The Senate was called to order at 5:00 o'clock P.M., by Hon. Donald E. Hines, President of the Senate.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Mr. President
Amedee
Bajoie
Barham
Boasso
Boissiere
Cain
Chaisson
Cheek
Cravins
Dardenne
Duplessis
Dupre
Total—37

ABSENT

Adley
Schedler
Total—2

The President of the Senate announced there were 37 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Rev. Lee. T. Wesley, 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 Bajoie, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of yesterday was adopted.

Morning Hour

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

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

March 25, 2004

Senator Donald E. Hines, M.D. President
President of the Senate
State of Louisiana
P. O. Box 94183
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

Dear Senator Hines:

Pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statutes Title 37:§§1311-1329, and more particularly §1314(B), the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (“Board”) has appointed the following individual to serve on the Clinical Laboratory Personnel Committee, and she is, therefore, submitted for Senate confirmation:

Stephanie Hanson, M.D.
303 Old Settlement Road
Lafayette, LA 70508

Elmo J. Laborde, M.D., member of the Board has replaced Richard M. Nunnally, M.D., as the non-voting member of the Committee and as the Committee’s liaison to the Board. Dr. Laborde’s appointment does not require Senate confirmation, but this is included for you information. Please let us know if you require further information to confirm this appointment.

Yours very truly,

RITA L. ARCENEAUX
Confidential Executive Assistant

CITY COURT OF HAMMOND

State of Louisiana

January 13, 2004

Honorable Don Hines
President of the Senate
P. O. Box 94183
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

Dear Senator Hines:

As President of the Louisiana City Judges Association, I have appointed myself, Judge Grace Bennett Gasaway, as the appointee of the Louisiana City Judges Association, to serve on the Judicial Compensation Commission.

This appointment was effective on November 18, 2003 and replaced the prior appointment of Judge William T. Klempeter.
Please advise if you have any questions or if any additional information is needed. All correspondence may be sent to my attention at 303 E. Thomas Street, Hammond, LA 70401.

Sincerely,
GRACE BENNETT GASAWAY
President, LA City Judges Association

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
State of Louisiana

January 30, 2004

Honorable Don Hines
President of the Senate
State Capitol Building
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Dear Senator Hines:

Pursuant to the Louisiana Constitution, Article IV, Section 13, I have appointed Mr. Nicholas Gachassin, Jr. as my First Assistant Attorney General and hereby submit his name to the Senate for confirmation in the upcoming legislative session.

Mr. Gachassin is extremely qualified to serve as First Assistant Attorney General having practiced civil law and managed a successful law practice in the State of Louisiana for over thirty years. He is licensed to practice before all courts in Louisiana. Mr. Gachassin brings invaluable litigation experience to the Department of Justice and will insure that the department provides quality legal leadership for the state.

I am confident that he will represent the Department of Justice and the State of Louisiana in an exemplary manner.

Sincerely,
CHARLES C. FOTI, JR.
Attorney General

LSU HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER
Health Care Services Division

March 22, 2004

The Honorable Don Hines
President of the Senate
P. O. Box 94183
Capitol Station
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

RE: Appointment to the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center - Health Care Services Division Community Advisory Committee

Dear Senator Hines:

Attached are completed Confirmation Questionnaires on individuals recently appointed to one of the HCSD Community Advisory Committee:

C Philip Stagg - Bogalusa Medical Center (replacing Nancy Freudenthal)
C John H. Coates - Earl K. Long Medical Center (replacing Gaynell Young)

In accordance with R.S. 17:1519.7.B, “Such appointments shall be submitted to the Senate for confirmation.”

If you have any questions regarding the questionnaire, please contact Marcia Daigle of my staff. Ms. Daigle may be reached at 922-0493.

Sincerely,
ROBERT PLAISANCE
Vice Chancellor/CEO (Interim)
Health Care Services Division
LSU Health Sciences Center

March 8, 2004

LSU HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER
Health Care Services Division

March 29, 2004

The Honorable Don Hines
President of the Senate
P. O. Box 94183
Capitol Station
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

RE: Appointment to the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center - Health Care Services Division Community Advisory Committee

Dear Senator Hines:

Attached are completed Confirmation Questionnaires on individuals recently appointed to one of the HCSD Community Advisory Committee:

C Karen Varnado - Bogalusa Medical Center (replacing Elizabeth McHugh)
C Dale Freeman - Bogalusa Medical Center (replacing Mary Jane Arlt)

In accordance with R.S. 17:1519.7.B, “Such appointments shall be submitted to the Senate for confirmation.”

If you have any questions regarding the questionnaire, please contact Marcia Daigle of my staff. Ms. Daigle may be reached at 922-0493.
The Honorable Don Hines  
President of the Senate  
P. O. Box 94183  
Capitol Station  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804  

RE: Appointment to the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center - Health Care Services Division Community Advisory Committee  

Dear Senator Hines:  

Attached are completed Confirmation Questionnaires on individuals recently appointed to one of the HCSD Community Advisory Committees:  

C Robert E. Bermudez - Medical Center of LA at New Orleans (replacing Rev. Audrey Johnson)  
C Reginald Pitcher, Sr. - Earl K. Long Medical Center, Baton Rouge (replacing Kathryn Grigsby)  
C Terry Rew - Earl K. Long Medical Center, Baton Rouge (replacing Dr. Louis Montelaro)  
C Gwendolyn Sawyer - Bogalusa Medical Center (replacing Edna Treuting)  
C Alan R. Wilson - Bogalusa Medical Center (replacing Ed Day)  
C Karl D. Wood - Bogalusa Medical Center (replacing Catherine McMichael)  

In accordance with R. S. 17:1519.7.B, “Such appointments shall be submitted to the Senate for confirmation.”  

If you have any questions regarding the questionnaire, please contact Marcia Daigle of my staff. Ms. Daigle may be reached at 922-0493.  

Sincerely,  
ROBERT PLAISANCE  
Vice Chancellor/CEO (Interim)  
Health Care Services Division  
LSU Health Sciences Center  

MICHAIL G. BAGNERIS  
Judge, Civil District Court  

January 13, 2004  

If you have any questions about this appointment, please do not hesitate to call.  

Sincerely,  
MICHAIL G. BAGNERIS  

ST. JAMES PARISH COUNCIL  

February 10, 2004  

Honorabale Don Hines  
President of the Senate  
P. O. Box 94183  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804  

Dear Senator Hines and Members of the Senate:  

The St. James Parish Council is pleased to announce the reappointment of Lawrence Jackson as the parish representative to the South Louisiana Port Commission.  

Enclosed is a copy of the resolution effectuating the reappointment, February 4, 2004.  

Sincerely,  
ANGELE RODRIGUE  
Council Secretary  

WAYNE J. LEE, PRESIDENT  
Louisiana State Bar Association  

January 13, 2004  

Honorabale Don Hines  
President of the Senate  
P. O. Box 94183  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804  

Re: Reappointment of James J. Coleman to Judicial Compensation Commission  

Dear Mr. Hines:  

This is to confirm my December 2, 2003 letter to Ms. Marsha Jabour, the Director of Boards and Commissions. At its meeting in Baton Rouge on November 8, 2003, the Board of Governors of the Louisiana State Bar Association unanimously approved the designation of James J. Coleman of New Orleans as the Louisiana State Bar Association's appointee on the Judicial Compensation Commission. This appointment is made in accordance with La. R.S. 13:42.  

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions relative to the aforementioned Board of Governors action.  

With best regards, I remain  
Sincerely,  
WAYNE J. LEE
COURT OF APPEAL, THIRD CIRCUIT  
State of Louisiana  
January 13, 2004  

Honorable Don Hines  
President of the Senate  
State of Louisiana  
P. O. Box 94183  
Baton Rouge, LA  70804  

RE: Judicial Compensation Commission  

Dear Senator Hines and Members of the Senate:  

As chairman of the Conference of Court of Appeal Judges, I am informing your office that the Conference's appointee to the Judicial Compensation Commission is myself - Ulysses Gene Thibodeaux. I may be contacted at the above address and phone number.  

If additional information is needed, please feel free to contact me.  

Sincerely,  

ULYSSES GENE THIBODEAUX  

SUPREME COURT  
State of Louisiana  
January 13, 2004  

Honorable Don Hines  
President of the Senate  
Post Office Box 94183  
Baton Rouge, LA  70804  

RE: Appointments to the Judicial Compensation Commission by Chief Justice Calogero  

Dear Senator Hines and Members of the Senate:  

I would like to notify you and confirm that I have re-appointed Sibal Holt as my citizen nominee to the Judicial Compensation Commission effective December 15, 2003. Further, I have also nominated Attorney General Charles Foti to serve on the Judicial Compensation Commission effective December 15, 2003. Incidentally, both of these appointees attended the December 2003 meeting of the Judicial Compensation Commission.  

Thank you for your courtesies. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.  

Yours very truly,  

PASCAL F. CALOGERO, JR.  

