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NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

**Twenty-Seventh Extraordinary Session of the Legislature
Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974**

Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Friday, March 31, 2000

The Senate was called to order at 10:00 o'clock A.M., by Hon. John Hainkel, President of the Senate.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Bajoie	Fontenot	Malone
Barham	Gautreaux	Marionneau
Bean	Heitmeier	McPherson
Boissiere	Hines	Michot
Campbell	Hollis	Mount
Chaisson	Hoyt	Romero
Cravins	Irons	Schedler
Dardenne	Johnson	Smith
Dean	Jones, B	Tarver
Ellington	Jones, C	Theunissen
Fields, C	Lambert	Thomas
Fields, W	Lentini	Ullio

Total—36

ABSENT

Mr. President	Cain	Robichaux
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Total—3

The President of the Senate announced there were 36 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Senator Theunissen, following which the Senate joined in pledging allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Senator Theunissen, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of yesterday was adopted.

Morning Hour

Introduction of Senate Resolutions

Senator Schedler asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of introducing and reading the following Senate Resolutions a first and second time and acting upon them as follows:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 18—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Kathryn Sunstrom and to record for posterity the enduring appreciation of the members for her lifetime of contributions to her family and community.

On motion of Senator Schedler, the resolution was read by title and adopted.

Messages from the House

The following Messages from the House were received and read as follows:

Message from the House

**CONCURRING IN
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

March 31, 2000

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—

BY SENATOR MARIONNEAUX

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the 1999-2000 LSU Men's Basketball Team and Coach John Brady and his staff on an outstanding season and on providing unforgettable memories.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20—

BY SENATOR MARIONNEAUX

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the 1999-2000 LSU Women's Basketball Team and Coach Sue Gunter and her staff.

Reported without amendments.

Message from the House

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN
HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS**

March 31, 2000

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House of Representatives has finally passed and asks your concurrence in the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions:

HOUSE BILL NO. 9—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 14(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to authorize a local government to loan, pledge, or donate certain revenues for industrial development purposes; to provide prerequisites for such a loan, pledge, or donation; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 41—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FUTRELL, MCMAINS, KENNARD, BRUCE,
CAZAYOUX, DEVILLIER, DUPRE, FARRAR, ROMERO, AND WOOTON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:67.15(C) and to enact R.S. 14:69.1, relative to stolen firearms; to increase the criminal penalties for the crime of theft of a firearm; to create the crime of illegal possession

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of stolen firearms; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 66—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS

AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 37:1224(F), relative to handling and dispensing of certain drugs; to repeal provisions relative to the handling and dispensing of certain drugs in certain situations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 216—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DUPRE AND LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:98(C)(1)(introductory paragraph), (D)(1), and (G) and R.S. 15:306(A) and to enact R.S. 14:98(C)(3) and (K), relative to the crime of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated; to provide for installation of ignition interlock devices in certain motor vehicles; to provide for the assessment of the offender's degree of alcohol abuse; to provide for increased penalties based upon commission of certain prior offenses; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 128—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1574.1(A)(introductory paragraph), (1), (3), (4), (7), (10), (11), and (12) and to enact R.S. 40:1574.1(A)(13) and (14) and (D), relative to the state fire marshal; to increase the fees for reviewing project plans; to establish a fee for reviewing handicapped accessibility appeals; to establish a fee for performance-based reviews; to provide relative to the disposition of certain fees; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 7—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:381(C)(18) and (19), relative to the police chiefs in certain municipalities; to provide that the police chief in the towns of Lecompte and Cheneyville shall be appointed; to provide for the time of the initial appointment; to provide for method of appointment and for the salary, term, duties, and supervision of the police chief; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 215—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOPKINS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:412(D)(3)(introductory paragraph), (b), (c), and (d), (4)(introductory paragraph), (6), and (7) and to enact R.S. 32:412(D)(8), relative to driver's license renewals; to authorize Class "D" or "E" driver's license renewals by mail or electronic commerce under certain circumstances; to authorize a late fee for renewal of expired Class "D" or "E" drivers' licenses by mail or electronic commerce; to provide for the disposition of the late fee into the Office of Motor Vehicles Customer Service and Technology Fund; to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 219—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOPKINS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1321(I), relative to special identification cards; to provide for renewals; to provide for the adoption of rules; to provide for a late fee; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 124—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATOR HAINKEL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3351(A)(5)(b), relative to tuition and attendance fees at public colleges and universities; to provide for the powers, duties, and responsibilities of public postsecondary education management boards; to grant authority to the management boards to establish in accordance with certain

guidelines tuition and mandatory attendance fees applicable to resident and nonresident students, respectively; to provide limitations; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 178—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DANIEL AND THOMPSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:75(C)(1) and (D) and to enact R.S. 39:75(E), relative to the expenditure of state funds and budgetary procedure; to provide a limit on certain reductions in appropriations from the state general fund; to provide for procedures for reductions in certain appropriations; to require legislative approval of certain gubernatorial budget reductions; and to provide for related matters.

