

**OFFICIAL JOURNAL**  
**OF THE**  
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**REPRESENTATIVES**  
**OF THE**  
**STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**Fifty-first Regular Session of the Legislature  
Under the Adoption of the  
Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

The House of Representatives was called to order at 3:02 P.M., by the Honorable Phillip DeVillier, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**Morning Hour**

**ROLL CALL**

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

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker	Echols	McFarland
Adams	Edmonston	McMahen
Amedee	Egan	McMakin
Bacala	Emerson	Melerine
Bagley	Farnum	Mena
Bamburg	Firment	Miller
Bayham	Fisher	Moore
Beaullieu	Fontenot	Muscarello
Berault	Freiberg	Newell
Billings	Gadberry	Orgeron
Bourriague	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
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Tarver
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Taylor
Carter, R.	Jordan	Thomas
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thompson
Carver	Knox	Turner
Chassion	LaCombe	Ventrella
Chenevert	LaFleur	Villio
Coates	Landry, J.	Walters
Cox	Landry, M.	Wilder
Crews	Larvadain	Wiley
Davis	Lyons	Willard
Dewitt	Mack	Wright

Dickerson  
Domangue  
Total - 99

Marcelle  
McCormick

Wyble  
Zeringue

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

**Prayer**

Prayer was offered by Rev. Bill Nash of Glad Tidings Pentecostal Church in Mangham.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Rep. Owen 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 14, 2025, was adopted.

**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. 23—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Geaux Far Louisiana Coalition and designate Tuesday, April 15, 2025, as Geaux Far Day at the state capitol.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 24—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana Nursery and Landscape Association for its "Plants Make a Difference" campaign.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 25—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE NEWELL

A RESOLUTION

To commend Bishop Tyrone G. Jefferson, Jr., on the occasion of his thirtieth pastoral anniversary.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 26—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 16, 2025, as Zeta Phi Beta Day at the state capitol.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 27—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO  
A RESOLUTION

To commend the 2025 Sicilian Heritage Festival in Independence, Louisiana, and its royal court on the occasion of the festival's seventeenth anniversary.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 28—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS  
A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 16, 2025, as AARP Louisiana Caregiver Day at the state capitol.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 29—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE LYONS  
A RESOLUTION

To commend Pastor Damian J. Brown.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 14—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate April 11-17, 2025, as Black Maternal Health Week in Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TARVER  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To amend and readopt Joint Rule No. 17(A)(1)(a), (C), (E), and (G) of the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives to provide procedures relative to a nongovernmental entity funding request and to provide limitations on funding for nongovernmental entities in an appropriation bill.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**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. 613—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU  
AN ACT

To enact Subpart D of Part IV of Chapter 2 of Title 2 of the Louisiana Revised Statute of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 2:350.1 through 350.6, relative to the creation of the Acadiana Regional Airport and the Lemaire Memorial Airport District; to provide for powers, duties, functions and governance of the district; to provide for the composition and tenure of the board of commissioners, officers, domicile, and authority; 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.

Lies over under the rules.

**Reports of Committees**

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on  
Civil Law and Procedure

April 15, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 34, by Glorioso  
Reported with amendments. (11-3-1)

House Bill No. 291, by Galle  
Reported favorably. (12-0-1)

House Bill No. 431, by Chenevert  
Reported with amendments. (11-4-1)

House Bill No. 434, by Dewitt  
Reported with amendments. (11-2-1)

House Bill No. 443, by Henry, Chance  
Reported with amendments. (11-4-1)

House Bill No. 450, by Melerine  
Reported favorably. (13-0-1)

NICHOLAS MUSCARELLO, JR.  
Chair

Report of the Committee on  
Commerce

April 15, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 90, by Hebert  
Reported favorably. (17-0)

House Bill No. 91, by Thomas, Polly  
Reported favorably. (16-0)

DARYL ANDREW DESHOTEL  
Chair

Report of the Committee on  
Transportation, Highways and Public Works

April 15, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 82, by Bayham  
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 83, by Cox  
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 174, by McFarland  
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 180, by Thompson  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 428, by Bourriaque  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 528, by Bourriaque  
Reported with amendments. (13-1)

House Bill No. 556, by Bourriaque  
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 621, by Bourriaque  
Reported by substitute. (12-1)

RYAN BOURRIAQUE  
Chair

Report of the Committee on  
Ways and Means

April 15, 2025

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 131, by Farnum  
Reported favorably. (12-0)

House Bill No. 183, by Bourriaque  
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 365, by Deshotel  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 366, by Deshotel (Joint Resolution)  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 404, by Willard  
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 416, by Farnum  
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 557, by Braud  
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 591, by Wilder  
Reported favorably. (14-0)

JULIE EMERSON  
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. 2—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CHASSION  
A RESOLUTION

To recognize the distinct group of freshman members of the Louisiana House of Representatives as the Freshmen Caucus of the Louisiana House of Representatives.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS  
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the state Department of Education to study the feasibility of and potential costs associated with prohibiting certain foods and beverages in public schools.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS  
A RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to support funding for the ability to focus on purchasing American agricultural products and the removal of ultra-processed food and beverages from K-12 public schools.