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE  
State of Louisiana  
February 25, 2004  

The Honorable Donald E. Hines, M.D.  

President of the Senate  
Post Office Box 94183  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804  

attn: Ms. Lil Luddy  

Dear Senator Hines:  

Please accept the appointment of Ms. Sabrina Heltz for new membership to the Louisiana Health Care Commission. Ms. Heltz will represent a domestic, mutual, nonprofit health service & indemnity company (Blue Cross Blue Shield of Louisiana) replacing Paul Dykes. Attached is a completed questionnaire and a list of the current members with their proper seat information.  

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 225/342-0819 or Vanessa Vince, in my office at 225/342-5075.  

Sincerely,  

DENISE CASSANO  
Executive Director  
Louisiana Health Care Commission  

ST. CHARLES PARISH  
Office of the Parish President  

March 23, 2004  

Honorable Don E. Hines, M.D.  
President  
Louisiana State Senate  
P. O. Box 94183  
Baton Rouge, LA  70804  

Dear Senator Hines and the Members of the Senate:  

Enclosed is a letter to Mr. Joseph Accardo, Jr. Executive Director, Port of South Louisiana in which I appointed Mr. Jay A. Roberts as a Commissioner of the Port of South Louisiana effective January 5, 2004. Also enclosed is a Resolution No. 5141 adopted by the St. Charles Parish Council on January 13, 2004 which confirmed the appointment of Mr. Roberts along with my letter of January 26, 2004 to Mr. Michael S. Baer, III Secretary of the Senate notifying the Senate of this appointment.  

It is my understanding that this appointment may require Senate confirmation, therefore I am submitting it for consideration by the Senate.  

Sincerely,  

ALBERT D. LAQUE  
Parish President  

SECRETARY OF STATE  
State of Louisiana  

Honorable Donald E. Hines  
President of the Senate  
P. O. Box 94183  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804  

Re: Garyville Timberrmill Museum Board
Dear Senator Hines,

Pursuant to R.S. 25:380.31 et. seq., I have appointed the governing board for the Garyville Timbermill Museum. We respectfully request that they be confirmed by the Senate during the next session. The appointers names and addresses are attached hereto.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

W. FOX MCKEITHEN

Geri Broussard-Baloney
P.O. Box 116
Garyville, LA 70051
8/6/03

Ellana DeFrancesch
P.O. Box L
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8/6/03

Jerene Guidry
P.O. Box 2506
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8/6/03

David Millet
1101 West Airline Hwy
LaPlace, LA 70068
8/6/03

Carl Monica
P.O. Drawer A
Garyville, LA 70051
8/6/03

Joyce Orillion
418 Historic Main St.
Garyville, LA 70051
8/6/03

Stan Orillion
418 Historic Main St.
Garyville, LA 70051
8/6/03

Allen St. Pierre
3106 Highway 44
Reserve, LA 70084
8/6/03

Betty Vicnair
129 No. Apple Street
Garyville, LA 70051
8/6/03

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

April 5, 2004

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. 39—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER AND REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate Daniel Scott Eads on his extraordinary accomplishments as a student athlete and scholar at Pope John Paul II High School in Slidell, Louisiana.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 40—
BY SENATOR HINES
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To memorialize the Congress of the United States to provide funding for the Louisiana University of Medical Sciences, Inc., College of Primary Care Medicine.

Reported without amendments.

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

Introduction of Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions

Senator Bajoie asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of introducing and reading the following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions a first and second time and referring them to committee.

SENATE BILL NO. 743—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 29:655(D) and the introductory paragraph of 657(A), relative to military affairs; to provide certain benefits for Civil Air Patrol members who are injured or killed or become ill during performance of their duties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 744—
BY SENATOR FIELDS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 16:11(A)(2), relative to the annual salary of assistant district attorneys payable by the state; to authorize certain district attorneys to reallocate the total amount fixed for the annual salary of their assistant district attorneys; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 745—
BY SENATOR NEVERS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:106, relative to the general powers and duties of parish and municipal planning commissions; to change the authority of a parish or municipality planning commission to adopt a master plan from mandatory to permissive; and to provide for related matters.
On motion of Senator Bajoie, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

SENATE BILL NO. 746—
BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX
AN ACT
To enact Code of Civil Procedure Art. 4843(L), relative to the city courts of Abbeville and Kaplan; to increase the civil jurisdiction of the courts; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 747—
BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2175(E)(6), relative to Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to authorize a supplemental benefit for rehired retiree reemployed or eligible to retire prior to September 9, 1988; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 748—
BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:771(2)(a), the introductory paragraph of R.S. 32:771(2)(b), R.S. 32:773.1(A)(2)(m), (n), (o), (p), 773.2(D)(1), (2), (4)(a)(iii), (E)(1), (F)(1), (4), the introductory paragraph of R.S. 32:773.2(F)(5), (5)(c) and 774(J)(1) and to enact R.S. 32:771(19.1), 773(D), and 774.1, relative to the Louisiana Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission; to provide for activities of outboard marine motor dealers; to provide for areas of responsibilities of such dealers; to provide exemptions for such dealers; to provide for application to the commission as a marine dealer; to require such dealers to provide notice of authorized service representatives; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Bajoie, 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 BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

April 5, 2004

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. 148—
BY REPRESENTATIVES GALLOT AND MURRAY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 1443, relative to the taking of depositions; to provide for the manner of objections and the conduct of counsel; to specify when a deponent may be instructed not to answer; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 750—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DURAND AND MURRAY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 40:41(B) and (C)(2) and 61(A)(4) and to enact R.S. 40:41(J), relative to vital statistics; to provide for judicial use of birth certificates; to provide for judicial use of death certificates; to clarify that an attorney may obtain birth or death certificates in a record only if he represents persons authorized to inspect or receive such certificates; to provide for the Department of Health and Hospitals to use vital statistic information; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 17—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOWLER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 9:292, relative to the use of surnames by married persons; to provide for the use of a deceased spouse's surname; to provide for the use of a present spouse's surname; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 150—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GALLOT
AN ACT
To amend and reenact Title XII of Book III of the Civil Code, formerly consisting of Articles 2891 through 2925, to comprise Articles 2891 through 2913 and to transfer and redesignate Civil Code Article 2924 as R.S. 9:3500, relative to loan; to provide for loan on interest; to provide for definitions of loan for use and loan for consumption; to provide for the application of the rules governing obligations; to provide for things subject to loan for use; to provide for limitations of use; to provide for the ordinary wear and tear; to provide for the liability of borrowers and lenders; to provide for fortuitous events; to provide for valuation and risk of loss; to provide for the reimbursement of expenses; to provide for the time of return of a thing lent for use; to provide for liberative prescription; to provide for ownership of a thing lent for consumption; to provide for the loan of nonfungible things; to provide for the loan of money or commodities; to provide for the term of a loan for consumption; to provide for restoration; to provide for payment of value; to provide for the payment and release of legal interest; to provide for the transfer and redesignation of certain laws; to provide authority for the correction of certain cross-references; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.
provide for the rate of interest prior to judgment; and to provide for related matters.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 418**—
**BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 3603.1(C), relative to protective orders; to require clerks of court to assist in the preparation of applications for protective orders in certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 577**—
**BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON**
**AN ACT**
To enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 224(11), relative to contempt of court; to provide for constructive contempt of court for making a false statement of a material fact for support enforcement services; to provide for contempt of court for failing to disclose a material fact for support enforcement services; and to provide for related matters.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1011**—
**BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS**
**AN ACT**
To repeal Section 2 of Act 1005 of the 2003 Regular Session, relative to the terms of options and rights of first refusal relating to the sale of immovable property; to repeal provisions of Act 1005 of the 2003 Regular Session providing for retroactive application to claims existing or actions pending; to provide for prospective application of Act 1005; to provide for applicability of this Act; and to provide for related matters.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 203**—
**BY REPRESENTATIVE FRITH**
**AN ACT**
To authorize and provide for the transfer of certain state property in Vermilion Parish to the Vermilion Parish Police Jury; and to provide for related matters.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 65**—
**BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 3:2133, relative to the prevention of contagious or communicable diseases in animals; to provide for penalties for improper disposal of certain animal carcasses or failure to restrain certain animals; and to provide for related matters.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 148**—
**BY REPRESENTATIVES GALLOT AND MURRAY**
**AN ACT**
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Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House of Representatives

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions on First Reading**

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions were read a first time by their titles and placed on the Calendar for their second reading:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 17**—
**BY REPRESENTATIVE BOWLER**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 9:292, relative to the use of surnames by married persons; to provide for the use of a deceased spouse's surname; to provide for the use of a present spouse's surname; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title; lies over under the rules.