Respectfully submitted,
ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House of Representatives

House Bills and Joint Resolutions

Senator Lambert asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up at this time the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions just received from the House of Representatives with the view of acting on the same:

HOUSE BILL NO. 7—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:381(C)(18) and (19), relative to the police chiefs in certain municipalities; to provide that the police chief in the towns of Lecompte and Cheneyville shall be appointed; to provide for the time of the initial appointment; to provide for method of appointment and for the salary, term, duties, and supervision of the police chief; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 9—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 14(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to authorize a local government to loan, pledge, or donate certain revenues for industrial development purposes; to provide prerequisites for such a loan, pledge, or donation; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 41—
BY REPRESENTATIVES FUTRELL, MCMAINS, KENNARD, BRUCE, CAZAYOUX, DEVILLIER, DUPRE, FARRAR, ROMERO, AND WOOTON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:67.15(C) and to enact R.S. 14:69.1, relative to stolen firearms; to increase the criminal penalties for the crime of theft of a firearm; to create the crime of illegal possession of stolen firearms; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary C.

HOUSE BILL NO. 66—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS

AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 37:1224(F), relative to handling and dispensing of certain drugs; to repeal provisions relative to the handling and dispensing of certain drugs in certain situations.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

HOUSE BILL NO. 124—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATOR HAINKEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3351(A)(5)(b), relative to tuition and attendance fees at public colleges and universities; to provide for the powers, duties, and responsibilities of public postsecondary education management boards; to grant authority to the management boards to establish in accordance with certain guidelines tuition and mandatory attendance fees applicable to resident and nonresident students, respectively; to provide limitations; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE BILL NO. 128—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1574.1(A)(introductory paragraph), (1), (3), (4), (7), (10), (11), and (12) and to enact R.S. 40:1574.1(A)(13) and (14) and (D), relative to the state fire marshal; to increase the fees for reviewing project plans; to establish a fee for reviewing handicapped accessibility appeals; to establish a fee for performance-based reviews; to provide relative to the disposition of certain fees; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

HOUSE BILL NO. 178—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DANIEL AND THOMPSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:75(C)(1) and (D) and to enact R.S. 39:75(E), relative to the expenditure of state funds and budgetary procedure; to provide a limit on certain reductions in appropriations from the state general fund; to provide for procedures for reductions in certain appropriations; to require legislative approval of certain gubernatorial budget reductions; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 215—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOPKINS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:412(D)(3)(introductory paragraph), (b), (c), and (d), (4)(introductory paragraph), (6), and (7) and to enact R.S. 32:412(D)(8), relative to driver's license renewals; to authorize Class "D" or "E" driver's license renewals by mail or electronic commerce under certain circumstances; to authorize a late fee for renewal of expired Class "D" or "E" drivers' licenses by mail or electronic commerce; to provide for the disposition of the late fee into the Office of Motor Vehicles Customer Service and Technology Fund; to authorize the promulgation of rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works.

HOUSE BILL NO. 216—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DUPRE AND LAFLEUR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:98(C)(1)(introductory paragraph), (D)(1), and (G) and R.S. 15:306(A) and to enact R.S. 14:98(C)(3) and (K), relative to the crime of operating a motor vehicle while

intoxicated; to provide for installation of ignition interlock devices in certain motor vehicles; to provide for the assessment of the offender's degree of alcohol abuse; to provide for increased penalties based upon commission of certain prior offenses; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary C.

HOUSE BILL NO. 219—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOPKINS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1321(I), relative to special identification cards; to provide for renewals; to provide for the adoption of rules; to provide for a late fee; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works.

Messages from the House

The following Messages from the House were received and read as follows:

Message from the House

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

March 31, 2000

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House of Representatives has finally passed and asks your concurrence in the following House Concurrent Resolutions:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 40—
BY REPRESENTATIVE NEVERS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study the potential economic impact of developing a reservoir in Washington Parish and to report the findings of such study to the House and Senate Committees on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 41—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to study the need for age restrictions for operating all-terrain vehicles.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 42—
BY REPRESENTATIVE STRAIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to financially assist in the implementation of a dairy waste management program in Louisiana.

