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## **KAREN CARTER TO HEAD HOUSE INSURANCE COMMITTEE**

State Rep. Karen Carter, D, New Orleans, has been named chairman of the House Insurance Committee. The appointment was made today by House Speaker Joe Salter.

Carter thanked Salter for the opportunity to lead the committee.

"I am very pleased to have the opportunity to lead this committee. Affordable insurance coverage, especially health insurance coverage, is a major concern for most Louisiana citizens. One of my goals will be to find solutions to this escalating problem. I want to thank the Speaker for his vote of confidence and look forward to working with him and this administration as we explore ways to improve the living and working conditions for all of our citizens."

On making the appointment, Salter said, "I know you will be an asset to the House and to the entire state as the chairman of this committee. I look forward to working with you in a joint effort to best serve the citizens of this great state."

The first female House chairman from Orleans Parish was Bland Cox Bruns. She served on the Registration and Election Laws Committee from 1952 to 1953. Dorothy Mae Taylor, also from Orleans Parish, chaired the Health and Welfare Committee beginning in 1973; and Diana Bajoie was chairman of the Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs Committee during the 1984-1988 term.

Carter was first elected to the House in 2000. She represents House District 93 which encompasses part of Orleans Parish.

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