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valuation and risk of loss; to provide for the reimbursement of expenses; to provide for the time of return of a thing lent for use; to provide for liberative prescription; to provide for ownership of a thing lent for consumption; to provide for the loan of nonfungible things; to provide for the loan of money or commodities; to provide for the term of a loan for consumption; to provide for restoration; to provide for payment of value; to provide for the payment and release of legal interest; to provide for the transfer and redesignation of certain laws; to provide authority for the correction of certain cross-references; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title; lies over under the rules.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 164—**
BY REPRESENTATIVES ANSARDI, DAMICO, LANCASTER, MARTINY, AND SHEPHERD AND SENATORS BOISSIERE, HOLLIS, LENTINI, AND ULLO

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5112(C), relative to judicial interest rates in suits against the state or political subdivisions; to provide for the rate of interest prior to judgment; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title; lies over under the rules.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 203—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE FRITH

AN ACT
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The bill was read by title; lies over under the rules.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 367—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 3:556.3(B)(4) and (E) and to repeal R.S. 3:556.3(B)(5), relative to the Louisiana Crawfish Promotion and Research Board; to provide for changes in membership of the board; to provide relative to vacancies; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title; lies over under the rules.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 418—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY

AN ACT
To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 3603.1(C), relative to protective orders; to require clerks of court to assist in the preparation of applications for protective orders in certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title; lies over under the rules.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 571—**
BY REPRESENTATIVE T. POWELL

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 3:472, 473, 474, 476, and 478(A), relative to the Louisiana Strawberry Marketing Board; to provide relative to definitions; to provide relative to membership and powers of the board; to provide for the powers of the commissioner of agriculture and forestry; to provide relative to assessments; to provide relative to penalties; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title; lies over under the rules.

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To enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 224(11), relative to contempt of court; to provide for constructive contempt of court for making a false statement of a material fact for support enforcement services; to provide for contempt of court for failing to disclose a material fact for support enforcement services; and to provide for related matters.

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The bill was read by title; lies over under the rules.

**Reports of Committees**

The following reports of committees were received and read:

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS**

Senator Holden, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations, submitted the following report:

March 31, 2004

To the President and Members of the Senate:
I am directed by your Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to submit the following report:

SENATE BILL NO. 276—
BY SENATOR ADLEY
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 33:1994(F), relative to minimum wages and maximum hours of firemen; to provide that the city of Bossier City may establish a work shift cycle in excess of forty-two hours weekly for operators of fire alarm systems; to provide for overtime hours and pay for such operators; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
MELVIN "KIP" HOLDEN
Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Senator Ullo, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

SENATE BILL NO. 70—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 17:85.5, relative to naming a headstart and community center; to authorize the parish school board in certain parishes to name a headstart and community center in honor of a former educator and community leader; to provide limitations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 136—
BY SENATOR FIELDS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3911(B)(1)(k) and to enact R.S. 17:3911(B)(1)(I), (m), (n), (o), and (p), relative to school accountability; to provide for the release of certain school or district level data; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 238—
BY SENATOR DARDENNE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 17:2005(A) and (C), relative to annual report issued by the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges; to make certain changes to the content of the report and the time period for reporting; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
CHRIS ULLO
Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAYS, AND PUBLIC WORKS

Senator Ellington, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works, submitted the following report:

SENATE BILL NO. 483—
BY SENATOR ULLO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 25:380.72(C), relative to the Jean Lafitte Marine Fisheries Museum; to provide relative to the qualifications for members of the museum board; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 542—
BY SENATOR ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVE CRANE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 17:7.1 (A)(4)(a), relative to teacher certification; to provide that applicants for teacher certification complete a prescribed number of semester hours in the teaching of reading as established by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 617—
BY SENATOR ULLO
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 17:3129.7, relative to the Board of the Regents; to require the development and maintenance of a state student financial aid plan; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 629—
BY SENATOR ULLO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 43:111(C) and (D)(1), relative to prohibitions on and authorizations for expending public funds for advertising by public agencies; to authorize the Board of Regents to expend such funds to advertise to promote Master Plan goals; to authorize postsecondary learning centers to expend a specific budgetary portion on advertising; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
CHRIS ULLO
Chairman
I am directed by your Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to submit the following report:

**SENATE BILL NO. 12**
**BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 48:1002(A), relative to ferries; to provide for the period of appropriation of state funds for operation and maintenance of the Monkey Island Ferry located in Cameron Parish; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

**SENATE BILL NO. 17**
**BY SENATOR B. GAUTREAUX**
**AN ACT**
To designate Louisiana Highway 1013 located in Assumption Parish as "Reedy Road"; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

**SENATE BILL NO. 18**
**BY SENATORS MCFHERSON AND ELLINGTON**
**AN ACT**
To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 28 East located in central Louisiana as "Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway;" and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

**SENATE BILL NO. 24**
**BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 48:1002(A) and (B)(1), relative to the Monkey Island Ferry; to rename the Monkey Island Ferry located in Cameron Parish to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Ferry; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

**SENATE BILL NO. 267**
**BY SENATORS ULLO, HAINKEL, HOLLIS AND LENTINI, AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, ANSARDI, BOWLER, DAMICO, LABRUZZO, LANCASTER, MARTINY, SCALISE, SHEPHERD, TOOMY AND WOOTON**
**AN ACT**
To rename the Lafitte Larose Boulevard to the Leo Kerner/Lafitte Parkway in Jefferson Parish; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

**SENATE BILL NO. 269**
**BY SENATOR CAIN**
**AN ACT**
To re-designate a portion of U. S. 90 in Calcasieu Parish as the “Veterans Memorial Highway 90”.

Reported favorably.

**SENATE BILL NO. 496**
**BY SENATOR SCHEDLER**
**AN ACT**
To name a portion of Interstate 10 from the Mississippi State Line as the Stephen E. Ambrose Memorial Highway; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

NOBLE E. ELLINGTON
Chairman

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

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

March 31, 2004

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 128**
**BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1498(A), relative to the Fire Protection District No. 7 of Vermilion Parish; to provide with respect to compensation for certain officers of the governing board; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

**SENATE BILL NO. 129**
**BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN**
**AN ACT**
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9055(B), relative to the Cameron Parish Ambulance Service District No. 2; to provide with respect to the board membership; to increase the membership on the board from five members to six members; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

**SENATE BILL NO. 133**
**BY SENATOR FIELDS**
**AN ACT**
To enact Part III of Chapter 29 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statute of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 33:9097.1, relative to crime prevention and security districts in East Baton Rouge Parish; to create the Concord Estates Crime Prevention District; to provide relative to the purposes, governance, duties, and authority of the district; to authorize the governing authority of East Baton Rouge Parish to submit to district voters to impose a parcel fee within the district; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.
Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 212—
BY SENATOR DUPRE AND REPRESENTATIVES BALDONE AND DOVE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:130.251, 130.252(A)(1), (2), (3) and (D) and (E), 130.253(B), and (C), the introductory paragraph of 130.255(A) and (A)(3), (4), (6), and (9), 130.256, 130.257(A), the introductory paragraph of 130.257(B), (B)(1)(c) and (2)(b), 130.258(A) and (B)(1) through (7), and 130.259 through 130.261, and to enact R.S. 33:130.252(A)(2)(d) and (e) and 130.257(A)(2), relative to the Terrebonne Economic Development District; to change the name of the district; to provide for the membership of the board; to provide additional sources of funding and the method of usage of such funds; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 218—
BY SENATOR FIELDS
AN ACT
To enact Part III of Chapter 29 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statute of 1950, comprised of R.S. 33:9097.1, relative to crime prevention and security districts in East Baton Rouge Parish, to create the South Burbank Crime Prevention and Development District; to provide relative to the purposes, governance, duties, and authority of the district; to authorize the governing authority of East Baton Rouge Parish, subject to the approval of district voters, to impose a parcel fee within the district and to provide relative to such fee; to provide relative to funds of the district; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works. On motion of Senator Ellington, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 480—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4574(A)(2)(o) and 4574.1-A(A)(1)(o), relative to tourist commissions; to provide for the territorial composition of the Jefferson Davis Parish Tourist Commission; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 545—
BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4701(A) and 4702(B)(1), (2)(b), (f), (g), (h), and (i), and (4), and (C)(1), 4703(A), 4706(B), 4707(A)(1) and (4), 4708(A), (B)(2) and (4) and 4880, and to enact R.S. 33:4702(B)(2)(j) and (k), and to rename Part I of Chapter 12-A of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, “New Orleans Regional Business Park,” relative to the New Orleans Business and Industrial District; to change the name of the district; to provide for the composition of the board; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
On page 1, at the end of line 8, add as follows: "The Department of Transportation and Development shall erect appropriate signage to reflect the naming of that portion of Louisiana Highway 28 East."