Respectfully submitted,
ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House of Representatives

House Concurrent Resolutions

Senator Lambert asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up at this time the following House Concurrent Resolutions just received from the House which were taken up, read a first and second time by their titles and acted upon as follows:

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 40—

BY REPRESENTATIVE NEVERS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study the potential economic impact of developing a reservoir in Washington Parish and to report the findings of such study to the House and Senate Committees on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the resolution was read by title and referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 41—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to study the need for age restrictions for operating all-terrain vehicles.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the resolution was read by title and referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 42—

BY REPRESENTATIVE STRAIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to financially assist in the implementation of a dairy waste management program in Louisiana.

The resolution was read by title. Senator Thomas moved to concur in the House Concurrent Resolution.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fontenot	Marionneaux
Bajoie	Gautreaux	McPherson
Barham	Heitmeier	Michot
Bean	Hines	Mount
Boissiere	Hollis	Romero
Campbell	Hoyt	Schedler
Chaisson	Irons	Smith
Cravins	Johnson	Theunissen
Dardenne	Jones, C	Thomas
Ellington	Lambert	Ullo
Fields, C	Lentini	
Fields, W	Malone	
Total—34		

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Cain	Jones, B	Tarver
Dean	Robichaux	
Total—5		

The Chair declared the Senate had concurred in the House Concurrent Resolution and ordered it returned to the House.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

JUDICIARY C

Senator Lentini, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary C, submitted the following report:

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To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 166—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DUPRE, DEWITT, AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS HAINKEL, CAIN, AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:300, relative to motor vehicles; to prohibit the possession of open alcoholic beverage containers in motor vehicles; to prohibit the consumption of alcoholic beverages in the passenger area of motor vehicles; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide relative to enforcement; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
ARTHUR J. "ART" LENTINI
Chairman

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
on Second Reading
Reported by Committees

Senator Lentini asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up at this time the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions just reported by Committees.

HOUSE BILL NO. 166—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DUPRE, DEWITT, AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS HAINKEL, CAIN, AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:300, relative to motor vehicles; to prohibit the possession of open alcoholic beverage containers in motor vehicles; to prohibit the consumption of alcoholic beverages in the passenger area of motor vehicles; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide relative to enforcement; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary C. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Special Order of the Day

The following House Bill on Third Reading and Final Passage, which was made Special Order of the Day No. 1, was taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 36—

BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND DEWITT
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:302(O) and 331(M), relative to the state sales and use tax; to provide relative to the effectiveness of certain exemptions to the tax; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Bajoie sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Bajoie to Engrossed House Bill No. 36 by Representative Hammett

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 3, after "M." insert "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, between lines 10 and 11, insert:

"(2) If the exemptions to the tax levied by R.S. 47:321, except for the same exemptions as are provided for in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, are suspended, or are made inapplicable, inoperable, or of no effect at any time during the period July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2002, then the exemptions provided for in this Subsection shall immediately resume, commence, and become effective on the same date."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 18, delete "and 331(M)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, between lines 19 and 20, insert:

"Section 4. It is the intention of the legislature that the tax exemptions made inapplicable, inoperable, and of no effect for the period July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2002, by virtue of R.S. 47:331(M) shall resume, commence, and become effective on July 1, 2002 or on the same date that the exemptions to the tax levied by R.S. 47:321, except for the same exemptions as are provided for in this Act, are suspended, or are made inapplicable, inoperable, or of no effect, whichever is earliest."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 20, change "Section 4." to "Section 5."

Senator Bajoie moved adoption of the amendments.

Senator Barham objected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Bajoie	Fields, C	Johnson
Boissiere	Fields, W	Jones, C
Campbell	Gautreaux	Marionneaux
Cravins	Hines	McPherson
Dean	Irons	Tarver
Total—15		

NAYS

Mr. President	Hollis	Romero
Barham	Hoyt	Schedler
Bean	Jones, B	Smith
Chaisson	Lambert	Theunissen
Dardenne	Lentini	Thomas
Ellington	Malone	Ullo
Fontenot	Michot	
Heitmeier	Mount	
Total—22		

ABSENT

Cain	Robichaux
Total—2	

The Chair declared the amendments were rejected.

Motion

Senator Theunissen moved the previous question on the entire subject matter.

Senator C. Fields objected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Hollis	Schedler
Barham	Hoyt	Smith
Bean	Jones, B	Tarver
Chaisson	Lambert	Theunissen
Dardenne	Lentini	Thomas
Ellington	Michot	Ullo
Fontenot	Mount	
Gautreaux	Romero	
Total—22		

NAYS

Bajoie	Fields, C	Jones, C
Boissiere	Fields, W	Malone
Campbell	Heitmeier	Marionneaux
Cravins	Irons	McPherson
Dean	Johnson	
Total—14		

ABSENT

Cain	Hines	Robichaux
Total—3		

The Chair declared the previous question was called on the entire subject matter.

