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FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

The House of Representatives was called to order at 5:02 P.M.,
by the Honorable Michael Johnson, Speaker Pro Tempore of the
House of Representatives.

Morning Hour

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

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

The Speaker Pro Tempore announced that there were 95
members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rep. Turner.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Spell 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 April 22, 2025, was
adopted.

**Petitions, Memorials, and
Communications**

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

Message from the Senate

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

April 23, 2025

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. 8 and 10

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. 8—

BY SENATORS CATHEY AND LUNEAU

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Sport Fish Restoration Program, a part of the
American System of Conservation Funding, on its seventy-fifth
anniversary.

Read by title.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—

BY SENATORS STINE, ABRAHAM AND REESE AND
REPRESENTATIVES BOURRIAQUE, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER,
FARNUM, GEYMAN, ROMERO AND TARVER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana
upon the passing of Daniel Michael "Mike" Danahay Jr., and to
recognize his lifetime of service, faith, and dedication to his
family, community, and country.

Read by title.

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

Suspension of the Rules

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

Petitions, Memorials, and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

SENATE BILLS

April 23, 2025

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

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

Senate Bill Nos. 72, 75, 78, 98, 116 and 147

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on First Reading

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on first reading were taken up, read, and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

SENATE BILL NO. 72—

BY SENATORS REESE, BASS, BOUIE, CONNICK, FOIL, JENKINS,
LAMBERT, LUNEAU, MIZELL AND WHEAT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 17:3394.3(B) and the introductory paragraph of (C) and to enact R.S. 17:3394.3(A)(6) and (D), relative to the issuance of bonds; to provide relative to financing for certain capital improvement projects within the Louisiana Community and Technical College System; to provide for debt service payment obligation limits; to provide for a list of projects authorized to be financed from the issuance of bonds; to require match funds for such projects; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 75—

BY SENATOR MILLER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Sections 1, 2, and 3 of Act No. 19 of the 2024 Third Extraordinary Session of the Legislature as that Act was enacted by the legislature, which Act amended and reenacted R.S. 13:4163, relative to legislative continuances and extensions for legislators and legislative employees; to provide with respect to continuance and extension of deadlines; to authorize members of the legislature and legislative employees to file legislative continuances in certain circumstances; to provide for

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

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 78—

BY SENATOR MYERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1021(B), relative to drug paraphernalia; to provide for exemptions from the definition of drug paraphernalia; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 98—

BY SENATORS MYERS AND TALBOT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:989, relative to controlled dangerous substances; to provide relative to the elements of unlawful inhalation, ingestion, use, or possession of certain substances; to provide for an exception; to provide for penalties; to provide for enforcement; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 116—

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 35:191(V), relative to notaries public; to provide authorization for a notary appointed and qualified in St. Martin Parish and St. Landry Parish to exercise notarial functions in all such parishes, without bonding or further application or examination; to provide for qualifications and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 147—

BY SENATOR JACKSON-ANDREWS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:2285, relative to the Tensas Parish Port, Harbor and Terminal District; to provide relative to the issuance of bonds; to provide relative to limitations and obligations; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. LaFleur, 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. 66—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

A RESOLUTION

To designate Thursday, April 24, 2025, as Junior League Day at the state capitol and to commend the Junior League for its contributions to Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 67—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Madison Francis Guidry on being crowned 2025 Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival Queen.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 68—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Steve Masters, director of LSU Baptist Collegiate Ministry, on the occasion of his retirement.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 69—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

A RESOLUTION

To designate Friday, May 9, 2025, as AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Volunteer Day and to commend the AmeriCorps Seniors Southern University at Shreveport Caddo/Bossier/DeSoto Foster Grandparent Volunteer Program for forty-five years of service.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 70—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 23, 2025, as Plaquemines Parish Day at the state capitol.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHASSION

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Bryson "Cupid" Bernard for his achievements as a recording artist and to recognize him as the Linedance King of the World.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 93—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:1109.5(C), relative to the authority of the Acadiana Regional Juvenile Justice District to levy certain taxes; to provide for the authorization and levy of certain taxes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 653—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6023(I), relative to tax credits; to provide with respect to the sound recording investor tax credit; to extend the period in which investors may apply for the tax credit; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 654—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:301.7, relative to sales and use taxes; to provide for the applicability of certain sales and use tax incentives; to provide for requirements and limitations; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 655—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FISHER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:31.36(A) through (C) and to enact R.S. 40:31.36(F), relative to fees charged by the Louisiana Department of Health in parish health units for certain healthcare services; to provide for maximum fees to be charged; to authorize rulemaking; to provide for the manner of setting and posting fee schedules; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 656—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:321.1(A), (B), (C), (E), and (F), to enact R.S. 39:100.254, and to repeal R.S. 47:321.1(G) and (H), relative to state sales and use tax; to increase the state sales and use tax rate; to establish the Teacher Compensation Fund; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use of monies in the

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Teacher Compensation Fund; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 657— BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1046(G)(1)(b), relative to fees collected by the Louisiana Department of Health for therapeutic marijuana; to require the Louisiana Department of Health to collect an annual fee from retail permit holders authorized to sell therapeutic marijuana; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 658— BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 54-A of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 46:2693, relative to intergovernmental relations; to impose fees on addiction recovery providers; to establish the Medicaid Trust Fund for Addiction Recovery; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use of monies in the Medicaid Trust Fund for Addiction Recovery; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 659— BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1708, relative to ad valorem taxation; to provide with respect to certain ad valorem tax exemptions; to provide for definitions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 660— BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD AND SENATOR CARTER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:462(B)(1) and (2)(a), relative to motor vehicle registration tax on trucks and trailers; to increase the annual registration or license tax for semitrailers or trailers statewide; to increase the one time fee for a permanent license and registration for semitrailers and trailers; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 661— BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:4.7, 31.32(D) and (E) and 1046(G)(1)(b), to enact R.S. 40:31.31.1, 31.40, and 1046(H)(4)(e), and to repeal R.S. 40:31.32 (F), relative to fees collected by the Louisiana Department of Health, office of public health; to provide for vendor fees at certain events; to provide for fees for export and free sale certificates; to provide for sewage fees; to establish fees for the review of plans for certain facilities; to establish fees related to the sale and

production of therapeutic marijuana; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 662— BY REPRESENTATIVE LYONS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:847, relative to insurance premium taxes; to levy a tax on the issuance of certain commercial insurance policies; to provide for the amount of the tax; to provide for requirements and limitations; to provide for the disposition of the avails of the tax; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 663— BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMONT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:302.57, relative to the disposition of certain sales tax collections; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use of such monies; to provide with respect to the powers and duties of the Department of Revenue and the Department of Insurance; to provide for promulgation of rules; to provide definitions; to provide an effective date; to require reports to the legislature; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 664— BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

AN ACT

To appropriate funds for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 to defray the expenses of the Louisiana Legislature, including the expenses of the House of Representatives and the Senate, of legislative service agencies, and of the Louisiana State Law Institute; to provide for the salary, expenses, and allowances of members, officers, staff, and agencies of the Legislature; to provide with respect to the appropriations and allocations herein made; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 665— BY REPRESENTATIVES WILLARD AND DAVIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6020(D)(1) and (2)(a), (G), and (H), relative to tax credits; to provide with respect to the Angel Investor Tax Credit Program; to extend the duration of the program; to remove certain limitations on claiming of the credit; to provide for applicability; to provide for effective dates; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 666— BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(A), 287.12, 300.1, 300.3(3), 301.1(F), and 301.3 and to enact Subpart P-6 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. 39:100.118, and R.S.