On motion of Senator Ellington, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 24—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 48:1002(A) and (B)(1), relative to the Monkey Island Ferry; to rename the Monkey Island Ferry located in Cameron Parish to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Ferry; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works. On motion of Senator Ellington, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 70—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 17:85.5, relative to naming a headstart and community center; to authorize the parish school board in certain parishes to name a headstart and community center in honor of a former educator and community leader; to provide limitations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 70 by Senator Theunissen

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 15, change "finished as" to "graduated"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 17, change "high school" to "High School" and after "and" insert "for"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, line 2, change "high school" to "High School"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 2, at the end of line 3, change "high" to "High" and at the beginning of line 4, change "school" to "School"

On motion of Senator Ullo, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 128—
BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1498(A), relative to the Fire Protection District No. 7 of Vermilion Parish; to provide with respect to compensation for certain officers of the governing board; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs. On motion of Senator Fields, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 129—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9055(B), relative to the Cameron Parish Ambulance Service District No. 2; to provide with respect to the board membership; to increase the membership on the board from five members to six members; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs. On motion of Senator Fields, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 133—
BY SENATOR FIELDS
AN ACT
To enact Part III of Chapter 29 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statute of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 33:9097.1, relative to crime prevention and security districts in East Baton Rouge Parish; to create the Concord Estates Crime Prevention District; to provide relative to the purposes, governance, duties, and authority of the district; to authorize the governing authority of East Baton Rouge Parish, subject to the approval of district voters; to impose a parcel fee within the district and to provide relative to such fee; to provide relative to funds of the district; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 133 by Senator Fields

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 4, at the end of line 15, change "an" to "a regularly scheduled primary or general"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 4, delete lines 22 through 24 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 4, at the beginning of line 25, change "(c)" to "(b)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 4, line 26, after "Subsection" insert a period "." and delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 27 through 28 in their entirety and at the beginning of line 29, delete "election."

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 5, delete lines 2 and 3 and insert in lieu thereof the following: "(4) The fee shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as ad valorem taxes are collected by the sheriff, as ex officio tax collector, of East Baton Rouge Parish. The sheriff shall collect and remit to the district all amounts collected not more than sixty days after collection. He shall retain the same commissions as he receives for the collection of ad valorem taxes."
AMENDMENT NO. 6
On page 5, delete lines 7 through 9 in their entirety

On motion of Senator Fields, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 136—
BY SENATOR FIELDS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3911(B)(1)(k) and to enact R.S. 17:3911(B)(1)(l), (m), (n), (o), and (p), relative to school accountability; to provide for the release of certain school or district level data; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education. On motion of Senator Ullo, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 212—
BY SENATOR DUPRE AND REPRESENTATIVES BALDONE AND DOVE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:130.251, 130.252(A)(1), (2), (3) and (D) and (E), 130.253(B) and (C), the introductory paragraph of 130.255(A) and (A)(3), (4), (6), and (9), 130.256, 130.257(A), the introductory paragraph of 130.257(B), (B)(1)(c) and (2)(b), 130.258(A) and (B)(1) through (7), and 130.259 through 130.261, and to enact R.S. 33:130.252(A)(2)(d) and (e) and 130.257(A)(2), relative to the Terrebonne Economic Development District; to change the name of the district; to provide for the membership of the board; to provide additional sources of funding and the method of usage of such funds; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 212 by Senator Dupre

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, at the beginning of line 3, before "comprised" insert "to"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 5, line 4, change "district," to "district;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 5, line 5, after "(a)" change "exceed" to "Exceed"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 5, line 6, after "structure" delete the remainder of the line and insert a period "."

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 5, line 7, after "(b)" change "exceed" to "Exceed"

On motion of Senator Fields, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 218—
BY SENATOR FIELDS
AN ACT
To enact Part III of Chapter 29 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statute of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 33:9097.1, relative to crime prevention and security districts in East Baton Rouge Parish, to create the South Burbank Crime Prevention and Development District; to provide relative to the purposes, governance, duties, and authority of the district; to authorize the governing authority of East Baton Rouge Parish, subject to the approval of district voters, to impose a parcel fee within the district and to provide relative to such fee; to provide relative to funds of the district; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 218 by Senator Fields

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, at the beginning of line 3, before "comprised" insert "to"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 5, line 4, change "district," to "district;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 5, line 5, after "(a)" change "exceed" to "Exceed"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 5, line 6, after "structure" delete the remainder of the line and insert a period "."

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 5, line 7, after "(b)" change "exceed" to "Exceed"

On motion of Senator Fields, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 238—
BY SENATOR DARDENNE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 17:2005(A) and (C), relative to an annual report issued by the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges; to make certain changes to the content of the report and the time period for reporting; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 238 by Senator Dardenne

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 2, after "relative to" insert "an"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 14, after "submitted to the" delete the remainder of the line, and delete line 15, and insert the following:

"Joint Committee on Education and the Joint Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations; standing committees on education and labor and industrial relations of the Senate and the House of Representatives. The report"
AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, delete line 17, and on page 2, delete line 1, and insert the following:

"(1) Cumulative enrollment.
(2) Number of terminations or dropouts."

On motion of Senator Ullo, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 267—
BY SENATORS ULLO, HAINKEL, HOLLIS, LENTINI, DUPRE AND HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARO, ANSARDI, BOWLER, DAMICO, LABRUZZO, LANCSTER, MARTINY, SCALISE, SHEPHERD, TOOMY, TUCKER AND WOOTON
AN ACT
To rename the Lafitte Larose Boulevard to the Leo Kerner/Lafitte Parkway in Jefferson Parish; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to Original Senate Bill No. 267 by Senator Ullo

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 8, after "reflect" insert "such name"

On motion of Senator Ellington, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 269—
BY SENATOR CAIN
AN ACT
To re-designate a portion of U. S. 90 in Calcasieu Parish as the "Veterans Memorial Highway 90."

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

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to Original Senate Bill No. 269 by Senator Ullo

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 2, change "name" to "designate"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 6, change "is hereby named" to "shall also be designated as"

On motion of Senator Ellington, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 276—
BY SENATOR ADLEY
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 33:1994(F), relative to minimum wages and maximum hours of firemen; to provide that the city of Bossier City may establish a work shift cycle in excess of forty-two hours weekly for operators of fire alarm systems; to provide for overtime hours and pay for such operators; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations. On motion of Senator Holden, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 480—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4574(A)(2)(o) and 4574.1-A(A)(1)(o), relative to tourist commissions; to provide for the territorial composition of the Jefferson Davis Parish Tourist Commission; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs. On motion of Senator Fields, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 483—
BY SENATOR ULLO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 25:380.72(C), relative to the Jean Lafitte Marine Fisheries Museum; to provide relative to the qualifications for members of the museum board; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education. On motion of Senator Ullo, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 496—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER
AN ACT
To designate a portion of Interstate 10 from the Mississippi State Line as the Stephen E. Ambrose Memorial Highway; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to Original Senate Bill No. 496 by Senator Schedler

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 2, change "name" to "designate"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 6, change "is hereby named" to "shall also be designated as"

On motion of Senator Ellington, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 542—
BY SENATOR ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVE CRANE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 17:7.1 (A)(4)(a), relative to teacher certification; to provide that applicants for teacher certification complete a prescribed number of semester hours in the teaching of reading as established by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; and to provide for related matters.
Reported favorably by the Committee on Education. On motion of Senator Ullo, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 545—
BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4701(A) and 4702(B)(1), (2)(b), (f), (g), (h), and (i), and (4), and (C)(1), 4703(A), 4706(B), 4707(A)(1) and (4), 4708(A), (B)(2) and (4) and 4880, and to enact R.S. 33:4702(B)(2)(j) and (k), and to rename Part I of Chapter 12-A of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, “New Orleans Regional Business Park,” relative to the New Orleans Business and Industrial District; to change the name of the district; to provide for the composition of the board; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original Senate Bill No. 545 by Senator Duplessis

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 13, after “and (k)” change “is” to “are” and after “enacted, and” insert “the”

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, line 26, after “Orleans” insert “Chamber”

On motion of Senator Fields, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 617—
BY SENATOR ULLO
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 17:3129.7, relative to the Board of the Regents; to require the development and maintenance of a state student financial aid plan; to provide relative to legislative review and approval; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 617 by Senator Ullo

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 3, after “plan;” insert “to provide relative to legislative review and approval;”

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 15, after “Education.” insert “Prior to the implementation of such recommendations, they shall be reviewed and approved by the Senate Committee on Education and the House Committee on Education.”

On motion of Senator Ullo, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 629—
BY SENATOR ULLO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 43:111(C), relative to prohibitions on and authorizations for expending public funds for advertising by public agencies; to authorize the Board of Regents to expend such funds to advertise to promote Master Plan goals and promote service and programs offered by learning centers; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 629 by Senator Ullo

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 2, after “R.S. 43:111(C)” delete “and (D)(1)”

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 5, after “goals” delete the remainder of the line and delete line 6, and insert the following “and promote service and programs offered by learning centers; and to provide for related matters.”