The bill was read by title. Senator Barham moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Gautreaux	Michot
Bajoie	Heitmeier	Mount
Barham	Hollis	Romero
Bean	Hoyt	Schedler
Boissiere	Irons	Smith
Chaisson	Johnson	Tarver
Cravins	Jones, B	Theunissen
Dardenne	Jones, C	Thomas
Ellington	Lambert	Ullo
Fontenot	Lentini	
Total—29		

NAYS

Campbell	Fields, W	Marionneaux
Dean	Hines	McPherson
Fields, C	Malone	
Total—8		

ABSENT

Cain	Robichaux
Total—2	

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The Chair declared the bill was passed. The title was read and adopted. Senator Barham moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the House of Representatives with Amendments

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions returned from the House of Representatives with amendments were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE BILL NO. 27— BY SENATORS THEUNISSEN, HAINKEL, DARDENNE AND SCHEDLER AND REPRESENTATIVES CRANE, DEWITT, MCMAINS AND BRUNEAU AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3048.1(T), relative to eligibility qualifications for awards pursuant to the Tuition Opportunity Program for Students for students graduating from Louisiana nonpublic schools that are approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and also meet other specified standards; to provide that certain nonpublic schools shall have until the 2002-2003 school year to meet the other specified standards; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

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

SENATE BILL NO. 90— BY SENATORS MOUNT, CAIN AND THEUNISSEN AND REPRESENTATIVES FLAVIN, GUILLORY, HILL, JOHNS, MORRISH AND STELLY AN ACT

To enact Chapter 41 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 33:9571, relative to the creation of a special taxing district in Calcasieu Parish; to create such district; to provide for the purpose for which such district is created; to provide for the governance of the district; to provide for the powers, duties, and functions of the district, including the power to levy a tax and assess fees; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Lambert, the bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

SENATE BILL NO. 106— BY SENATOR ELLINGTON AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1837(C)(4), 1856(A),(D),(E), and (F), 1857(B), 1989(A), (B), and (D), 1998(A)(1) and 2110(A) and (E) and to enact R.S. 47:1852.1, 1903.3, 1989(F) and 1998.1, relative to ad valorem tax procedures; to provide for contesting final determinations of the Louisiana Tax Commission; to provide for procedures dealing with the payment of ad valorem taxes under protest generally; to modify certain tax procedures regarding withholding and aggregating ad valorem taxes due into separate funds during litigation; to provide for procedure to expedite the trial and disposition of taxes; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Ellington sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Ellington to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 106 by Senator Ellington

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 5, line 23, change "heard" to "tried"

AMENDMENT NO. 2 On page 8, line 5, change "heard" to "tried"

AMENDMENT NO. 3 On page 10, line 1, change "heard" to "tried"

AMENDMENT NO. 4 On page 11, line 14, change "heard" to "tried"

AMENDMENT NO. 5 On page 13, line 6, after "dispute" delete the "," and between "of" and "suit" insert "a"

On motion of Senator Ellington, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Ellington moved final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

Table with columns for YEAS and NAYS, listing names of senators and their counts.

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Table listing absent senators: Boissiere, Cain, Lambert, Robichaux. Total—4

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed. The title was read and adopted. Senator Ellington moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 115— BY SENATORS HEITMEIER, LENTINI AND ULLO AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2500.2(B)(1) and to enact R.S. 13:2113 and R.S. 38:306.1, relative to courts; to provide for imposition, deposit and use of certain traffic court fees; to provide for a special operational expense fund for levee districts within whose jurisdictional boundaries is located any municipality with a population in excess of four hundred fifty thousand; to provide for imposition and allocation of certain traffic court fees of the Traffic Court of New Orleans; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Heitmeier, the bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

Rules Suspended

Senator B. Jones asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of reverting to the Morning Hour.

Introduction of Senate Concurrent Resolutions

Senator B. Jones asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of introducing and reading the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions a first and second time and acting upon them as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—

BY SENATOR B. JONES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the 1999-2000 Louisiana Tech University Lady Techsters Women's Basketball Team and Coach Leon Barmore and his staff.

The resolution was read by title. Senator B. Jones moved to adopt the Senate Concurrent Resolution.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields, W	Lentini
Bajoie	Fontenot	Malone
Barham	Gautreaux	Marionneau
Bean	Heitmeier	McPherson
Boissiere	Hines	Michot
Campbell	Hollis	Mount
Chaisson	Hoyt	Romero
Cravins	Irons	Schedler
Dardenne	Johnson	Smith
Dean	Jones, B	Theunissen
Ellington	Jones, C	Thomas
Fields, C	Lambert	Ullo
Total—36		

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Cain	Robichaux	Tarver
Total—3		

The Chair declared the Senate had adopted the Senate Concurrent Resolution and ordered it sent to the House.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—

BY SENATOR B. JONES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Louisiana Tech University Women's Basketball Coach Leon Barmore for an outstanding career and his achievements in coaching.