47:1603(D), relative to revenue and taxation; to provide for the rate of individual income tax; to provide for the rate of corporation income tax; to provide for rates of tax on the income of estates and trusts; to provide for sales and use taxes; to impose sales and use tax on certain services; to provide for sales tax rates; to dedicate certain amounts of sales tax revenues; to provide for a limited waiver of penalties; to create and provide for the Local Revenue Fund; to authorize uses of monies in the fund; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 667—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xxvii) and 297.26, relative to income tax; to authorize an individual income tax deduction for taxpayers sixty-five years of age and older; to provide for the amount of the deduction; to provide for certain requirements and limitations; to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 668—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:841(B) and 842 and to enact R.S. 47:841(H), relative to the tobacco tax; to provide for the tax on cigarettes; to authorize a reduction in excise tax rates levied on tobacco products under certain circumstances; to provide for the calculation of the tax on certain tobacco products; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 669—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:841(B) and 842 and to enact R.S. 47:841(H), relative to the tobacco tax; to provide for the tax on cigarettes; to authorize a reduction in excise tax rates levied on tobacco products under certain circumstances; to provide for the calculation of the tax on certain tobacco products; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 670—

BY REPRESENTATIVE AMEDEE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 6:1056 and R.S. 39:100.254, relative to services regulated by the commissioner of financial institutions; to provide relative to financial services furnished by persons licensed by the commissioner to engage in the business of money transmission; to impose fees for the transmission of money to locations outside the United States; to specify the amounts of the fees; to dedicate the proceeds of the fees; to establish the Human Trafficking Prevention and Victim Services Fund as a special fund in the state treasury; to provide

for uses of monies in the fund; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 671—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GLORIOSO

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:6041, relative to tax credits; to establish an income tax credit for donations to certain organizations that serve victims of human trafficking; to provide for definitions; to provide for qualifications; to provide for the amount of the credit; to provide for requirements and limitations; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 672—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 14 of Title 22 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 22:2271 through 2273, relative to the funding of the Catastrophe Reinsurance Program; to authorize the issuance of bonds by the State Bond Commission to fund the Catastrophe Reinsurance Program; to provide for the purposes of the program; to provide for the duties of the State Bond Commission; to provide for requirements and limitations for the issuance of the bonds; to provide for the payment of the principal and interest on the bonds; to exempt catastrophe bonds from state taxes; to exclude catastrophe bonds from the calculation of net state tax supported debt; to provide for a procedure for certain parties to contest the legality of the bonds; to authorize the State Bond Commission to employ certain professionals; to provide for the rights and remedies of catastrophe bondholders; to provide for the termination of the Catastrophe Reinsurance Program under certain circumstances; to establish the Catastrophe Reinsurance Program Fund in the state treasury; to provide for the deposit and use of the monies in the fund; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on
Administration of Criminal Justice

April 23, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 12, by Schlegel
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

House Bill No. 23, by Muscarello
Reported with amendments. (9-0)

House Bill No. 49, by Melerine
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

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House Bill No. 101, by Muscarello
Reported by substitute. (7-4)

House Bill No. 292, by Knox
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 363, by Cox
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

House Bill No. 394, by Muscarello
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 540, by Fontenot
Reported with amendments. (8-0)

House Bill No. 572, by Glorioso
Reported by substitute. (10-0)

DEBBIE VILLIO
Chair

Report of the Committee on Education

April 23, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 51, by Young
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

House Bill No. 52, by Willard
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 109, by Thompson
Reported favorably. (11-0)

House Bill No. 142, by Mena
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 201, by St. Blanc
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 213, by St. Blanc
Reported favorably. (9-0)

House Bill No. 246, by Amedee
Reported favorably. (9-0)

House Bill No. 321, by Wyble
Reported with amendments. (11-0)

House Bill No. 378, by Wilder
Reported favorably. (8-0)

House Bill No. 395, by Brass
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

House Bill No. 466, by Carlson
Reported with amendments. (9-0)

House Bill No. 558, by Davis
Reported with amendments. (11-0)

House Bill No. 589, by Owen, Charles
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

LAURIE SCHLEGEL
Chair

Report of the Committee on Health and Welfare

April 23, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Health and Welfare to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 115, by Stagni
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 118, by Egan
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 314, by Miller, D.
Reported with amendments. (14-0)

House Bill No. 317, by Echols
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 358, by Miller, D.
Reported favorably. (11-0)

House Bill No. 399, by Chenevert
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

House Bill No. 454, by Miller, D.
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 456, by Turner
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 539, by Berault
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 544, by Turner
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

DUSTIN MILLER
Chair

Report of the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

April 23, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 206, by Melerine
Reported favorably. (9-0)

House Bill No. 216, by Jackson
Reported with amendments. (14-0)

House Bill No. 342, by Bayham
Reported with amendments. (9-5)

House Bill No. 385, by Bryant
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 397, by Beaulieu
Reported by substitute. (14-0)

House Bill No. 502, by Butler
Reported with amendments. (13-1)

House Bill No. 590, by Spell, Annie

Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 603, by McMakin
Reported with amendments. (14-0)

House Bill No. 617, by Carver
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 624, by Berault
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 625, by Butler
Reported favorably. (12-0)

GERALD "BEAU" BEAULLIEU, IV
Chair

Report of the Committee on
Insurance

April 23, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 121, by Adams
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 122, by Berault
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 148, by Wiley
Reported favorably. (15-0)

House Bill No. 329, by Hebert
Reported with amendments. (15-0)

House Bill No. 345, by Wyble
Reported with amendments. (14-0)

House Bill No. 437, by Firment
Reported favorably. (10-5)

House Bill No. 438, by Firment
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 441, by Henry, Chance
Reported favorably. (10-0)

MICHAEL "GABE" FIRMMENT
Chair

Report of the Committee on
Natural Resources and Environment

April 23, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 154, by McMahan
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 196, by Stagni
Reported favorably. (11-0)

House Bill No. 205, by McCormick
Reported favorably. (11-0)

House Bill No. 459, by Coates
Reported with amendments. (9-0)

House Bill No. 615, by Geymann
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 637, by Coates
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 638, by Coates
Reported favorably. (9-0)

BRETT F. GEYMAN
Chair

House and House Concurrent Resolutions Lying Over

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 36—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN

A RESOLUTION

To approve the annual state integrated coastal protection plan for Fiscal Year 2026, as adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 40—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TAYLOR

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study and take measures on the benefits of connecting West 10th Street in Reserve, Louisiana, to Interstate 10 to relieve traffic congestion.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 59—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the United States Congress to delay the implementation of REAL ID until 2026.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create a task force to study and evaluate stable and sufficient funding mechanisms for the office of the state public defender.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—

BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to pass the Processing Revival and Intrastate Meat Exemption Act (PRIME Act) during the 119th Congress, emphasizing the critical importance of local control over meat processing and the growth of Louisiana's meat production industry to enhance economic resilience, support small farmers, and meet the needs of Louisiana citizens.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading to be Referred

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 2—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

AN ACT

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

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

AN ACT

To enact the Omnibus Bond Authorization Act of 2025, relative to the implementation of a five-year capital improvement program; to provide for the repeal of certain prior bond authorizations; to provide for new bond authorizations; to provide for authorization and sale of such bonds by the State Bond Commission; to provide relative to the submission of capital outlay applications; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 8—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GLORIOSO

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:1751.2, relative to public retirement systems; to provide relative to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System; to provide relative to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System; to provide for membership in a state or statewide retirement system in lieu of membership in another state or statewide retirement system; to provide for service credit; to provide for eligibility; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 98—

BY REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the heading of Part III-F of Title 19 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and R.S. 19:135(2), 135.1(A), 135.2(1) and (3), 135.4, and 135.7(1), relative to expropriation by Lincoln Parish; to authorize Lincoln Parish to expropriate by a declaration of taking; to define terms; to provide for purposes of the expropriation; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 162—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4720.151(H)(3), relative to East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to the East Baton Rouge Redevelopment Authority; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the authority; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