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, line 8, after “R.S. 43:111(C)” delete “and (D)(1) are” and insert “is”

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 1, line 14, after “number of” delete “the” and insert “other”

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 2, at the end of line 2, delete “and”

AMENDMENT NO. 6
On page 2, line 4, after “Education” insert “and (4) promote the services and programs offered by learning centers”

AMENDMENT NO. 7
On page 2, delete lines 5 through 14 in their entirety

On motion of Senator Ullo, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

Rules Suspended

Senator Bajoie asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of taking up at this time.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17—**
**BY SENATOR ROMERO**

A RESOLUTION
To urge and request the governor to include within the budget an amount of not less than three hundred thousand dollars to assist Louisiana shrimpers in their efforts with the Southern Shrimp Alliance.

On motion of Senator Bajoie, the resolution was read by title and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 18—**
**BY SENATOR LENTINI**

A RESOLUTION
To amend and readopt Senate Rule No. 10.9 of the Rules of Order of the Senate, relative to referral of resolutions calling for the election of certain officers of the Senate; and to delete the requirement of referral to committee.

On motion of Senator Bajoie, the resolution was read by title and referred to the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19—**
**BY SENATOR JONES**

A RESOLUTION
To amend and readopt Senate Rule 4.1 of the Rules of Order of the Senate, relative to senate employees; to provide for oversight of senate employee salary and compensation by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Bajoie, the resolution was read by title and referred to the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 20—**
**BY SENATOR ROMERO**

A RESOLUTION
To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana on the death of Vincent "V.J." St. Blanc, Jr.

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 42—**
**BY SENATOR SMITH**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to use treated wood posts to support roadside signage and to investigate how the department may use more wood products in the maintenance and construction of Louisiana's highways.

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 43—**
**BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Department of Health and Hospitals to adopt by rule a procedure for an expedited Medicaid application process.

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 44—**
**BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To memorialize the Congress of the United States to authorize state and national banks to participate in lotteries and related activities for charitable purposes.

On motion of Senator Bajoie, the resolution was read by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45—**
**BY SENATOR ROMERO**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commemorate the life of Private First Class Houston D. Duhon who died serving his state and his country on June 6, 1944, during the D-Day invasion of Normandy and to record for posterity the enduring appreciation and gratitude of the members of the Louisiana Legislature for his courage and heroism.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

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Duplessis Jackson Theunissen
Dupre Jones Ullo
Total—36

NAYS
Total—0

ABSENT
Adley Cravins Schedler
Total—3

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

Motion to Recommit

Senator McPherson asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules and recommitted Senate Bill No. 418 from the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

Motion to Recommit

Senator Dardenne asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules and recommitted Senate Bill No. 586 from the Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs.

Rules Suspended

Senator Bajoie asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of taking up at this time.

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

April 5, 2004

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. 73—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BRUCE AND SALTER AND SENATOR CHEEK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend the participants in the one hundred fortieth anniversary reenactment of the battles of Mansfield and Pleasant Hill on April 3 and April 4, 2004.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 74—
BY REPRESENTATIVES FLAVIN, FRITH, GEYMANN, E. GUILLOY, HILL, JOHNS, AND MORRISH AND SENATORS CAIN, MOUNT, AND THEUNISSEN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend Mr. Archie Heckard of Lake Charles for his contributions to McNeese State University upon the occasion of his retirement after thirty-nine years of service.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 75—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCVEA
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize the one hundred fiftieth anniversary of the dedication of Jackson United Methodist Church.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 66—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BRUCE AND SALTER AND SENATOR CHEEK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend the participants in the one hundred fortieth anniversary reenactment of the battles of Mansfield and Pleasant Hill on April 3 and April 4, 2004, and to recognize their efforts on behalf of the preservation of Mansfield State Historic Site.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 67—
BY REPRESENTATIVES KENNEY AND FAUCHEUX
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of former Louisiana First Lady Marjorie F. McKeithen.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN AND SENATOR B. GAUTREAUX
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To declare March 31, 2004, as Kick Butts Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and commend Peers Against Tobacco.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 70—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend John David Hough upon attaining certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and to recognize his singular contributions to education in Jackson Parish.

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

House Concurrent Resolutions

Senator Bajoie 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:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 66—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BRUCE AND SALTER AND SENATOR CHEEK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend the participants in the one hundred fortieth anniversary reenactment of the battles of Mansfield and Pleasant Hill on April 3 and April 4, 2004, and to recognize their efforts on behalf of the preservation of Mansfield State Historic Site.
The resolution was read by title. Senator Cheek moved to concur in the House Concurrent Resolution.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS
Mr. President    Ellington
Amedee          Fields
Bajoie          Lentini
Barham          Malone
Boasso          Marionneaux
Boissiere       McPherson
Cain            Michot
Chaisson       Mount
Cheek           Nevers
Dardenne       Smith
Duplessis      Theunissen
Dupre          Ullo
Total—36

NAYS
Total—0

ABSENT
Adley            Cravins
                Schedler
Total—3

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 67—
BY REPRESENTATIVES KENNEY AND FAUCHEUX
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of former Louisiana First Lady Marjorie F. McKeithen.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS
Mr. President    Ellington
Amedee          Fields
Bajoie          Fontenot
Barham          Gautreaux, B
Boasso          Gautreaux, N
Boissiere       Hainkel
Cain            Heitmeier
Chaisson       Holden
Cheek           Hollis
Dardenne       Irons
Duplessis      Jackson
Dupre          Jones
Total—36

NAYS
Total—0

ABSENT
Adley            Cravins
                Schedler
Total—3

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN AND SENATOR B. GAUTREAUX
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To declare March 31, 2004, as Kick Butts Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and commend Peers Against Tobacco.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS
Mr. President    Ellington
Amedee          Fields
Bajoie          Fontenot
Barham          Gautreaux, B
Boasso          Gautreaux, N
Boissiere       Hainkel
Cain            Heitmeier
Chaisson       Holden
Cheek           Hollis
Dardenne       Irons
Duplessis      Jackson
Dupre          Jones
Total—36

NAYS
Total—0

ABSENT
Adley            Cravins
                Schedler
Total—3

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 70—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend John David Hough upon attaining certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and to recognize his singular contributions to education in Jackson Parish.

The resolution was read by title. Senator Kostelka moved to concur in the House Concurrent Resolution.
ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President  Ellington  Kostelka
Amedee  Fields  Lentini
Bajoie  Fontenot  Malone
Barham  Gautreaux, B  Marionneaux
Boasso  Gautreaux, N  McPherson
Boissiere  Haukel  Michot
Cain  Heimeier  Mount
Chaisson  Holden  Nevers
Cheek  Hollis  Romero
Dardenne  Irons  Smith
Duplessis  Jackson  Theunissen
Dupre  Jones  Ullo
Total—36

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 74—
BY REPRESENTATIVES FLAVIN, FRITH, GEYMANN, E.  GUILLORY, HILL, JOHNS, AND MORRISH AND SENATORS CAIN, MOUNT, AND THEUNISSEN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend Mr. Archie Heckard of Lake Charles for his contributions to McNeese State University upon the occasion of his retirement after thirty-nine years of service.

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

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President  Ellington  Kostelka
Amedee  Fields  Lentini
Bajoie  Fontenot  Malone
Barham  Gautreaux, B  Marionneaux
Boasso  Gautreaux, N  McPherson
Boissiere  Haukel  Michot
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Dardenne  Irons  Smith
Duplessis  Jackson  Theunissen
Dupre  Jones  Ullo
Total—36

NAYS

Adley  Cravins  Schedler
Total—3

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 75—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCEVA
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize the one hundred fiftieth anniversary of the dedication of Jackson United Methodist Church.

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

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President  Ellington  Kostelka
Amedee  Fields  Lentini
Bajoie  Fontenot  Malone
Barham  Gautreaux, B  Marionneaux
Boasso  Gautreaux, N  McPherson
Boissiere  Hainkel  Michot
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Cheek  Hollis  Romero
Dardenne  Irons  Smith
Duplessis  Jackson  Theunissen
Dupre  Jones  Ullo
Total—36

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Adley  Cravins  Schedler
Total—3

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

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. 303—
BY SENATOR HOLDEN

AN ACT
To amend and reenact that part of Section 9(B)(14) of Act 1134 of the 2003 Regular Session of the Legislature which is applicable to the allocation and distribution of funds in East Baton Rouge Parish, relative to the Revenue Sharing Fund; to provide with respect to certain distributions in East Baton Rouge Parish for Fiscal Year 2003-2004; to provide for the retroactive application of this Act; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President  Dupre  Jones
Amedee  Ellington  Kostelka
Bajoie  Fontenot  Lentini
Barham  Gautreaux, B  Marionneaux
The Chair declared the amended bill was passed. The title was read and adopted. Senator Dardenne moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 504—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 36:8(B)(1) and to enact R.S. 36:8(B)(2)(f), relative to fiscal oversight and program evaluation; to provide for certain annual reporting requirements; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President
Amedee
Bajoie
Barham
Boasso
Boissiere
Cain
Chaisson
Cheek
Dardenne
Duplessis
Dupre
Total—36