The resolution was read by title. Senator B. Jones moved to adopt the Senate Concurrent Resolution.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields, W	Lentini
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Bajoie	Fontenot	Marionneau
Barham	Gautreaux	McPherson
Bean	Heitmeier	Michot
Boissiere	Hines	Mount
Campbell	Hollis	Romero
Chaisson	Hoyt	Schedler
Cravins	Irons	Smith
Dardenne	Johnson	Theunissen
Dean	Jones, B	Thomas
Ellington	Jones, C	Ullo
Fields, C	Lambert	
Total—35		

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Cain	Robichaux
Malone	Tarver
Total—4	

The Chair declared the Senate had adopted the Senate Concurrent Resolution and ordered it sent to the House.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

FINANCE

Senator Dardenne, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

March 31, 2000

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 185—

BY REPRESENTATIVES LEBLANC, DEWITT, AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE

AN ACT

To appropriate funds from certain sources to be allocated to designated agencies and designated purposes in specific amounts for the purpose of making supplemental appropriations for the funding of said agencies and purposes during the 1999-2000 Fiscal Year; to provide for reductions to certain appropriations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 195—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, BRUNEAU, AND LEBLANC AND SENATORS HAINKEL, LAMBERT, AND DARDENNE

AN ACT

To appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Six Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-six and No/100 (\$1,406,396.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the state general fund, to defray the expenses of the First Extraordinary Session of 2000 of the Louisiana Legislature, by providing funds for payment of mileage and per diem of members of the legislature, for payment of per diem, salaries, and/or expense allowances of legislative officers, employees, and staff, for payment of costs of printing and supplies and for other expenses of the legislature at this session and to provide for retention and use of such funds by the two houses; and to provide for related matters.

March 31, 2000

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 214 (Duplicate of Senate Bill No. 37)—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATOR DARDENNE AND
COAUTHORED BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY AND SENATOR HAINKEL
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 27:271.1, relative to casino gaming operations; to provide relative to the distribution of casino revenue; to provide for credit for certain payments; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
JAY DARDENNE
Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
NATURAL RESOURCES

Senator Romero, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Natural Resources, submitted the following report:

March 31, 2000

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DUPRE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to provide for credit towards the nonfederal share in the Water Resources Development Act of 2000, for the cost of any work performed by the nonfederal interests for interim flood protection that is determined to be compatible and an integral part of the Morganza to the Gulf of Mexico Hurricane Protection Project, and to allow the remaining portion of the nonfederal share to be paid over a period of time not to exceed thirty years.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FLAVIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:87.8(B), relative to certain procedures for renting or leasing of sixteenth section lands for hunting or trapping purposes; to provide for the submission of a teller's check or an official check issued by a bank with a bid proposal; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 12—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOPKINS
AN ACT

To authorize and provide the state through the division of administration to transfer certain tracts of land situated in Caddo Parish to lessees; to provide certain terms and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 24—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:1853, relative to the natural and scenic rivers program; to delete certain restrictions on the placement of barricades, barriers, fences, or obstacles on natural and scenic rivers; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 148—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 41:726 and 1212(K), relative to sixteenth section lands; to authorize the Bienville Parish School Board to sell sixteenth section lands located in Bienville Parish by public sale; to provide for use of proceeds; to provide for lease of sixteenth section lands; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 197—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS
HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2484(10), relative to the oil spill contingency fund; to extend the time limit for the completion of the environmental baseline inventory; to provide for disbursement of funds; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
CRAIG F. ROMERO
Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Senator Bajoie, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs, submitted the following report:

March 31, 2000

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to submit the following report:

HOUSE BILL NO. 23—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE
AN ACT

To repeal Act No. 97 of the 1972 Regular Session of the Legislature, Act No. 431 of the 1975 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Act No. 628 of the 1979 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the municipal employee civil service system in the city of Thibodaux.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 207—
BY REPRESENTATIVES FAUCHEUX AND QUEZAIRE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4574.12, relative to the parishes of St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, and St. James; to create the River Parishes Convention, Tourist, and Visitors District comprising such parishes; to create and provide for the appointment, powers, and duties of a commission to govern the district; to authorize the commission to levy and collect a hotel/motel occupancy tax to fund the activities of the commission; to provide relative to borrowing by the commission and budgetary matters; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
DIANA E. BAJOIE
Chairwoman