Speaker DeVillier in the Chair

HOUSE BILL NO. 242—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHENEVERT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9103(A)(6), relative to the East Baton Rouge Parish Communications District; to provide relative to the membership of the board of commissioners; to increase the membership of the board; to provide for appointment of board members; to provide relative to the terms of office of the board members; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 609—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4094.2, relative to the city of New Orleans; to provide relative to the sewerage and water board; to require the board to assess a stormwater fee on parcels located within the city; to provide for the calculation of the fee; to provide for definitions; to provide for limitations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 611—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4071, 4073, 4077, 4077.1, 4078, 4091(D), and 4136 and to repeal R.S. 33:4087, 4088, and 4146, relative to the city of New Orleans; to provide relative to the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans; to provide relative to the membership of the board; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the board; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 641—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 30:1104(G) and 1104.3, relative to Class VI injection well permitting; to authorize the governing authority of Jefferson Davis Parish to determine whether Class VI wells may be permitted within the parish; to provide for notice to the Department of Energy and Natural Resources; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 642—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILDER
AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 47:297.8, relative to individual income tax; to repeal the earned income tax credit; and to provide for an effective date.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 643—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON
AN ACT

Relative to the appropriation of monies out of the state general fund to be used to pay the consent judgment captioned "Rachelle Elizabeth Deroche versus State of Louisiana through its Department of Transportation & Development and Jordan Gaten" between the state of Louisiana, through the Department of Transportation and Development and its employee Jordan Gaten, and Rachelle Elizabeth Deroche; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 644—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:86, relative to court costs; to provide relative to court costs collected for civil filings and criminal convictions; to provide for the allocation of such costs; to provide for the use of proceeds of such costs; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 645—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:32(A) and 294, relative to income tax; to provide for the rate of the tax levied on the net income of individuals; to provide for the standard deduction; to provide for the amount of the standard deduction under certain circumstances; to provide for the annual adjustment of the amount of the standard deduction; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 646—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBBY CARTER
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 12 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:1071 through 1074, relative to excise taxes; to establish an excise tax on geologic storage of carbon dioxide; to provide for administration of the tax; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 647—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To appropriate funds to defray the expenses of the Louisiana Judiciary, including the Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, District Courts, Criminal District Court of Orleans Parish, and other courts; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 648—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1254(A) and 1280.22(A) and to enact R.S. 18:454 and 464(B)(5), relative to candidate qualifying fees for an election; to provide for the imposition of a candidate qualifying fee; to provide for the dedication of certain revenues from the collection of a candidate qualifying fee; to establish the Campaign Sign Recycling Fund as a special fund in the state treasury; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use of monies in the Campaign Sign Recycling Fund; to provide for the powers and duties of the state treasurer; to provide for the powers and duties of the secretary of state; to provide for a prior Act of the Legislature of Louisiana; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 649—
BY REPRESENTATIVE VENTRELLA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4570, 4570.2, and 4570.4(B) and to enact R.S. 33:4570.7, relative to East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to park and recreation facilities within the parish; to provide relative to the Recreation and Park Commission for the parish of East Baton Rouge; to provide relative to the boundaries and powers and duties of the commission; to exclude certain territory and property from the jurisdiction of the commission; to provide for the creation of a recreation district in the city of Central; to provide relative to the boundaries, purpose, governance, and powers and duties of the district; to provide for district funding; to include certain territory and property within the jurisdiction of the district; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 650—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 27:625(B) and (G)(8) and to enact R.S. 27:625(G)(9) and R.S. 15:572.10, relative to mobile sports wagering tax; to provide for a tax increase on mobile sports wagering; to provide for a dedication of the tax revenue; to provide for the creation of the Overdetention Compensation Fund; to provide for the availability of civil remedies; to provide for the adoption of rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

HOUSE BILL NO. 651—

BY REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG

AN ACT

To enact Subpart D of Part IV of Chapter 2 of Title 2 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 2:350.1 through 350.6, relative to the creation of the Claiborne Parish Airport District No. 31; to create the Claiborne Parish Airport District No. 31; to provide for powers and duties of the district; to provide for the governance of the board of commissioners; to provide specific authority to the board upon an approval date by the Federal Aviation Administration; to provide for local government compliance; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading to be Referred

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

SENATE BILL NO. 5—

BY SENATOR WHEAT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Arts. 4843(E) and (G), relative to jurisdictional limits of city courts; to provide relative to the amount in dispute when the civil jurisdiction is concurrent with the district court; to provide with respect to the jurisdictional amount in dispute in the City Court of Hammond; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 9—

BY SENATORS BASS, ABRAHAM, BARROW, CLOUD, HENSGENS, HODGES, KLEINPETER AND MIGUEZ AND REPRESENTATIVE BAMBURG

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 14:337(A)(1) and (B)(4) and to enact R.S. 14:337(A)(1)(c), (B)(5), and (E)(5), relative to unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system; to prohibit use of an unmanned aircraft system over federal and state military installations and facilities; to provide definitions and penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

SENATE BILL NO. 21—

BY SENATOR WHEAT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:34.8(B)(3) and 40.9(B)(3), relative to assault and battery; to add veterinarians and veterinary clinics to the definitions of "healthcare professional" and "healthcare facility" for purposes of battery of emergency room personnel, emergency services personnel, or a healthcare professional and unlawful disruption of the operation of a healthcare facility; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

SENATE BILL NO. 38—

BY SENATOR HENSGENS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:67.23, relative to theft; to create the crime of theft of gift cards or gift card redemption information; to provide relative to fraudulent acquisition of gift cards or gift card redemption information; to provide relative to forgery, alteration, or duplication of gift cards, gift card packaging, or gift card redemption information; to provide definitions and penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

SENATE BILL NO. 118—

BY SENATOR FOIL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3088 and to enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xxvii), relative to the Achieving a Better Life Experience Account Program (ABLE); to provide relative to tax table income; to exclude certain deposits into ABLE accounts for financing of certain qualified expenses of persons with disabilities; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 144—

BY SENATOR WOMACK

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:1862(C), relative to the Vidalia Port Commission; to provide relative to the issuance of bonds by the commission; to provide relative to limitations; to provide relative to obligations of the commission; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 146—

BY SENATOR JACKSON-ANDREWS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:1503(C) and 1504(C), relative to the Lake Providence Port Commission; to provide relative to the powers of the commission; to provide relative to the issuance of

bonds by the commission; to provide relative to limitations; to provide relative to obligations of the commission; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

House and House Concurrent Resolutions Reported by Committee

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 5— BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON

A RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the Louisiana legislative auditor to examine, investigate, and audit the firemen's supplemental pay program.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4— BY REPRESENTATIVE BILLINGS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To amend and reenact the Louisiana State Board of Cosmetology rules (LAC 46:XXXI.101 and 1101(A)) and to repeal rules (LAC 46:XXXI.1105 and 1107), which provide definitions, a special permit, and a curriculum relative to alternative hair and alternative hair design, and to direct the office of the state register to print the amendments and notice of repeal in the Louisiana Administrative Code.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Concurrent Resolution No. 4 by Representative Billings

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, delete lines 10 through 19 in their entirety

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

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committee

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 167—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TAYLOR

AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 3188 in LaPlace, Louisiana, as the "Veterans Memorial Highway"; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 209—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:2212(C)(5) and 2241(A)(3), relative to the financing structure for public works projects in Ascension Parish; to provide for the "contract limit" for public works projects in Ascension Parish; to increase the performance bond for projects in Ascension Parish; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to Original House Bill No. 209 by Representative Brass

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 16, after "of" and before "thousand" delete "fifty" and insert "five hundred"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 226—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREIBERG

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:322.9(B), relative to the use of monies in certain treasury funds; to provide for the use of monies in the East Baton Rouge Parish Enhancement Fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 254—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 67-A of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:3275.1 through 3275.5, relative to energy utility providers that provide annual consumption reporting mechanisms; to provide for definitions; to require the Public Service Commission to publish certain utility data; to provide for information gathering; to provide for

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

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 254 by Representative Crews

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 21, change "self-report" to "report"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 283—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TARVER

AN ACT

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

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Appropriations.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to Original House Bill No. 283 by Representative Tarver

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, line 20, after "Bill No." and before "of this" insert "295"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 288—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3408(B) and 3415.2(3) and (4) and to repeal R.S. 37:3398(C) and 3415.10(D), relative to real estate appraisers; to provide for continuing education requirements; to provide for definitions; to repeal in regards to an application time line; to repeal a sunset provision; to provide for effective dates; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 294—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BAGLEY AND BAMBURG