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Adley
Cravins
Total—3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 505—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 39:98.3(A), relative to certain funds derived from the tobacco settlement; to provide with respect to actual earnings from interest, dividends, and capital gains in the Millennium Trust; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Heitmeier moved the final passage of the bill.
ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Ellington Lentini
Amedee Fields Marionneaux
Bajoie Fontenot McPherson
Barham Gautreaux, B Michot
Boasso Gautreaux, N Mount
Boissiere Heitmeier Nevers
Cain Holden Romero
Chaisson Hollis Theunissen
Cheek Irons Ullo
Dardenne Jackson
Duplessis Jones
Dupre Kostelka
Total—34

NAYS

Hainkel Malone
Total—2

ABSENT

Adley Cravins Schedler
Total—3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 506—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 17:421.7(A), relative to the Support Education in Louisiana First Fund; to provide monies remaining in the fund to retain their allocation as provided by law; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Ellington Lentini
Amedee Fields Marionneaux
Bajoie Fontenot McPherson
Barham Gautreaux, B Michot
Boasso Gautreaux, N Mount
Boissiere Heitmeier Nevers
Cain Holden Romero
Chaisson Hollis Theunissen
Cheek Irons Ullo
Dardenne Jackson
Duplessis Jones
Dupre Kostelka
Total—36

NAYS

Cain
Total—0

ABSENT

Adley Cravins Schedler
Total—3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 508—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 39:99.5(C), relative to the Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation; to provide relative to meetings of the board; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Ellington Lentini
Amedee Fields Malone
Bajoie Fontenot Marionneaux
Barham Gautreaux, B McPherson
Boasso Gautreaux, N
Boissiere Hainkel Michot
Cain Heitmeier Mount
Chaisson Holden Nevers
Cheek Hollis Smith
Dardenne Jackson Theunissen
Duplessis Jones Ullo
Total—36

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Adley Cravins Schedler
Total—3

The Chair declared the bill was passed. The title was read and adopted. Senator Heitmeier moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.
SENATE BILL NO. 509—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES
ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 42:461, relative to payroll withholdings; to provide for
payment of employee compensation; to provide for an effective
date; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Ellington Kostelka
Amedee Fields Lentini
Bajoie Fontenot Malone
Barham Gautreaux, B Marionneaux
Boasso Gautreaux, N McPherson
Boissiere Heitmeier Mount
Cain Heitmeier
Chaisson Hold
Cheek Hollis
Dardenne
duplessis
Dupre
Total—36

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Adley Cravins Schedler
Total—3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 524—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES
ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 33:108, 131, 135, and 136, R.S.
38:90.4(B)(1) and (2), R.S. 39:21.3(A)(2)(b), (B)(2)(b),
(C)(2)(b), (D)(2)(b), (E)(2)(b), and (F)(2)(b), and R.S.
56:1845(C), 1846(A), and 1849(B), all relative to the state
planning office/division of administration; to provide with
respect to the organization of the division of administration; to
correct references to the state planning office; and to provide for
related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Lentini sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Lentini on behalf of the
Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 524 by Senator
Heitmeier

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, lines 2 and 9, following "135" and before "," insert "(1)
(introductory paragraph) and (2)"

On motion of Senator Lentini, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Ellington Kostelka
Amedee Fields Lentini
Bajoie Fontenot Malone
Barham Gautreaux, B Marionneaux
Boasso Gautreaux, N McPherson
Boissiere Hainkel Michot
Cain Heitmeier Mount
Chaisson Hold
Cheek Hollis
Dardenne
duplessis
Dupre
Total—36

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Adley Cravins Schedler
Total—3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 53—
BY SENATOR SMITH
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 9:334(A)(4), relative to child custody; to
provide relative to the qualifications of mediators in such
proceedings; to expand the authorization for judges meeting
certain criteria to serve as such mediators to include all judges of
the state; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS
Mr. President Ellington Kostelka
Amedee Fields Lentini
Bajoie Fontenot Malone
Barham Gautreaux, B Marionneaux
Boasso Gautreaux, N McPherson
Boissiere Hainkel Michot
Cain Heitmeier Mount
Chaisson Holden Nevers
Cheek Hollis Romero
Dardenne Irons Smith
Duplessis Jackson Theunissen
Dupre Jones Ullo
Total—36

NAYS
Total—0

ABSENT
Adley Cravins Schedler
Total—3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 55—
BY SENATOR JONES
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 18:464(A) and 1280.22(A), relative to elections; to provide for payment of qualifying fee by means of a certified or cashier's check or a money order issued by a credit union; and to provide for related matters.
The bill was read by title. Senator Jones moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS
Mr. President Ellington Kostelka
Amedee Fields Lentini
Bajoie Fontenot Malone
Barham Gautreaux, B Marionneaux
Boasso Gautreaux, N McPherson
Boissiere Hainkel Michot
Cain Heitmeier Mount
Chaisson Holden Nevers
Cheek Hollis Romero
Dardenne Irons Smith
Duplessis Jackson Theunissen
Dupre Jones Ullo
Total—36

NAYS
Total—0

ABSENT
Adley Cravins Schedler
Total—3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 65—
BY SENATOR FIELDS AND REPRESENTATIVE BOWLER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact Civil Code Articles 90, 891, 1243, 1352, 1724, and 3506(8); Code of Civil Procedure Articles 683(B) and (C), 732(B) and (C), 1732(3) and 4061.1(A)(3) and (C); Children's Code Articles 1106(A), (B), (C), and (D), 1107.5(E)(3)(a), 1132(A), 1141(A)(3), 1193(2) and (4), 1244(B) and (C), and 1281.3(5); Code of Evidence Articles 803(9), (11), and (19), and 804(B)(4)(a); R.S. 9:392(B), 398.2(A)(2) and (F), and 400(A)(6); R.S. 11:403(19), 701(19), 1732(20), 2178(E)(3), 3113(5)(a) and (b), and 3166(E)(2), R.S. 13:2561.4, 2562.4, and 2563.2(B), R.S. 14:78(B), R.S. 17:1685(F), R.S. 23:1021(3), R.S. 29:293(A), R.S. 33:1947(C)(2), R.S. 40:34(B)(1)(a)(iv) and (vii), (B) (1)(h)(vi), and (E)(1), 40(8) and (11), 41(B), 46(A), 46.1(B)(2), and R.S. 46:1802(3); and to repeal R.S. 9:391, 9:400(A)(5), and R.S. 13:914.1, all relative to the status of children; to provide for the change in terminology from "illegitimate child" to "child born outside of marriage" and from "legitimate child" to "child born of marriage"; to provide for the definition of terms; to provide for the correction of cross-references; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Lenti sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senator Lenti on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 65 by Senator Fields

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 4, line 24, following "marriage" and before "parents" insert "of"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 8, line 21, following "born of" change "marriages" to "marriage is"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 20, line 10, following "R. S. 40:34(B)(1)(a)(iv) and" and before "," change ")(vii)) to ")(vii)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 22, line 28, following "born" and before "or" change "in" to "of"

On motion of Senator Lenti, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Fields sent up floor amendments which were read.
SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Fields to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 65 by Senator Fields

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 12, line 7, after “acknowledged” delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 8 and 9 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof "or filiated pursuant to the provisions of the Civil Code. Article 203 or if filiated pursuant to the provisions of Civil Code Article 209."

On motion of Senator Fields, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President
Amedee
Bajoie
Barham
Boasso
Boissiere
Cain
Chaisson
Cheek
Dardenne
Duplessis
Total—33

Kostelka
Ellington
Fields
Gautreaux, B
Heitmeyer
Holden
Hollis
Jackson
Jones

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Adley
Cravins

Fontenot
Hainkel

Total—6

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

SENATE BILL NO. 227—
BY SENATOR DARDENNE (On Recommendation of the La State Law Institute)

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 9:1149.5, 4521 (introductory paragraph), 4870(B)(introductory paragraph) and 4888(B)(introductory paragraph); R.S. 10-9-102(a)(2), (40), and (46), 9-107.1(b), 9-107.2, 9-109(d)(11)(C), 9-304(b)(1), 9-309(1), 9-311(b), 9-406(f)(introductory paragraph), 9-408(c)(introductory paragraph) and (d)(introductory paragraph), 9-409(a)(introductory paragraph), 9-501(a)(2), 9-513(a)(2) and (c)(introductory paragraph) and 9-516(a)(2); R.S. 32:706(D) and 710(F); and R.S. 39:1430.1, relative to security devices on movable property; to provide for uniformity between the Uniform Commercial Code and Louisiana law; to provide for definitions of account, fixture filings, and health-care-insurance-receivables; to provide for the consent of the beneficiary to a security interest life insurance policy; to provide for exercising control conditioned on default; to provide for the scope of fixture filings; to provide rules determining a bank’s jurisdiction; to provide for the relation of titled motor vehicles to provisions of commercial laws relative to secured transactions; to provide for restrictions on assignments; to provide for the place of filing, the need for filing termination statements, and for what constitutes filing; to provide for the relation of the oil and gas lien law to provisions of commercial laws relative to secured transactions; to provide for security devices on a manufactured home; to provide for security devices by public entities; to provide for the correction of citations; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 229—
BY SENATOR FIELDS