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
JUDICIARY B**

Senator Cravins, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

March 31, 2000

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 71—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, MCMAINS, HEBERT, AND WALSWORTH
AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 895.1(C), relative to probation; to increase the minimum monthly fee paid by criminals who are released on probation; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 77—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, MCMAINS, AND WALSWORTH AND
SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.4(H)(4)(o), relative to parole eligibility; to provide for conditions of parole; to provide for reimbursement by parolees to the Board of Parole; to provide for the costs which may be reimbursed; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 187—
BY REPRESENTATIVES WELCH AND KENNARD
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:783(D)(6), relative to clerks of court; to authorize the clerk of court for East Baton Rouge Parish to purchase or lease a total of two automobiles for the transportation of documents, equipment, and employees or for use for any purpose related to the operation of the office; to provide for insurance; to provide for disbursement of funds from the clerk's salary fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD R. CRAVINS
Chairman

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION**

Senator Hollis, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, submitted the following report:

March 31, 2000

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 132—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS
HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3103(A)(11), 3113, 3116, 3117(B) and (C), and 3118 and to repeal Part V of Chapter 42 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:3144 through 3148, relative to the Louisiana Auctioneers Licensing Board; to provide for the licensure of auction businesses; to provide relative to fees assessed by the board; to require bonds of applicants and licensees; to delete provisions relative to the Auctioneers Recovery Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 134—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATORS DARDENNE AND
HAINKEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:911.24(A)(1) and (6), 911.32(D), 912.21(8), 912.22(introductory paragraph), 912.24(1) and (2)(d), 912.25(3), 912.27(A), (B), and (C), and 912.28(A), to enact R.S. 51:911.24(C)(2), 912.21(9) and (10), 912.27(E), 912.29, and 912.30, and to repeal R.S. 51:911.24(C)(3), relative to the state fire marshal; to provide relative to licensure of manufacturers and dealers; to establish penalties for interference with the duties of the state fire marshal; to provide for definitions; to change installation standards for manufactured housing; to require installation permit stickers to install manufactured homes; to require installation permit stickers for electrical utility services; to establish fees for installation permit stickers; to provide for the disposition of certain fees; to establish penalties for improper installation of manufactured homes; to provide for rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
KEN HOLLIS
Chairman

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions
on Second Reading
Reported by Committees**

Senator Hollis asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up at this time the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions just reported by Committees.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FLAVIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:87.8(B), relative to certain procedures for renting or leasing of sixteenth section lands for hunting or trapping purposes; to provide for the submission of a teller's check or an official check issued by a bank with a bid proposal; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 12—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOPKINS
AN ACT

To authorize and provide the state through the division of administration to transfer certain tracts of land situated in Caddo Parish to lessees; to provide certain terms and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

March 31, 2000

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

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To repeal Act No. 97 of the 1972 Regular Session of the Legislature, Act No. 431 of the 1975 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Act No. 628 of the 1979 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the municipal employee civil service system in the city of Thibodaux.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 24—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:1853, relative to the natural and scenic rivers program; to delete certain restrictions on the placement of barricades, barriers, fences, or obstacles on natural and scenic rivers; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 71—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, MCMAINS, HEBERT, AND WALSWORTH AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 895.1(C), relative to probation; to increase the minimum monthly fee paid by criminals who are released on probation; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary B. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 77—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, MCMAINS, AND WALSWORTH AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.4(H)(4)(o), relative to parole eligibility; to provide for conditions of parole; to provide for reimbursement by parolees to the Board of Parole; to provide for the costs which may be reimbursed; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary B. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

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BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3103(A)(11), 3113, 3116, 3117(B) and (C), and 3118 and to repeal Part V of Chapter 42 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:3144 through 3148, relative to the Louisiana Auctioneers Licensing Board; to provide for the licensure of auction businesses; to provide relative to fees assessed by the board; to require bonds of applicants and licensees; to delete provisions relative to the Auctioneers Recovery Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 134—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATORS DARDENNE AND HAINKEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:911.24(A)(1) and (6), 911.32(D), 912.21(8), 912.22(introductory paragraph), 912.24(1) and (2)(d), 912.25(3), 912.27(A), (B), and (C), and 912.28(A), to enact R.S. 51:911.24(C)(2), 912.21(9) and (10), 912.27(E), 912.29, and 912.30, and to repeal R.S. 51:911.24(C)(3), relative to the state fire marshal; to provide relative to licensure of manufacturers and dealers; to establish penalties for interference with the duties of the state fire marshal; to provide for definitions; to change installation standards for manufactured housing; to require installation permit stickers to install manufactured homes; to require installation permit stickers for electrical utility services; to establish fees for installation permit stickers; to provide for the disposition of certain fees; to establish penalties for improper installation of manufactured homes; to provide for rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 148—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 41:726 and 1212(K), relative to sixteenth section lands; to authorize the Bienville Parish School Board to sell sixteenth section lands located in Bienville Parish by public sale; to provide for use of proceeds; to provide for lease of sixteenth section lands; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Natural Resources.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Natural Resources to Engrossed House Bill No. 148 by Representative Salter

