENT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GLORIOSO, HEBERT, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCFARLAND, MELERINE, MENA, MOORE, NEWELL, OWEN, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, WALTERS, WILDER, WRIGHT, AND WYBLE

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Congress of the United States to enact legislation authorizing reimbursement to states that use non-federal funds to continue providing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits during a federal government shutdown.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Illg, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was ordered passed to its third reading.

Suspension of the Rules

Rep. Illg moved to suspend the rules to take up House Concurrent Resolution No. 1 on the same day it was passed to its third reading, which motion was agreed to.

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. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAYHAM, BEAULIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIAQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, DESHOTEL, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FIRMENT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GLORIOSO, HEBERT, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCFARLAND, MELERINE, MENA, MOORE, NEWELL, OWEN, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, WALTERS, WILDER, WRIGHT, AND WYBLE

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Congress of the United States to enact legislation authorizing reimbursement to states that use non-federal funds to continue providing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits during a federal government shutdown.

Read by title.

Rep. Illg moved the adoption of the resolution.

By a vote of 101 yeas and 0 nays, the resolution was adopted.

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

October 29, 2025

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

SIGNED SENATE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

October 29, 2025

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. 1 and 2

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.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Michael Johnson, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Senate that the House has completed its labors and is prepared to adjourn *sine die*: Reps. Hughes and Willard.

Reports of Special Committees

The special committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House had completed its labors and was prepared to adjourn *sine die* reported that it had performed that duty.

The Speaker thanked and discharged the committee.

Committee from the Senate

A special committee from the Senate notified the House that the Senate has completed its labors and is prepared to adjourn *sine die*.

The Speaker thanked and dismissed the committee.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

October 29, 2025

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. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIAQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, DESHOTEL, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FIRMENT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GLORIOSO, HEBERT, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCFARLAND, MELERINE, MENA, MOORE, NEWELL, OWEN, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, WALTERS, WILDER, WRIGHT, AND WYBLE

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Congress of the United States to enact legislation authorizing reimbursement to states that use non-federal funds to continue providing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits during a federal government shutdown.

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

October 29, 2025

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. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEVILLIER, ADAMS, BACALA, BAMBURG, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOYD, BRASS, BRAUD, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARPENTER, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, CREWS, DAVIS, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, EMERSON, FIRMENT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREIBERG, GLORIOSO, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, HUGHES, JACKSON, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCFARLAND, MOORE, NEWELL, ORGERON, OWEN, PHELPS, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, VENTRELLA, VILLIO, WALTERS, WILEY, WILLARD, WYBLE, AND YOUNG AND SENATORS BARROW, BOUDREAUX, CARTER, CONNICK, DUPLESSIS, EDMONDS, HARRIS, HENRY, JACKSON-ANDREWS, JENKINS, LUNEAU, MILLER, MIZELL, MYERS, OWEN, PRESSLY, PRICE, SELDERS, STINE, AND WOMACK

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health to take immediate action utilizing any available revenue source to address the suspension of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits caused by the federal government shutdown.

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.

Leave of Absence

Rep. Stagni - 1 day

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 12:04 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn *sine die*.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned *sine die*.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House

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