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1462(C) and to enact R.S. 18:1462(D)(3), relative to elections; to prohibit the intimidation of a person at a polling place on election day; to prohibit commissioners from carrying weapons while at the polling place; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Fields sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Fields to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 229 by Senator Fields

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, line 2, after “possesses a” change “weapon” to “firearm”

On motion of Senator Fields, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Fields moved final passage of the amended bill.
ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President  Fields          Kostelka
Bajoie         Gautreaux, B     Lentini
Boissiere      Gautreaux, N     McPherson
Chaisson       Heitmeier        Mount
Cheek          Holden           Nevers
Dardenne       Hollis           Theunissen
Duplessis      Irons            Ullo
Dupre          Jackson          Jones
Ellington      Jones
Total—25

NAYS

Amedee         Fontenot         Michot
Barham         Hainkel          Romero
Boasso         Malone           Smith
Cain           Marionneaux      
Total—11

ABSENT

Adley          Cravins          Schedler
Total—3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 427—
BY SENATOR JONES

AN ACT
To enact R.S. 49:149.18, relative to public buildings; to provide for naming of state buildings; to require that all names for state public buildings be confirmed by the Senate; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President  Ellington        Lentini
Amedee        Fields            Malone
Bajoie        Fontenot         Marionneaux
Barham        Gautreaux, B     McPherson
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Cain          Heitmeier        Nevers
Chaisson      Holden           Romero
Cheek         Hollis           Smith
Total—35

NAYS

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ABSENT

Adley         Michot
Lentini       Schedler
Total—4

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

SENATE BILL NO. 668—
BY SENATOR HOLLIS

AN ACT
To enact R.S. 6:418.1, relative to financial institutions; to provide that only chartered financial institutions may accept, pay, or hold deposits; to provide for criminal penalties and fines; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President  Dupre            Jones
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Total—37

NAYS

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ABSENT

Adley         Michot
Lentini       Schedler
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The Chair declared the bill was passed. The title was read and adopted. Senator Hollis moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.
SENATE BILL NO. 682—
BY SENATOR HOLLIS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 6:1002, 1009, and 1012 and to repeal R.S. 6:1003 through 1008, 1010, 1011, and 1013 through 1016, relative to the Louisiana Check-Cashing Law; to repeal licensing and bonding requirements; to repeal certain civil penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 706—
BY SENATOR HOLLIS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3573.4(A) and (B) and to repeal R.S. 9:3573.2(B)(1) and 3573.14(B), relative to the Credit Repair Services Organization Act; to remove exemptions for certain corporations and associations; to provide for bonding; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

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

SENATE BILL NO. 725—
BY SENATOR HOLLIS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1782 and 1787(A)(4) and (D) and to enact R.S. 37:1787(F), relative to pawnbrokers; to provide for definitions; to provide for license eligibility; to provide for license revocation; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Lentini sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Lentini on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 725 by Senator Hollis

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 3, line 22, following "Have" and before "net" delete "a"

On motion of Senator Lentini, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Hollis sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Hollis to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 725 by Senator Hollis

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 4, line 14, between "Section" and the period ".", insert the following: ", unless the pawnbroker requests an administrative hearing in writing within thirty days of receipt of the commissioner's notice. The commissioner shall promptly forward the request for hearing to the division of administrative law with a copy of the above notice to the pawnbroker. The administrative hearing shall be conducted within ninety days of the date the request for hearing is received by the division of administrative law, unless it is continued for good cause at the request of either party"

On motion of Senator Hollis, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

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

### Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage, Subject to Call

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

#### Called from the Calendar

Senator Dardenne asked that Senate Bill No. 227 be called from the Calendar at this time for its final passage.

**SENATE BILL NO. 227—**

*BY SENATOR DARDEENNE (On Recommendation of the La State Law Institute)*

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:1149.5, 4521 (introductory paragraph), 4870(B)(introductory paragraph) and 4888(B)(introductory paragraph); R.S. 10:9-102(a)(2), (40), and (46), 9-107.1(b), 9-107.2, 9-109(d)(11)(C), 9-304(b)(1), 9-309(1), 9-311(b), 9-406(f)(introductory paragraph), 9-408(c)(introductory paragraph) and (d)(introductory paragraph), 9-409(a)(introductory paragraph), 9-501(a)(2), 9-513(a)(2) and (c)(introductory paragraph) and 9-516(a)(2); R.S. 32:706(D) and 710(F); and R.S. 39:1430.1, relative to security devices on movable property; to provide for uniformity between the Uniform Commercial Code and Louisiana law; to provide for definitions of account, fixture filings, and health-care-insurance-receivables; to provide for the consent of the beneficiary to a security interest life insurance policy; to provide for exercising control conditioned on default; to provide for the scope of fixture filings; to provide rules determining a bank's jurisdiction; to provide for the relation of titled motor vehicles to provisions of commercial laws relative to secured transactions; to provide for restrictions on assignments; to provide for the place of filing, the need for filing termination statements, and for what constitutes filing; to provide for the relation of the oil and gas lien law to provisions of commercial laws relative to secured transactions; to provide for security devices on a manufactured home; to provide for security devices by public entities; to provide for the correction of citations; and to provide for related matters.

#### Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Dardenne sent up floor amendments which were read.

### Senate Floor Amendments

Amendments proposed by Senator Dardenne to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 227 by Senator Dardenne

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 3, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

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(3) Security interests in collateral subject to the privilege that are perfected before the privilege is established or that are perfected by a financing statement covering the collateral filed before the privilege is established if there is no period thereafter when there is neither filing nor perfection.
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**AMENDMENT NO. 2**

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

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(4) Security interests in collateral subject to the privilege that are perfected before the privilege is established or that are perfected by a financing statement covering the collateral filed before the privilege is established if there is no period thereafter when there is neither filing nor perfection.
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On motion of Senator Dardenne, the amendments were adopted.

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

#### Roll Call

The roll was called with the following result:

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

Rules Suspended

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

Introduction of Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions

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

SENATE BILL NO. 749—
BY SENATOR CAIN AND REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:302.5, relative to sales tax proceeds; to provide for the distribution of certain state tax proceeds in Vernon Parish; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 750—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 42:455(A)(2)(b), relative to payroll deductions; to authorize certain domestic companies who post bond to participate in payroll deduction programs; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title; lies over under the rules.

Introduction of Senate Concurrent Resolutions

Senator Bajoie 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. 46—
BY SENATOR MCPHERSON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To create the Louisiana Task Force on Electronic Medical Records to study electronic prescribing and electronic medical records to improve the quality and safety of health care in this state.

The resolution was read by title; lies over under the rules.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47—
BY SENATOR HAINKEL
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To memorialize the Congress of the United States to continue to support and expand the operations of the National Finance Center in New Orleans, including the renewal of its contract with the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Ellington Lentini
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Barham Gautreaux, B McPherson
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NAYS

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ABSENT

Adley Schedler
Total—2

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

April 5, 2004

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE BILL NO. 40—
BY SENATOR MCPHERSON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 39:199(G), relative to information technology; to provide for a program for the acquisition of data processing equipment and software that allows small businesses to participate; to provide for the establishment of procedures; and to provide for related matters.
Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 493—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 46:2721 and to rename Chapter 56 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, relative to funds; to abolish the Medicaid School-Based Administrative Claiming Trust Fund; to provide for certain reimbursable claims to public schools; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 502—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 39:71(D), relative to appropriations; to authorize “seeding” funds for state agencies as needed under specific circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 507—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To repeal R.S. 39:1537(6), relative to risk management; to delete the requirement for certain information to be included in a report on the state’s risk management program; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANCIS C. HEITMEIER
Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS

Senator Mount, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, submitted the following report:

April 5, 2004

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to submit the following report:

SENATE BILL NO. 394—
BY SENATORS BARHAM AND MARIONNEAUX
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:712(1), relative to gasoline taxes; to provide that dyed diesel fuel be defined as a motor fuel; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 460—
BY SENATOR DUPRE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1703(A), relative to the homestead exemption; to require any taxpayer entitled to the homestead exemption to own and occupy the homestead before a certain date in the calendar year in which the exemption is claimed; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 530—
BY SENATOR IRONS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:120.71(B), relative to donations for the Louisiana Animal Welfare Commission; to provide that donations be immediately remitted to the Louisiana Animal Welfare Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 618—
BY SENATORS BARHAM AND MARIONNEAUX
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:712(1), relative to gasoline taxes; to provide that dyed diesel fuel be defined as a motor fuel; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIE MOUNT
Chairman

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
on Second Reading
Reported by Committees

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

SENATE BILL NO. 40—
BY SENATOR MCPHERSON
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 39:199(G), relative to information technology; to provide for a program for the acquisition of data processing equipment and software that allows small businesses to participate; to provide for the establishment of procedures; 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 Original Senate Bill No. 40 by Senator McPherson
4th DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

On page 1, line 13, between "and software." and "The commissioner" insert "For purposes of this Subsection, "small businesses" shall be defined by rule by the commissioner of administration."