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 4(D)(3) of the Constitution of Louisiana and to repeal Article VII, Section 4(D)(4) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to state severance tax revenues; to repeal limits on amounts of severance tax revenues remitted to parishes; to repeal requirements associated with certain severance tax revenue amounts remitted to parishes; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 295—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TARVER

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Sections 10(C) and (E) and 11(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to state finances; to provide for calculation of a limit above which certain funds may only be appropriated for certain purposes; to provide for exceptions; to authorize the legislature to change the limit in certain circumstances; to provide for the establishment of an initial limit; to provide relative to the duties of the governor with respect to state finances; to provide with respect to the powers and duties of the Revenue Estimating Conference; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 312—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2318.1(A), relative to negotiations for architectural and engineering professional services; to prohibit the state and certain governmental entities or persons they contract with from using price or price-related information as a factor in the selection of specific architectural and engineering professionals for projects using state or local funding; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to Original House Bill No. 312 by Representative Gadberry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 9 in its entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 16, after "contract" and before "may" delete "with" and insert "through"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 318—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:912.22(8), relative to manufactured and modular housing in flood-prone areas; to provide for minimum standards adopted by FEMA; to provide for permit information; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 318 by Representative Gadberry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 11 through 20 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"(8)(a) In flood-prone areas, the foundation shall comply with the requirements set forth in the manual, Manufactured Home Installation In Flood Hazard Areas, published by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Nothing in this Paragraph shall be construed to prohibit state or local jurisdictions from adopting more stringent elevation or freeboard requirements than those contained in the FEMA manual, consistent with Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph.

(b) For all manufactured and modular home installations in this state, the state and political subdivisions may adopt laws, rules, ordinances, building codes, or other measures to regulate installations that include additional freeboard requirements beyond the minimum standards adopted by the National Flood Insurance Program, 42 U.S.C. 4011, et seq. in order to incentivize going above the minimum floodplain management standards. Freeboard requirements shall be uniformly applied based on the Base Flood Elevation established in the currently adopted Flood Insurance Rate Map for the jurisdiction, and shall not vary based on alternative or superseded mapping sources.

(c) All applications submitted to and permits issued by a jurisdiction's permit office shall include the Base Flood Elevation at the permitted site and the required finished floor elevation, including any applicable freeboard."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

Delete page 2 in its entirety

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 326—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BUTLER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:571(B), 572(B) through (E), and 599(A)(2), (5), and (6), relative to the Louisiana Cosmetology Act; to provide for membership of the state board of

cosmetology; to provide for the qualifications of board members; to provide for fees; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 326 by Representative Butler

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, delete line 26 and 27 and insert in lieu thereof:

"* * "

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A. The following fees shall be assessed by the board:"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, between lines 24 and 25, insert:

"(d) Booth rental permit, special
permit, or temporary permit \$50.00"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 336—
BY REPRESENTATIVES WILDER, BAMBURG, BERAULT, BILLINGS,
CARLSON, CARVER, CHENEVERT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE,
EDMONSTON, EGAN, FIRMENT, GALLE, GLORIOSO, HEBERT, HENRY,
MIKE JOHNSON, MCMAKIN, MELERINE, SCHAMERHORN, AND
WYBLE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 76, relative to venue for actions on insurance policies; to provide relative to uninsured and underinsured motorist policies; to provide for an exception to specific venue provisions for certain parties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 347—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY AND SENATOR WOMACK
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:126, relative to change orders for a project in the Capital Outlay Act; to provide relative to threshold amounts required for approval and review by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Appropriations.

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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 370—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:563(13) through (17) and to enact R.S. 37:563(18) through (21) and 584.1, relative to the Louisiana Cosmetology Act; to provide for definitions; to establish a special permit for natural hair braiding services; to provide for permit qualifications; to provide for fees to the Louisiana State Board of Cosmetology; to provide for exemptions; to provide for state preemption; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 370 by Representative Bayham

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 14, change "fifteen-question" to "twenty-question"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 374—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:340.1(A), relative to collection and remittance of sales and use taxes; to provide for the collection and remittance of taxes on certain remote sales; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 381—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

AN ACT

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

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 427—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BAMBURG, BERAULT, CARLSON, CARVER, CHENEVERT, COATES, DAVIS, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FIRMENT, GALLE, GLORIOSO, HENRY, MIKE JOHNSON, WILDER, AND WYBLE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:4212, relative to civil damages; to provide for the payment of certain expenses in a personal injury claim; to provide for the payment of medical expenses; to require a

claimant to present invoices for outstanding medical and related expenses; to provide for the payment of future medical and related expenses; to require the use of a reversionary trust in certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 432—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CHENEVERT, EDMONSTON, AND MIKE JOHNSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3580.13(B) and (C) and to enact R.S. 9:3580.13(D) and (E), relative to third-party litigation financing; to provide relative to the funds recoverable by litigation financiers; to provide relative to disclosure of litigation financing contracts or agreements; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 435—

BY REPRESENTATIVES EGAN, EDMONSTON, FIRMENT, GALLE, AND WYBLE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1899, relative to payment of certain claims; to provide for certain injury claims; to provide for limitations; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Original House Bill No. 435 by Representative Egan

AMENDMENT NO. 1

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

"B. In a suit for damages arising from a delictual action, the tortfeasor shall not be required to pay an amount in"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 436—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FIRMENT AND EDMONSTON

AN ACT

To enact Civil Code Article 2315.12, relative to recovery of damages for unauthorized aliens; to provide a definition; to prohibit award of certain damages for unauthorized aliens in an automobile accident; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 439—

BY REPRESENTATIVES HEBERT, BAMBURG, BERAULT, CARLSON, CARVER, CHENEVERT, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, FIRMONT, GALLE, GLORIOSO, HENRY, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:218(C), relative to contingency fees; to provide for a limit on contingency fees an attorney may charge; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Original House Bill No. 439 by Representative Hebert

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "(C)" and before the comma "," delete "and (D)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 6, after "(C)" and before "hereby" delete "and (D) are" and insert "is"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

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

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete lines 13 and 14 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(2) In a delictual action, if the fee charged by an attorney is contingent, the contingency fee percentage shall be considered discoverable. A nondisclosure agreement that prohibits or prevents the disclosure of the contingency fee percentage shall be considered null and unenforceable to the extent that it prohibits or prevents the disclosure of the contingency fee percentage.

"(3) An officer of the court with knowledge of an attorney who has violated the provisions of this Subsection shall file"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 449—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARLSON, BAMBURG, BERAULT, BILLINGS, CARVER, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, DEWITT, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, GALLE, GLORIOSO, HEBERT, HENRY, MCMAKIN, MELERINE, TURNER, WILDER, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:218(C), relative to fees collected by attorneys; to require an attorney to disclose his interest with the court in certain circumstances; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Original House Bill No. 449 by Representative Carlson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 10, after "attorney" and before "can" insert a comma "," and insert "other than the attorney of record."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 15, after the comma "," and before "the" insert "other than a fee for legal services provided for in the case,"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 17 and 18 in their entirety and on page 2, delete lines 1 and 2 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(3) Information required to be disclosed to the court pursuant to this Subsection shall be considered discoverable. A nondisclosure agreement that prohibits or prevents the disclosures required pursuant to this Subsection shall be considered null and unenforceable to the extent that it prohibits or prevents the disclosure of the information required to be disclosed.

"(4) An officer of the court with knowledge of an attorney who has violated the provisions of this Subsection shall file a complaint against the attorney for the violation with the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board."

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 508—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LARVADAIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 29:27.2(A) through (D), relative to the Port of New Orleans; to provide for a parking fee exemption for Louisiana service-connected disabled veterans at the Port of New Orleans cruise terminals; to establish identification and residency requirements applicable to the parking fee exemption at the cruise terminals for the Port of New Orleans; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 509—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MOORE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:563(18) through (23), 581.1, and 581.2, relative to alternative hair design and natural hair braiding; to provide for definitions; to define unregulated services and establish natural hair braiding as an unregulated service; to provide for state preemption; to provide for alternative hair design certification; and to provide for related matters.