Read by title.

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

**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.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 7—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG  
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the legislative fiscal office to update the report issued in February 2013 pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 137 of the 2012 Regular Session regarding the means and methods used to provide funding for the operation of laboratory schools.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE  
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the state Department of Education to submit written reports to the House Committee on Education relative to the administration of the ACT, the WorkKeys test, and the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery to high school students.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 15—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG  
A RESOLUTION

To create a task force to study issues relative to the name, image, and likeness of student athletes in Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate the town of Ball, Louisiana, as the Moon Pie Capital of Louisiana.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT AND SENATOR MORRIS  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Casey Durand of Central Timber Services on being named the 2024 Outstanding Louisiana Logger by the Louisiana Forestry Association.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the state's Office of Group Benefits to study and report to the House Committees on Retirement and Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Retirement and Finance the total amount of savings the state could realize if eligible plan participants were required to enroll in Medicare and include in the report options for plan provisions and rate reductions that could pass some of those savings back to such participants.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to compel the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to fulfill its duties regarding inspection and testing of imported seafood.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to study and recommend legislation for implementation of procedures for recusal of judges in criminal proceedings and to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the legislature no later than February 1, 2026.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and honor the victims of Hurricane Katrina on the twentieth anniversary of its landfall and to designate August 29<sup>th</sup> as "Katrina Day" in remembrance of those affected by the storm.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Public Service Commission and Cleco Power to approve the sale of a regulated utility only in certain circumstances.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Bryan Beam on the occasion of his retirement from service on the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury.

Read by title.

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

Ordered to the Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge and request the Southeastern Conference to schedule football games at Louisiana State University after six o'clock in the evening during the month of September for health and safety reasons related to the heat during day games.

Read by title.

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

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Butler, 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. 30—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BUTLER**A RESOLUTION**

To designate the city of Opelousas as the Horse Capital of Louisiana.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment**

April 15, 2025

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

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

The following House Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1—**BY REPRESENTATIVES BEAULLIEU AND DEVILLIER  
**A RESOLUTION**

To commend Patricia Lowrey-Dufour upon her retirement as the senior legislative analyst for the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs with House Legislative Services.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 6—**BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHLEGEL  
**A RESOLUTION**

To recognize Wednesday, April 16, 2025, as Louisiana Association of Public Charter Schools, Charter Schools Day at the state capitol.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 9—**BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY  
**A RESOLUTION**

To designate Friday, April 18, 2025, as Two Lights For Tomorrow Day at the state capitol and to commemorate the historic alert by Paul Revere in 1775.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 10—**BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER  
**A RESOLUTION**

To commend Emma Gardiner on being named Queen of the 2025 St. John Francis Catholic Church's Étouffée Festival.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11—**BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER  
**A RESOLUTION**

To commend The Energy Council on the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 12—**BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER  
**A RESOLUTION**

To commend First Baptist Church Bernice on the occasion of its one hundred twenty-fifth anniversary.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 13—**BY REPRESENTATIVE MENA  
**A RESOLUTION**

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Aurelio Martinez.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 14—**BY REPRESENTATIVE BAMBURG  
**A RESOLUTION**

To commend Parkway High School girls' basketball coach Gloria Williams on her successful career.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 16—**BY REPRESENTATIVES STAGNI AND HUGHES  
**A RESOLUTION**

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Caleb Jayden Wilson.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 17—**BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO  
**A RESOLUTION**

To commend the organizers, volunteers, and royal court of the 2025 Italian Festival in Tickfaw, Louisiana.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 18—**BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHLEGEL  
**A RESOLUTION**

To commend the St. Mary's Dominican High School swim team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association (LHSAA) 2024 Division I state championship.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 19—**BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN  
**A RESOLUTION**