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 5, after "lands;" insert "to provide for sale of property by the state land office;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, at the end of line 6, insert the following:

"Any sale of sixteenth section lands which occurs as authorized by this Subsection shall be executed by the state land office on behalf of the Bienville Parish School Board."

On motion of Senator Romero, the committee amendment was adopted. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 185—
BY REPRESENTATIVES LEBLANC, DEWITT, AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To appropriate funds from certain sources to be allocated to designated agencies and designated purposes in specific amounts for the purpose of making supplemental appropriations for the funding of said agencies and purposes during the 1999-2000 Fiscal Year; to

provide for reductions to certain appropriations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Reengrossed House Bill No. 185 by Representative LeBlanc

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 8 and 9 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 1. The sum of Eleven Million Eight Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Three and no/100 (\$11,846,223) Dollars is"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 19, insert the following:

"01-107 DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION

Payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to the Executive Administration Program for attorney fees and court cost in the court case of Elmer Hilbun v. Division of Administration \$4,061"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 6, after "Parishes" insert ", and water shortage in the Town of Grand Isle"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, delete lines 10 and 11 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"amount of Eight Million Four Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Three and no/100 (\$8,481,573) shall be comprised of any unexpended,"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

"Section 7. Of the funds appropriated in Act 10 of the 1999 Session of the Legislature in Section 15, Schedule 04-144 Commissioner of Elections, the amount of Fifty-Five Thousand and Eighty-Five Dollars (\$55,085) shall be used for professional service contracts for budgetary analysis, strategic planning and reorganization and a report to the Legislature."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, line 15, delete "7" and insert "8"

On motion of Senator Dardenne, the committee amendment was adopted. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 187—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WELCH AND KENNARD
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:783(D)(6), relative to clerks of court; to authorize the clerk of court for East Baton Rouge Parish to purchase or lease a total of two automobiles for the transportation of documents, equipment, and employees or for use for any purpose related to the operation of the office; to provide for insurance; to provide for disbursement of funds from the clerk's salary fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Judiciary B. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 195—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, BRUNEAU, AND LEBLANC AND SENATORS HAINKEL, LAMBERT, AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Six Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-six and No/100 (\$1,406,396.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the state general fund, to defray the expenses of the First Extraordinary Session of 2000 of the Louisiana Legislature, by providing funds for payment of mileage and per diem of members of the legislature, for payment of per diem, salaries, and/or expense allowances of legislative officers, employees, and staff, for payment of costs of printing and supplies and for other expenses of the legislature at this session and to provide for retention and use of such funds by the two houses; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Finance. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 197—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2484(10), relative to the oil spill contingency fund; to extend the time limit for the completion of the environmental baseline inventory; to provide for disbursement of funds; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 207—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FAUCHEUX AND QUEZAIRE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4574.12, relative to the parishes of St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, and St. James; to create the River Parishes Convention, Tourist, and Visitors District comprising such parishes; to create and provide for the appointment, powers, and duties of a commission to govern the district; to authorize the commission to levy and collect a hotel/motel occupancy tax to fund the activities of the commission; to provide relative to borrowing by the commission and budgetary matters; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 214 (Duplicate of Senate Bill No. 37)—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATOR DARDENNE AND COAUTHORED BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY AND SENATOR HAINKEL
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 27:271.1, relative to casino gaming operations; to provide relative to the distribution of casino revenue; to provide for credit for certain payments; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Finance. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Privilege Report of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs

ENROLLMENTS

March 31, 2000

Senator Ullo, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs, submitted the following report:

March 31, 2000

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

The following Senate Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 15—
BY SENATOR THOMAS

A RESOLUTION

To designate March 30, 2000, as Doctors Day and to urge all citizens and all community organizations to join in this observance.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3—
BY SENATOR LENTINI

A RESOLUTION

To adopt Senate Rule No. 1.1(D) of the Senate Rules of Order, to prohibit the possession, custody, and use of a dangerous weapon in any part of the capitol building that is set apart for the use of the Senate and its officers; and to provide for enforcement and exceptions.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 16—
BY SENATOR ROMERO

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana on the death of Ted Ardoin, husband, father, son, brother, teacher, supervisor, administrator, public servant, community and civic leader, coach, lector, and friend.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

A RESOLUTION

To designate April, 2000 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Respectfully submitted,
CHRIS ULLO
Chairman

The foregoing Senate Resolutions were signed by the President of the Senate and presented to the Secretary of State by the Secretary.