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Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 517—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:841(F), relative to the tobacco tax; to levy an additional tax on vapor products and electronic cigarettes; to provide for the basis to which the tax is calculated; to provide with respect to the application of the tax on vapor products and electronic cigarettes in the inventory of certain retail and wholesale dealers; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Ways and Means.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to Original House Bill No. 517 by Representative Brass

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 3, after "after" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety, delete line 4 in its entirety, and at the beginning of line 5, delete "1, 2025." and insert "January 1, 2026."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 6, after "hand" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and at the beginning of line 7, delete "1," and insert " as of December 31,"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 7, after "filed by" and before the period "." delete "August 1, 2025" and insert "February 1, 2026"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, at the end of line 10, delete "July 1, 2025." and insert "January 1, 2026."

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 523—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:306(A)(3) and to enact R.S. 47:337.2(B)(3)(e), 337.18(A)(3), 337.23(C)(1)(a)(ii), and 340(G)(6)(d), relative to sales and use taxes; to provide for the compensation of certain dealers for the accounting for and remittance of taxes levied by taxing authorities; to provide for the amount of compensation; to authorize vendor's compensation as an item on certain electronic tax returns; to provide for limitations; to provide for applicability; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Ways and Means.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to Original House Bill No. 523 by Representative Romero

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the beginning of line 2, after "To" and before "enact" insert "amend and reenact R.S. 47:306(A)(3) and to"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after "levied by" and before "taxing" delete "certain local"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete line 9 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 47:306(A)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 47:337.2(B)(3)(e), 337.18(A)(3), 337.23(C)(1)(a)(ii), and"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following:

"§306. Returns and payment of tax; penalty for absorption

A.

* * *

(3)(a) For the purpose of compensating the dealer in accounting for and remitting the tax levied by this Chapter, each dealer shall be allowed ~~one and five~~ eighty-four hundredths of one percent of the amount of tax due and accounted for and remitted to the secretary in the form of a deduction in submitting his report and paying the amount due by him, provided the amount of any credit claimed for taxes already paid to a wholesaler shall not be deducted in computing the commission allowed the dealer ~~hereunder pursuant to this Paragraph~~. The aggregate state compensation for a dealer who operates one or more business locations within Louisiana shall not exceed seven hundred fifty dollars per calendar month. This compensation shall be allowed only if the payment of the dealer is timely paid and the return is timely filed. ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the calculation of this deduction shall be based only on the taxes levied pursuant to R.S. 47:302, 321, 331, and R.S. 51:1286. There shall be no compensation for the taxes accounted for and remitted pursuant to R.S. 47:321.1 or any other sales tax levied by the state.~~

(b) ~~Municipalities are hereby authorized to pay compensation to their sales tax dealers in any amounts designated by the governing body of the municipality.~~

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, delete lines 4 through 10 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(3) For the purpose of compensating the dealer in accounting for and remitting the tax levied by a local ordinance, including a municipal ordinance, each dealer shall be allowed compensation at the rate of eighty-four hundredths of one percent of the amount of tax due and accounted for and remitted to the collector in the form of a deduction in submitting his report and paying the amount due by him. The amount of any credit claimed for taxes already paid to a

wholesaler, as authorized by Subsection B of this Section, shall not be deducted in computing the compensation allowed the dealer pursuant to this Paragraph. The aggregate local compensation for a dealer who operates one or more business locations within the parish shall not exceed seven hundred fifty dollars per calendar month. This compensation shall be allowed only if the payment of the dealer is timely paid and the return is timely filed."

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 524—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SPELL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2212.1(N)(3) and (P)(3), relative to qualified group purchasing organizations; to provide relative to fire and public safety departments agreements with group purchasing organizations; to expand the definition of "qualified group purchasing organization"; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 567—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:112.2(A), 248(B)(1)(a), 287.732, 287.732.1, 287.732.2(A)(1), and 1675(F)(1) and to repeal R.S. 39:2(15.1)(a) through (c), (k), (v), (x), and (y) and R.S. 47:1675(G), relative to income tax; to provide with respect to corporate taxation; to provide for credits, deductions, exclusions, and exemptions applicable to corporation income tax; to provide for tax treatment of entities taxed as an S corporations for federal income tax purposes; to provide for credits granted or allocated to S corporations; to repeal the S corporation exclusion; to provide for tax treatment of qualified Subchapter S subsidiaries; to provide for the calculation and utilization of certain S corporation carry-forward and carry-back amounts; to provide for the application of certain income tax credits; to provide for filing of composite returns; to provide with respect to the mobile workforce employer exemption; to provide relative to tax credits classified as incentive expenditures; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicability; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Ways and Means.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to Original House Bill No. 567 by Representative Bacala

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, line 25, after "B.(1) S corporation" and before the period "." delete "Requirements" and insert "requirements"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, at the beginning of line 15, after "(2)" and before "S corporation" delete "Characterization."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, line 19, after "Tax" and before the period "." delete "Credits" and insert "credits"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 6, line 6, after "S corporation" and before "and" insert a comma ","

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 6, delete line 7 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"shareholder, shall be determined as of the later of the date the stock is acquired, the"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 6, line 19, after "adjustments to" and before "basis" insert "the"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 578—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

AN ACT

To amend R.S. 47:301(3)(a), (4)(k)(i), (10), (13)(a), (16)(d), (18)(a) and (c)(i), and (27)(x)(ix), 301.1(F), 301.3(7)(a) and (10)(a), 305.2(A)(5), 305.6(1) and (5), 305.7(A)(2), 305.12(D), 305.33, 305.36(A), (B), and (C)(1), 305.75(A), 321(A), 321.1(A), (B), and (C)(2), and 331(A) and (B) and R.S. 51:1286(A), to enact R.S. 47:301.3(11), 305(E)(4) and (L), 305.14, 305.21, 305.22, and 305.64, and to repeal R.S. 47:301.6(B) and (C) and 337.11.4, relative to sales and use tax; to provide with respect to exemptions from sales and use taxes levied by taxing authorities; to exempt certain services from sales and use tax; to provide for the exemption for schools and educational materials; to provide for the exemption for certain intergovernmental transactions; to provide for exemptions for certain nonprofit organizations; to provide for the exemption for software and digital products for certain healthcare facilities; to provide for an exemption for certain sickle cell disease organizations; to provide for the exemption for transactions involving certain motor vehicles; to provide for an exemption for qualifying radiation therapy treatment centers; to provide with respect to the levies of certain taxes; to provide for taxes levied on certain telecommunication and ancillary services; to provide for the amount of sales and use taxes dedicated to tourism; to provide for definitions; to provide for limitations and requirements; to authorize the refund of certain sales and use taxes under certain circumstances; to provide for applicability, to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Ways and Means.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

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AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the beginning of line 3, delete "(27)(x)(xi)," and insert "(27)(x)(ix),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 4, after "305.7(A)(2)," and before "305.33" insert "305.12(D),"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 6, after "305.14," and before "305.21," delete "305.18,"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the beginning of line 7, after "47:301.6(B) and (C)" and before "and 337.11.4," delete the comma "," and delete "305.36(E),"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 10, after "schools and" and before "materials;" delete "education" and insert "educational"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

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

"to provide for the exemption for software and digital products for certain healthcare facilities;"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, at the beginning of line 5, delete "(27)(x)(xi)," and insert "(27)(x)(ix),"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, at the beginning of line 6, insert "305.12(D),"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, at the beginning of line 8, after "305.14," and before "305.21," delete "305.18,"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 9, at the end of line 20, delete "Subparagraph." and insert "Paragraph."

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 11, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

"§305.12. Exemptions; software and digital products; business use; healthcare use

A.

* * *

D. The sales and use tax imposed by taxing authorities shall not apply to computer software or prewritten computer software access services, information services, or digital products that are used by licensed healthcare facilities and providers for storing or transmitting

healthcare information or for the diagnosis or treatment of a medical condition.