To commend Tulane University for its vital research and educational contributions to the state of Louisiana.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 20—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES BEAULLIEU, DEVILLIER, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAGLEY, BAMBURG, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BRAUD, BROWN, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARPENTER, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, WILFORD CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, CREWS, DAVIS, DESHOTEL, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, ECHOLS, EDMONSTON, EGAN, EMERSON, FARNUM, FIRMENT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GADBERRY, GALLE, GEYMANN, GLORIOSO, GREEN, HEBERT, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, HUGHES, ILLG, JACKSON, MIKE JOHNSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LACOMBE, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCCORMICK, MCFARLAND, MCMAHON, MCMAKIN, MELERINE, MENA, MILLER, MOORE, MUSCARELLO, NEWELL, ORGERON, OWEN, PHELPS, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, STAGNI, TARVER, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, VENTRELLA, VILLIO, WALTERS, WILDER, WILEY, WILLARD, WRIGHT, WYBLE, YOUNG, AND ZERINGUE

**A RESOLUTION**

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To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Steven "Steve" Joseph Miguez.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 21— BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMERO

### A RESOLUTION

To commend the Lacassine High School boys' basketball team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association 2025 Class B state championship.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 22— BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER

### A RESOLUTION

To designate April 11-17, 2025, as Black Maternal Health Week in Louisiana.

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.

## Leave of Absence

Rep. Freeman - 2 days

## Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 3:25 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Wednesday, April 16, 2025, at 3:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 3:00 P.M., Wednesday, April 16, 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 Administration of Criminal Justice

Will meet at: 10:00 a.m.

Date: Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Location: Committee Room 6

Remarks:

**HB 23 MUSCARELLO CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE** Provides relative to post-sentence statements and documents

**HB 79 BACALA CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE** Provides relative to the applicability of firearm enhancement provisions and penalties to plea agreements

**HB 208 VILLIO CRIMINAL/SENTENCING** Provides relative to eligibility for parole or diminution of sentence

**HB 214 VILLIO PROBATION** Provides relative to revocation of probation

**HB 394 MUSCARELLO CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE** Provides relative to procedures in capital cases

**HB 445 VILLIO CRIMINAL/RECORDS** Provides relative to juvenile records

**HB 479 LANDRY, MANDIE CRIMINAL/VICTIMS** Provides relative to witness or victim notification

Any interested person or any committee member may file with the committee a prepared statement concerning a specific instrument or matter under consideration by the committee or concerning any matter within the committee's scope of authority, and the committee records shall reflect receipt of such statement and the date and time thereof.

NOTE: Statements may be filed with the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice via email at h-acrj@legis.la.gov. Statements submitted, and the information contained therein, are public records and subject to disclosure pursuant to public records laws.

Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice via email at h-acrj@legis.la.gov at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.

DEBBIE VILLIO  
Chair

Committee on Education

Will meet at: 9:30 a.m.

Date: Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Location: Committee Room 1

Remarks:

**HB 70 BRASS TOPS** Revises initial academic eligibility requirements for a TOPS-Tech award

**HB 71 BRASS BOARDS/COMMISSIONS** Revises the membership of the Dual Enrollment Task Force

**HB 77 TURNER TOPS** Revises Taylor Opportunity Program for Students award amounts and adds an award category for students with an ACT score of 31 or above

**HB 161 HUGHES COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES** Aligns programs to which TOPS Tech and TOPS Tech Early Start awards may apply with the M.J. Foster Promise Program qualified programs

**HB 275 BERAULT TOPS** Authorizes students who qualify for a TOPS award but graduate from an out-of-state college to apply unused award amounts to medical or dental school in Louisiana and requires repayment unless certain conditions are met

**HB 327 CHASSION TOPS** Requires schools to use a 10-point grading scale to assign grades used in the calculation of the minimum grade point average required for initial award eligibility

- HB 372 HUGHES CURRICULA** Provides relative to computer science as a high school graduation requirement
- HB 373 HUGHES SCHOOLS/HIGH SCHOOL** Requires the Workforce Investment Council to perform an annual return on investment analysis relative to industry-based credentials earned in high school and provides for student data collection and sharing for this purpose
- HB 566 TURNER PUBLIC CONTRACTS** Establishes job order contracting as an alternative project delivery method applicable to deferred maintenance of public facilities by post-secondary educational institutions for certain work types

OTHER BUSINESS:

Update on the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) from Dr. Sujuan Boutté, executive director of the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance

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NOTE: Statements may be filed with the House Committee on Education via email at h-educ@legis.la.gov. Statements submitted, and the information contained therein, are public records and subject to disclosure pursuant to public records laws.

Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the House Committee on Education via email at h-educ@legis.la.gov at least twenty-four hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.

LAURIE SCHLEGEL  
Chair

Committee on Health and Welfare

Will meet at: 9:30 a.m.