Privilege Report of the Committee on
Senate and Governmental Affairs

ENROLLMENTS

Senator Ullo, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs, submitted the following report:

March 31, 2000

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

The following Senate Concurrent Resolution has been properly enrolled:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18—
BY SENATORS BOISSIERE, BAJOIE, JOHNSON AND IRONS AND REPRESENTATIVES CLARKSON, HUNTER, L. JACKSON, M. JACKSON, LANDRIEU, MURRAY, PRATT, RICHMOND AND WILLARD
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Joseph Bouie, Jr. on being selected as the chancellor of Southern University Agricultural and Mechanical College in New Orleans.

Respectfully submitted,
CHRIS ULLO
Chairman

The foregoing Senate Concurrent Resolution was signed by the President of the Senate.

Privilege Report of the Committee on
Senate and Governmental Affairs

ENROLLMENTS

Senator Ullo, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs, submitted the following report:

March 31, 2000

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

The following Senate Bills have been properly enrolled:

SENATE BILL NO. 9 (Duplicate of House Bill No. 8)—
BY SENATOR GAUTREAUX AND REPRESENTATIVE DUPRE AND COAUTHORED BY REPRESENTATIVE DOWNER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:132(B)(2), relative to regional planning commissions; to allow certain members of the Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission to receive compensation under certain conditions; and to provide for related matters.

SENATE BILL NO. 11 (Duplicate of House Bill No. 21)—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER AND REPRESENTATIVE STRAIN AND COAUTHORED BY SENATORS HAINKEL AND THOMAS AND REPRESENTATIVES CROWE, NEVERS AND WINSTON
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 16:16.2, relative to district attorneys; to authorize a non-refundable court cost to be paid to the Twenty-Second Judicial District to defray prosecutive expenses; and to provide for related matters.

SENATE BILL NO. 23 (Duplicate of House Bill No. 138)—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN AND REPRESENTATIVE CRANE AND COAUTHORED BY SENATORS HAINKEL, DARDENNE AND REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND MCMAINS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3883(A)(5), (6), and (7), and (B)(2), 3903(A) and 3904(A)(1), to enact R.S. 17:3883(B)(5) and 3905, and to repeal R.S. 17:3883(A)(8), relative to the evaluation of school personnel; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; to provide relative to the monitoring of evaluation programs by the state Department of Education; to provide relative to the implementation of such programs; to provide for sanctions; to provide for submission of certain documentation; and to provide for related matters.

SENATE BILL NO. 24 (Duplicate of House Bill No. 44)—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN AND REPRESENTATIVE CRANE AND COAUTHORED BY SENATORS HAINKEL, DARDENNE AND SCHEDLER AND REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND MCMAINS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:238, relative to school attendance; to specifically require city and parish school boards to have a policy regarding the placement and education of foster children; to prohibit denial of enrollment because the child is in foster care; and to provide for related matters.

Respectfully submitted,
CHRIS ULLO
Chairman

The foregoing Senate Bills were signed by the President of the Senate.

Message to the Secretary of State

**SIGNED
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

March 31, 2000

To the Honorable Secretary of State:

The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives have signed the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15—
BY SENATORS C. FIELDS, BOISSIERE, CRAVINS, W. FIELDS, IRONS, JOHNSON, C. JONES, AND TARVER AND REPRESENTATIVES BAYLOR, BROOME, K. CARTER, CURTIS, GLOVER, GREEN, GUILLORY, HOLDEN, HUDSON, HUNTER, L. JACKSON, M. JACKSON, LUCAS, MORRELL, MURRAY, PIERRE, PRATT, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, WELCH, WILKERSON, AND WILLARD

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Adam Smith for achieving national recognition for exemplary volunteer service from The National Association of Secondary School Principals and The Prudential Insurance Company of America.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16—
BY SENATOR C. FIELDS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate the third Saturday in June as "Juneteenth National Freedom Day" in Louisiana.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Slidell Junior Auxiliary on their exemplary service to their community and to Louisiana.

Respectfully submitted,
MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

Leaves of Absence

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Cain 1 Day Robichaux 1 Day

Adjournment

Senator Lambert moved that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, April 4, 2000 at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned until 5:00 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday, April 4, 2000.

MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

GAYE F. HAMILTON
Journal Clerk