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AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 12, delete lines 21 through 29 in their entirety, delete page 13 in its entirety, and on page 14, delete lines 1 through 4 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 14, line 22, after "taxing" and before "when" delete "authorities" and insert "authorize"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 23, line 1, after "R.S. 47:301.6(B) and (C)" and before "and 337.11.4" delete the comma "," and delete "305.36(E),"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 23, at the end of line 12, delete "(27)(x)(xi)," and insert "(27)(x)(ix),"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 23, line 14, after "(18)(a) and (c)(i)," and before "301.1(F)," delete "(27)(x)(xi)," and insert "(27)(x)(ix),"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 23, line 17, after "(18)(a) and (c)(i)," and before "301.1(F)," delete "(27)(x)(xi)," and insert "(27)(x)(ix),"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 620—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:475, relative to traffic congestion in neighborhoods surrounding certain schools in Shreveport, Louisiana; to require the Caddo Parish School Board implement proposed solutions for Caddo Middle Magnet and Eden Gardens Elementary schools; to require the solutions be safe and cost effective; to require the comprehensive solutions align with the goal of promoting public safety; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to Original House Bill No. 620 by Representative Phelps

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, after "implement" and before "proposed" delete "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, after "Elementary" change "Schools" to "schools"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page, 1, line 6, after "safety;" and before "and" insert "to provide an effective date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 6, after "Babylon" and before the period "." change "Street" to "Road"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

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

"(j) Wright Street.

(k) McArthur Drive.

(l) Turner Lane.

(m) Bernard Boulevard.

(n) Cornelious Lane.

(o) Creswell Road.

(p) Eden Boulevard.

(q) Gideon Street.

(r) Grant Berry Place.

(s) Harris Street.

(t) Matthew Place.

(u) Rebecca Street."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, at the end of line 14, change "Schools" to "schools"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, at the end of line 22, change "Schools" to "schools"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, at the beginning of line 23, change "(2)" to "(2)(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, at the beginning of line 26, change "(3)" to "(b)"

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 652 (Substitute for House Bill No. 550 by Representative Kerner)—
BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:5.5.2(B)(2), 5.5.3(A), (B)(introductory paragraph), and (H), 5.10.1(B) and 31.35(C), and to enact Part IV of Chapter 30 of Title 3 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 3:4749 through 4749.3, and R.S. 36:624(C) and 629(L)(5) and R.S. 56:306.5(B)(3), and to repeal

R.S. 36:204(A)(10) and 209(D)(4), R.S.40:31.35.1, and Section 2 of Act No. 667 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to commercial seafood; to transfer authority for imported seafood sampling, testing, and enforcement from the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism to the Department of Agriculture and Forestry; to transfer the Seafood Safety Task Force to the Department of Agriculture and Forestry; to provide for the powers of the commissioner of agriculture and forestry; to provide for penalties; to provide for reporting by processors and distributors to the Department of Agriculture and Forestry; to require dealers to submit a detailed accounting of imported seafood to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; to remove the authority of the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism and the Department of Agriculture and Forestry to promulgate rules; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

Suspension of the Rules

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

**House and House Concurrent Resolutions
Lying Over**

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

Motion

On motion of Rep. Geymann, the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment was discharged from further consideration of House Resolution No. 36.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 36—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN

A RESOLUTION

To approve the annual state integrated coastal protection plan for Fiscal Year 2026, as adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Geymann, the resolution was recommitted to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

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

SIGNED SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

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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. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7

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

SENATE BILLS

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

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

Senate Bill Nos. 4, 10, 11, 17, 20, 26, 50, 73, 104, 137, 145 and 168

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on First Reading

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on first reading were taken up, read, and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

SENATE BILL NO. 4— BY SENATOR LAMBERT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1470, relative to campaign advertising; to prohibit certain kinds of political advertising on public property; to authorize campaign signs on school athletic facilities and gymnasiums if paid for by the political candidate or campaign; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 10— BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1042(D)(2), relative to the Louisiana State Board of Optometry Examiners; to provide for qualifications of board members; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 11— BY SENATOR LUNEAU

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:71(B)(2), relative to the operation of a motor vehicle on the right side of the road; to provide for fines for certain offenses; to include secondary and tertiary level offenses; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 17— BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 40:2018.7(G), relative to the Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Council; to repeal the termination date of the council; to provide for effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 20— BY SENATOR WHEAT

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the legislature; to provide for the consideration of certain legislative instruments during regular sessions convened in odd-numbered years; to provide with respect to legislation regarding taxes or fees; to provide for legislation to dedicate or rededicate funds; to provide for the number of legislative instruments that may be prefiled during regular sessions convened in odd-numbered years; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 26— BY SENATORS BOUDREAUX AND EDMONDS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:436.3.1, relative to diabetes information; to provide for development of certain type 1 diabetes information; to provide for distribution of the information to parents and legal guardians of students; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 50— BY SENATOR LUNEAU

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:335.4(C), relative to the Central Louisiana Regional Port; to provide for requirements relative to the issuance of bonds; to remove certain parameters; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 73— BY SENATOR REESE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 30:1105(D), relative to carbon sequestration; to provide for the jurisdiction, powers, and duties of the commissioner of conservation; to provide for public hearings, and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 104—

BY SENATOR PRICE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:1057(B)(24) and (30), (C)(1), (D)(4), and (H) and to repeal R.S. 51:1057(B)(13), (14), (17), (23), (25), and (29), relative to the Empowering Families to Live Well Louisiana Council; to provide for membership of the council; to provide for meetings of the council; to provide for submission of an implementation plan; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 137—

BY SENATOR TALBOT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(11) and to enact R.S. 22:1276, relative to certain notices provided to the Department of Insurance; to require insurers to notify the Department of Insurance when ceasing, pausing, or resuming the writing of policies in a particular region; to provide for confidentiality; to provide for penalties; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 145—

BY SENATOR MCMATH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 41:1706(C) and R.S. 49:214.30(I), relative to the issuance of permits for construction in certain water bodies in St. Tammany Parish; to prohibit the issuance of Class B Permits and coastal use permits for certain construction; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

SENATE BILL NO. 168—

BY SENATOR WOMACK

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 30:136(A)(1)(d) and Civil Code Art. 3501.2, relative to mineral leases granted by the state as lessor; to provide relative to the right to collect certain sums payable to the state in a mineral lease; to provide relative to bonuses, rentals, royalties, and shut-in payments; to provide relative to liberative prescription; to provide relative to certain terms, conditions, and procedures; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

April 23, 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. 37—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS JOHNSON

A RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, April 22, 2025, as Black Farmers and Growers Day at the state capitol and commends black farmers and growers of Louisiana for their outstanding efforts in fostering a more inclusive and sustainable agricultural sector in the state.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 38—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO

A RESOLUTION

To commend Wake Up Cajun Kountry with TJ and host Tony "TJ" Maggio on being awarded "Best Morning Show, Small Market" by the Louisiana Association of Broadcasters.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 39—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

A RESOLUTION

To commend Volkert, Inc., on the one hundredth anniversary of its charter.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 41—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOMANGUE

A RESOLUTION

To designate March 2025 as National Social Work Month in Louisiana.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 42—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHASSION

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 23, 2025, as Big Brothers Big Sisters Day at the state capitol.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 43—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 23, 2025, as City Year Day at the state capitol.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 44—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Roena Isabelle Wilford.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 45—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 23, 2025, as McNeese State University Day at the state capitol and to commend McNeese State University for its recent successes and contributions to the State of Louisiana.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 46—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO

A RESOLUTION

To designate Thursday, May 8, 2025, as 4-H Day at the state capitol and to commend the state 4-H officers.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 47—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO

A RESOLUTION

To designate Thursday, May 1, 2025, as FFA Day at the state capitol and to commend the state officers of the Louisiana FFA Association.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 48—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Louisiana State University at Eunice Assistant Professor of General Business and Department Chair of Business and Technology Nikki May on receiving the 2025 Louisiana State University Innovative Contributions to Online Learning Award.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 49—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Louisiana State University at Eunice Assistant Professor of Nursing Braneshia Moore on being named the recipient of the 2024 Elsevier Educator of the Year Award by the Organization for Associate Degree Nursing Foundation.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 50—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Louisiana State University at Eunice Athletic Director and Head Baseball Coach Jeff Willis on receiving the inaugural 2025 Walter Hauck NJCAA Coaches Association President of the Year Award.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 51—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