Date: Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Location: Committee Room 5

Remarks:

- HB 89 ORGERON VITAL RECORDS/BIRTH CERT** Provides relative to the issuance of a death certificate in certain circumstances
- HB 159 STAGNI PHYSICAL THERAPISTS** Provides relative to the supervision of physical therapist assistants
- HB 210 CHASSION PHARMACIES** Provides relative to retention and archiving of records in the state prescription monitoring program
- HB 253 BOYER DRUGS** Provides relative to kratom
- HB 316 BUTLER BOARDS/COMMISSIONS** Provides for the Drug Policy Board

- HB 340 NEWELL DENTISTRY** Changes the domicile of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry

- HB 543 MCMAHEN DENTISTRY/HYGIENISTS** Provides relative to the Interstate Dental and Dental Hygiene Licensure Compact

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DUSTIN MILLER  
Chair

Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

Will meet at: 9:30 a.m.

Date: Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Location: Committee Room 2

Remarks:

- HB 223 DOMANGUE ELECTIONS/COMMISSIONERS** Provides relative to compensation for parish board commissioners, election commissioners, and commissioners-in-charge
- HB 281 WYBLE ELECTION OFFENSES** Provides relative to acts prohibited during early voting or on election day
- HB 323 BEAULLIEU ELECTIONS/DATES** Provides for election dates for municipal officers and school board members
- HB 351 JOHNSON, MIKE ELECTIONS/CANDIDATES** Provides for penalties for attesting to false information in a notice of candidacy
- HB 397 BEAULLIEU ETHICS/CODE** Provides for revisions to the Code of Governmental Ethics
- HB 420 BILLINGS POLITICAL PARTIES** Provides for the qualifications, maintenance, and recognition of political parties
- HB 526 LANDRY, JACOB PUBLIC PRINTING** Provides that a website established and maintained by the commissioner of administration shall be the official journal of the state and requires him to post certain information about boards and commissions on it
- HB 532 MILLER, D. ELECTIONS/BOND & TAX** Provides relative to sales and use tax elections in certain municipalities

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**HB 592 BEAULLIEU ELECTION CODE** Makes revisions to the Louisiana Election Code

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GERALD "BEAU" BEAULLIEU, IV  
Chair

Committee on Insurance

Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.

Date: Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Location: Committee Room 3

Remarks:

**HB 248 WILDER INSURANCE COMMISSIONER** Provides for confidential information relative to public inspection

**HB 379 WRIGHT INSURANCE/PROPERTY** Provides relative to mandatory binding arbitration with respect to property insurance policies

**HB 437 FIRMENT INSURANCE CLAIMS** Provides settlement practices for claims relative to property and rentals of motor vehicles

**HB 438 FIRMENT INSURANCE/RATES** Provides relative to advertising expenses and prohibits use of certain expenses in setting insurance rates

**HB 440 HENRY, CHANCE INSURANCE CLAIMS** Provides relative to automobile liability policies and related medical claims

**HB 496 HEBERT INSURANCE/AUTOMOBILE** Provides relative to lapses in required insurance coverage

**HB 549 SCHAMERHORN INSURANCE/AUTOMOBILE** Provides a premium discount for commercial motor vehicles with dashboard cameras and telematics systems

**HB 561 FIRMENT INSURANCE/SURPLUS LINE** Provides policy provisions and exceptions relative to surplus lines insurance

**HB 576 CARTER, ROBBY INSURANCE/RATES** Provides relative to rates in competitive and noncompetitive markets

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MICHAEL "GABE" FIRMENT  
Chair

Committee on Natural Resources and Environment

Will meet at: 9:30 a.m.

Date: Wednesday, April 16, 2025

Location: Committee Room 4

Remarks:

**HB 173 ILLG ENVIRONMENT/LITTERING** Provides relative to expanding the jurisdiction of state park wardens to enforce litter laws statewide

**HB 204 HENRY, CHANCE WILDLIFE/FEES** Provides relative to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries' annual duck stamps

**HB 205 MCCORMICK ENERGY/OIL & GAS** Provides for the operation of saltwater disposal wells in the parishes of Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, DeSoto, Red River, and Webster

**HB 219 CARRIER WILDLIFE & FISHERIES** Provides for deer sex identification requirements

**HB 497 LACOMBE FISHING** Provides for the Louisiana Catch and Cook Program

**HB 550 KERNER SEAFOOD** Provides for reporting, data collection, and information sharing related to domestic and imported seafood

**HB 564 LANDRY, JACOB WILDLIFE & FISHERIES** Establishes the Conservation Incentive Program

**HB 581 ILLG ENVIRONMENT** Prohibits releasing inflated balloons outdoors

**HB 604 ORGERON WILDLIFE & FISHERIES** Establishes a red drum tag program

**HB 605 RISER NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT** Authorizes a fee for expedited processing performed by the Department of Energy and Natural Resources

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BRETT F. GEYMANN  
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