A RESOLUTION

To commend John A. "Yank" Reis on the occasion of his one hundredth birthday.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 52—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

A RESOLUTION

To commend Louisiana State University at Alexandria on its contributions to central Louisiana and the state.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 53—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE

A RESOLUTION

To commend Louisiana State University in Shreveport on its contributions to northwestern Louisiana and the entire state.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 54—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana State University in Shreveport baseball team on its record start to the 2025 season.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 55—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO

A RESOLUTION

To commend Dr. Steve Harrison upon his induction into the 2025 Louisiana Agriculture Hall of Distinction.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 56—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

A RESOLUTION

To recognize and commend Coca-Cola UNITED for its legacy, economic impact, and commitment to the people and communities of Louisiana.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 57—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

A RESOLUTION

To commend Mark Shirley on the occasion of his retirement from Louisiana Sea Grant and the LSU AgCenter.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 58—

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

A RESOLUTION

To commend Luther A. Burney on the occasion of his retirement.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 60—

BY REPRESENTATIVE NEWELL

A RESOLUTION

To commend Pleasant Valley Missionary Baptist Church on the occasion of its seventy-fifth anniversary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 61—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 23, 2025, as LSU Day at the legislature and to commend Louisiana State University for its enduring contributions to the state of Louisiana.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 62—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

A RESOLUTION

To commend John Kay for his sack race victory over Representative Dixon McMakin at the March 25, 2025, Louisiana State University (LSU) vs. University of Louisiana at Lafayette (ULL) baseball game at Alex Box Stadium.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 63—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER

A RESOLUTION

To commend St. Edmund High School basketball coach Erica Zaunbrecher on being named 2025 District 5-1A Coach of the Year.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 64—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Sean Thomas Landry.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 65—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SPELL

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana Counseling Association and to recognize Wednesday, April 23, 2025, as Louisiana Counseling Association Day at the state capitol.

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.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Bacala, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Retirement to meet on Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 8:30 a.m., and consider the following legislative instruments that were not listed on the weekly committee schedule as required by House Rule 14.23: and to add the adoption of the report to House Study Resolution No. 4 of the 2025 Regular Session to their agenda.

House Bill No. 8

Leave of Absence

Rep. Carpenter - 1 day

Rep. Tarver - 2 days

Rep. Walters - 2 days

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 6:04 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Thursday, April 24, 2025, at 1:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 1:00 P.M., Thursday, April 24, 2025.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House

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

Committee Meeting Notices

The following committees posted notices as follows:

Committee on Judiciary

Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.

Date: Thursday, April 24, 2025

Location: Committee Room 1

Remarks:

- HR 30 BUTLER HONORARY DESIGNATIONS** Designates the city of Opelousas as the Horse Capital of Louisiana
- HB 60 GALLE VETERANS** Provides relative to healthcare facilities operated by the Department of Veterans Affairs for war veterans
- HB 66 ROMERO INSURANCE/GROUP-SHERIFFS** Provides relative to qualifications for participation in the Employee Insurance Fund for the Jefferson Davis Parish Sheriff's Office
- HB 123 CARLSON COURTS/COURT COSTS** Provides relative to deferral of costs and fees associated with electronic filing requirements
- HB 155 MUSCARELLO COURTS/COURT REPORTERS** Provides for a statewide revision of court reporter fees
- HB 189 JOHNSON, TRAVIS INSURANCE/GROUP-SHERIFFS** Provides relative to certain retirees of the East Carroll Parish Sheriff's Dept.
- HB 249 DEWITT COURTS/COURT COSTS** Provides relative to the use of court costs and civil filing fees in the City Court of Alexandria
- HB 361 RISER INSURANCE/GROUP-SHERIFFS** Provides relative to the payment of insurance premium costs by the Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office
- HB 387 DICKERSON VETERANS** Provides relative to care for nonveterans
- HB 468 ADAMS VETERANS** Provides relative to the Civilian Honor Medal Program
- HB 545 FISHER DISTRICT ATTORNEYS** Provides relative to certain pretrial intervention or diversion programs

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ROBBY CARTER
Chair

Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.

Date: Thursday, April 24, 2025

Location: Committee Room 5

Remarks:

- HB 117 ECHOLS WORKERS COMPENSATION** Provides for adoption of a medical fee reimbursement schedule for workers' compensation
- HB 153 HEBERT UNEMPLOYMENT COMP** Provides relative to work search requirements for unemployment benefits
- HB 280 MELERINE WORKERS COMPENSATION** Provides relative to the collection of workers' compensation premiums
- HB 293 MELERINE LABOR** Provides relative to the resignation from labor organization dues or fees for teachers and other school employees and public employees

Adopt the committee meeting minutes from the 2024 Regular Session dated March 28, April 11, April 18, April 25, May 1, and May 9.

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RAYMOND J. CREWS
Chair

Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs

Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.

Date: Thursday, April 24, 2025

Location: Committee Room 6

Remarks:

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HB 32	BAYHAM MUNICIPAL/ORDINANCES Provides relative to maximum penalties for violations of ordinances in St. Bernard Parish
HB 33	JOHNSON, MIKE CIVIL SERVICE/MUNICIPAL Provides relative to the municipal civil service system for the city of Alexandria
HB 39	AMEDEE HOUSING/AUTHORITIES Provides relative to the Houma-Terrebonne Housing Authority
HB 40	HENRY, CHANCE PARISHES Provides relative to the office of parish secretary-treasurer in Acadia Parish
HB 48	GLORIOSO TAX/HOTEL OCCUPANCY Authorizes the city of Slidell to levy a hotel occupancy tax
HB 50	HILFERTY DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT Provides relative to the Lake Vista Crime Prevention District in Orleans Parish
HB 53	FREEMAN DISTRICTS/NEIGHBORHOOD Provides relative to the Upper Audubon Security District in Orleans Parish
HB 55	DAVIS DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT Creates the Cross Gates Subdivision Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Improvement District in East Baton Rouge Parish
HB 57	ROMERO TAX/SALES-USE, LOCAL Authorizes the Jefferson Davis Parish School Board to levy an additional sales and use tax
HB 191	HILFERTY DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT Provides relative to the Lakewood Crime Prevention and Improvement District in Orleans Parish
HB 241	ILLG LOCAL GOVERNMENT Provides relative to regulation by local governing authorities of ambulance services

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FOY BRYAN GADBERRY
Chair

Committee on Retirement

Will meet at: 8:30 a.m.

Date: Thursday, April 24, 2025

Location: Committee Room 4

Remarks:

HB 8	GLORIOSO (TBA) RETIREMENT SYSTEMS Provides relative to membership in the Municipal Employees' Retirement System (Subject to Rule Suspension)
HB 9	BAGLEY RETIREMENT/STATE EMPS Provides relative to retirement eligibility in the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System
HB 10	BOYER RETIREMENT/STATE EMPS Provides for the reemployment of retirees under certain circumstances in the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System
HB 17	TARVER, PHILLIP RETIREMENT/MUNICIPAL POL Provides relative to the deferred retirement option plan of the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System
HB 18	KERNER RETIREMENT/FIREFIGHTERS Provides relative to the funding of supplemental benefits for members of the Firefighters' Retirement System
HB 19	KERNER RETIREMENT/FIREFIGHTERS Provides relative to the administration and participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan for the Firefighters' Retirement System
HB 20	MOORE RETIREMENT/TEACHERS Provides relative to the reemployment of retired teachers in the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana
HB 24	BACALA RETIREMENT/TEACHERS Provides relative to the optional retirement plan in the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana
HB 28	KERNER RETIREMENT/FIREFIGHTERS Provides relative to the Firefighters' Retirement System

Adoption of report on House Study Resolution No. 4 of the 2024 Regular Session (**TBA - Subject to Rule Suspension**)

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TONY BACALA
Chair

Weekly Committee Schedules

The following committees posted weekly committee schedules as follows:

Committee on Appropriations
Monday, April 28, 2025

Committee Room 5
10:00 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

- HB 245 ZERINGUE SUPPLEMENTAL PAY** Provides relative to qualifications for state supplemental pay for firemen
- HB 528 BOURRIAQUE TRANSPORTATION DEPT** Reforms the organizational structure for the Department of Transportation and Development including its duties, powers, and responsibilities of officers and employees
- HB 639 RISER GAMING/REVENUE** Provides relative to taxation of online sports wagering and video poker and dedicates certain gaming revenues

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JACK G. MCFARLAND
Chair

Committee on Civil Law and Procedure
Monday, April 28, 2025
Committee Room 4
9:30 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

- HB 16 SCHLEGEL LIABILITY/CIVIL** Provides relative to the limitation of civil liability for nonprofits that donate medical supplies
- HB 36 SCHLEGEL LIABILITY/CIVIL** Provides relative to consumable hemp
- HB 37 SCHLEGEL CONTRACTS** Establishes a duty of care for online platforms who contract with minors
- HB 102 SCHLEGEL LIABILITY/TORTS** Expands La. Products Liability Act to include digital products
- HB 178 JOHNSON, MIKE CIVIL/PROCEDURE** Provides for the continuous revision of the Code of Civil Procedure
- HB 181 WILEY CIVIL/PROCEDURE** Provides relative to definition of terms in the Civil Code

- HB 302 WRIGHT CIVIL/LAW** Provides relative to transparency in asbestos actions

- HB 366 DESHOTEL TAX/AD VALOREM TAX** (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes parishes to exempt business inventory from ad valorem taxes and authorizes parishes to reduce the percentage of fair market value applicable to business inventory

- HB 575 VENTRELLA ABORTION** Provides relative to liability for the unlawful termination of a pregnancy

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NICHOLAS MUSCARELLO, JR.
Chair

Committee on Commerce
Monday, April 28, 2025
Committee Room 1
9:30 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

- HB 125 HORTON TECHNOLOGY** Provides for the protection, storage, and access of genomic information
- HB 152 MARCELLE PRIVATE SECURITY** Provides relative to private security examiners
- HB 157 MUSCARELLO PRIVATE SECURITY** Provides relative to fees for private contract security companies
- HB 263 DAVIS ELDERLY** Provides relative to disclosure of financial records available to the governor's office of elderly affairs
- HB 290 FREEMAN COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS** Establishes requirements for notifications on social media
- HB 430 CARVER ATTORNEYS** Creates the Louisiana Lawyer Advertising and Unfair Trade Practices Act
- HB 453 FREEMAN BUILDING CODES** Provides relative to standards when constructing a residential roof
- HB 494 DOMANGUE PETROLEUM/OIL-GAS** Provides for common carriers of petroleum pipelines
- HB 507 EMERSON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** Establishes the High Impact Job Program within

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Louisiana Economic Development and provides for administration of the program

HB 570 CARVER COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS
Provides relative to minors use of applications

HB 618 FONTENOT FIRE PROTECT/FIRE MARSHAL
Provides relative to regulation of conveyance devices

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DARYL ANDREW DESHOTEL
Chair

Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works
Monday, April 28, 2025
Committee Room 3
9:30 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

HB 119 DESHOTEL MOTOR VEHICLES Decreases the minimum light transmission percentage allowable for the front side window tint of motor vehicles

HB 170 COX MTR VEHICLE/COMMERCIAL Removes the requirement that taxi cab drivers obtain a chauffeur's license

HB 221 BAGLEY MTR VEHICLE/INSPECTION Provides relative to a motor vehicle inspection tax

HB 232 BAGLEY MTR VEHICLE/INSPECTION
Eliminates the state inspection sticker requirement for certain vehicles

HB 301 DOMANGUE WATERWAYS/OBSTRUCTIONS
Provides for the removal and salvage of abandoned vessels in waterways

HB 474 BRAUD MTR VEHICLE/EMERGENCY Provides relative to emergency vehicles for coroners

HB 476 FONTENOT MTR VEHICLE/DEALERS Provides relative to an annual automatic adjustment to a fee for motor vehicle dealers based on the Consumer Price Index

HB 499 BAMBURG TRAFFIC/VIOLATIONS Establishes penalties for persons exceeding the speed limit or breaching construction zones and utility work safety zones under active construction with workers on site

HB 519 GLORIOSO MTR VEHICLE/VIOLATIONS
Provides relative to the operation of a motor vehicle while using a wireless telecommunication device

HB 554 MCMAKIN MTR VEHICLE/DRIVER LIC
Establishes a notice of voting restriction and a restriction code applicable to persons who are not United States citizens and aliens lawfully present in the United States but have not attained United States citizenship

HB 580 ILLG PUBLIC SFTY/CORRECTIONS Increase the penalties for operating a vehicle with fictitious plates and provides for specifications for temporary registration plates issued by dealers and the display of temporary registrations plates issued by dealers

HB 630 BAYHAM MTR VEHICLE/DRIVERLIC Reduces the fee applicable to updating a driver's license to comply with REAL ID standards

HB 631 BAYHAM MTR VEHICLE/DRIVERLIC Reduces the fee applicable to updating a name on a driver's license

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RYAN BOURRIQUE
Chair

Committee on Ways and Means
Monday, April 28, 2025
Committee Room 6
9:00 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

HB 129 ECHOLS TAX CREDITS Establishes a corporate income tax credit for certain broker-dealer financial businesses

HB 133 WILLARD TAX CREDITS Increases the amount of the earned income tax credit

HB 186 DEWITT TAX CREDITS Authorizes a tax credit for certain employers of La. National Guard members and military reservists

HB 211 LANDRY, MANDIE TAX CREDITS Modifies the definition of "eligible transaction" for purposes of the firearm safety device purchase tax credit

HB 230 WALTERS TAX CREDITS Establishes an income tax credit for motor vehicle manufacturers and motor vehicle manufacturing suppliers

HB 233 ECHOLS TAX CREDITS Establishes an income tax credit for certain pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturers

HB 328 FIRMENT TAX CREDITS Establishes a tax credit for the installation of dashboard cameras and telematics systems in certain commercial vehicles

HB 330 JORDAN TAX CREDITS Establishes an income tax credit for annual homeowners' insurance premiums paid in excess of a certain amount

HB 331 JORDAN TAX CREDITS Establishes an income tax credit for certain amount of annual auto insurance premiums paid by a taxpayer

HB 337 WILLARD TAX CREDITS Establishes an income tax credit for taxpayers who claim a dependent under the age of six

HB 383 BRASS TAX CREDITS Postpones the termination of a tax credit for C-corporations for local inventory taxes paid but reduces the amount of the credit for those taxpayers

HB 389 JACKSON TAX CREDITS Extends the duration of the La. Youth Jobs Tax Credit program and provides relative to eligibility factors associated with the program

HB 472 EMERSON FUNDS/FUNDING (Constitutional Amendment) Revises Article VII of the Constitution of La.

HB 473 EMERSON FUNDS/FUNDING (Constitutional Amendment) Provides relative to the application of state monies to the unfunded accrued liability of the Teachers' Retirement System of La.

HB 475 FIRMENT TAX CREDITS Increases the maximum amount of insurance premium tax credits for retaliatory taxes paid by certain domestic insurers that may be claimed in a fiscal year and extends the sunset date of the credit

HB 477 FREIBERG TAX CREDITS Authorizes university laboratory schools to participate in the student tuition organization tax credit program

HB 484 ZERINGUE TAX CREDITS Provides for eligibility requirements for students participating in the student tuition organization tax credit program

HB 491 OWEN, CHARLES TAX CREDITS Establishes a tax credit for costs of developing carbon sequestration wells where carbon sequestration is subsequently prohibited by local ordinance

HB 533 CARVER TAX CREDITS Establishes the Work-Based Learning Tax Credit for employment of apprentices, interns, and youth workers

HB 598 ECHOLS TAX CREDITS Authorizes income tax credits for businesses within certain manufacturing industries

HB 626 WRIGHT TAX/SALES & USE Extends the state and local sales and use tax exemption for ships and ships' supplies to certain digital products

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JULIE EMERSON
Chair