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, at the end of line 5, insert "The commissioner of administration shall report to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget on the program established in this Subsection each year prior to the submission of the executive budget."

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, line 19, change “businesses” to “businesses’”

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 2, line 23, after “matters” insert “not inconsistent with the provisions of this Subsection”

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 2, line 24, delete “as consistent”

On motion of Senator Heitmeier, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 394—
BY SENATORS BARHAM AND MARIONNEAUX
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:712(1), relative to gasoline taxes; to provide that diesel fuel be defined as a motor fuel for certain tax purposes; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 394 by Senator Barham

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, delete lines 2 and 3 and insert:

"To enact R.S. 47:337.10(I), relative to taxation by political subdivisions; to provide for an exemption for diesel fuel; and to provide for related matters."

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, delete lines 5 through 11, and insert:

§337.10. Mandatory and optional exclusions and exemptions

R.S. 47:337.10(I) is all proposed new law.

(i) Political subdivisions are prohibited from levying a sales or use tax or any other excise tax on diesel fuel."

On motion of Senator Mount, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 460—
BY SENATOR DUPRE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1703(A), relative to the homestead exemption; to require any taxpayer entitled to the homestead exemption to own and occupy the homestead before a certain date in the calendar year in which the exemption is claimed; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 460 by Senator Dupre

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, at the end of line 9, delete the period “.” and insert:

"regardless of its homestead exemption status as of January 1 of the calendar year in which the homestead exemption is claimed."

On motion of Senator Mount, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 493—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 46:2721 and to rename Chapter 56 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, relative to funds; to abolish the Medicaid School-Based Administrative Claiming Trust Fund; to provide for certain reimbursable claims to public schools; 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 Original Senate Bill No. 493 by Senator Schedler

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 5, after “schools;” insert "to provide for an effective date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, line 1, between “fund” and “shall” insert “on the effective date of this Act”

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, line 2, change “state general fund” to “Department of Health and Hospitals for the reimbursement to public schools for administrative claiming“

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 3, line 12, change “Health Care Finance Administration” to “Health Care Finance Administration Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services”

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 3, line 15, change “Health Care Finance Administration” to “Health Care Finance Administration Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services”

AMENDMENT NO. 6
On page 3, after line 23, insert the following:

“Section 2. This Act shall become effective July 1, 2004; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2004, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.”

On motion of Senator Heitmeier, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 502—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 39:71(D), relative to appropriation s; to authorize “see ding” funds for state agencies as needed under specific circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Finance. On motion of Senator Heitmeier, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 507—
BY SENATORS HEITMEIER AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO AND SALTER
AN ACT
To repeal R.S. 39:1537(6), relative to risk management; to delete the requirement for certain information to be included in a report on the state’s risk management program; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Finance. On motion of Senator Heitmeier, the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 530—
BY SENATOR IRONS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:120.71(B), relative to donations for the Louisiana Animal Welfare Commission; to provide that donations be immediately remitted to the Louisiana Animal Welfare Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 530 by Senator Irons

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, delete lines 2 and 3 and insert: “To enact R.S. 47:337.10(I), relative to taxation by political subdivisions; to provide for an exemption for dyed diesel fuel; and to provide for related matters.”

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, delete lines 5 through 11, and insert:

“Section 1. R.S. 47:337.10(I) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§337.10. Mandatory and optional exclusions and exemptions

(I) Political subdivisions are prohibited from levying a sales or use tax or any other excise tax on dyed diesel fuel.”

On motion of Senator Mount, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

Rules Suspended

Senator Cravins asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of recalling Senate Bill No. 590 from the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs.

SENATE BILL NO. 590—
BY SENATOR CRAVINS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3578.4 and 3578.6(7) and to enact R.S. 9:3578.6(8), relative to the Louisiana Deferred Presentment and Small Loan Act; to provide for an increase in the maximum fee that may be charged on a deferred presentment transaction or small loan; to provide for other fees that may be charged by the licensee; to provide for prohibited acts by the licensee; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Cravins, the bill was read by title and ordered engrossed and withdrawn from the files of the Senate.
Motion to Recommit

Senator Michot asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules and recommitted Senate Bill No. 414 from the Committee on Judiciary A to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs.

Privilege Report of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs

ENROLLMENTS

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

April 5, 2004

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. 3—
BY SENATORS THEUNISSEN, BARHAM, CAIN, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, N. GAUTREAUX, HINES, SCHEDLER AND SMITH
A RESOLUTION
To designate April 27, 2004 as "FFA Day" at the legislature.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
A RESOLUTION
To express the support of the Louisiana Senate for and to encourage continued participation in the "America's Legislators Back to School Week" slated for September 20-24, 2004, sponsored by the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL).

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 5—
BY SENATORS MOUNT AND CAIN
A RESOLUTION
To commend the players, coaches, and trainers of the 2003-2004 Sulphur High School Boys Basketball Team on their attendance and performance at the Top 28 Boys High School Basketball Tournament.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 6—
BY SENATOR MOUNT
A RESOLUTION
To urge and request the Department of Revenue to study the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Taxpayer Advocate Service Program and the tax advocacy programs of other states and to report its findings and recommendations to the Louisiana Senate before the 2005 Regular Session convenes.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7—
BY SENATOR ELLINGTON
A RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate the employees of the procurement section of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for being honored with the Outstanding Agency Accreditation Achievement Award by the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8—
BY SENATOR SMITH
A RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend Donnie Sebren for his service as a member of the Board of Commissioners for the Sabine River Authority.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 9—
BY SENATOR SMITH
A RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend Randy Ziegler for his service as a member of the Board of Commissioners for the Sabine River Authority.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10—
BY SENATOR SMITH
A RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend Douglas McLaren for his service as a member of the Board of Commissioners for the Sabine River Authority.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 11—
BY SENATOR HOLDEN
A RESOLUTION
To acknowledge and support the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the landmark case of Brown v. Board of Education.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 12—
BY SENATOR HOLDEN
A RESOLUTION
To commend and congratulate Southern University Coach Pete Richardson, quarterback Quincy Richard, offensive tackle Myniya Smith, and offensive tackle Arnold Sims on receiving All-American awards by the Sheridan Broadcasting Network.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13—
BY SENATOR HINES
A RESOLUTION
To proclaim April 21, 2004 as American Cancer Society Day in the Louisiana Senate.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES D. JONES
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 Jones, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs, submitted the following report:

April 5, 2004

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 Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—
BY SENATORS SMITH AND DARDENNE AND REPRESENTATIVES FANNIN AND WALSWORTH
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Hartwell M. “Jerry” Doty, Jr., a prominent political consultant, public opinion specialist, and frequent speaker on Louisiana demography and government.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To continue the Governor’s Aviation Advisory Commission, as created by Senate Concurrent Resolution 78 of the 1997 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7—
BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN AND REPRESENTATIVE MORRISH
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend Clifford A. Friedman, superintendent of the Jefferson Davis School System, on the occasion of his retirement.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—
BY SENATOR HAINKEL AND REPRESENTATIVE BRUNEAU
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To designate February 6th, Ronald Reagan’s birthday as the annual "Ronald Reagan Day" in Louisiana.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11—
BY SENATORS HAINKEL, ADLEY, AMEDEE, BAJOIE, BARHAM, BOASO, BOISSIERE, CAIN, CHAISSON, CHEEK, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAUX, N. GAUTREAUX, HAINKEL, HEITMEIER, HOLDEN, HOLLIS, IRONS, JACKSON, JONES, KOSTELKA, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVE LABRUZZO
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana to the basketball program at Louisiana State University.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17—
BY SENATOR ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVE DAMICO
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and acknowledge the significant contributions of the community and technical colleges in Louisiana to the education and training of students and workers, and to designate the month of April as “Community and Technical College Month” in Louisiana.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18—
BY SENATOR KOSTELKA AND REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend Forrest Harvey for a lifetime of accomplishments and contributions as a volunteer for youth sports programs and for committed service to his community.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—
BY SENATOR KOSTELKA AND REPRESENTATIVE DOWNS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend the Group Study Exchange program of the Rotary Foundation, and its participants on its unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunities for young business and professional men and women, and to record their notable accomplishments and manifold contributions to professionalism in Louisiana and abroad, as well as the generous and admirable way in which they devote their energy and talents to the full development of making professional men and women into informed, capable, and productive citizens.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—
BY SENATORS CAIN, ADLEY, AMEDEE, BAJOIE, BARHAM, BOASO, BOISSIERE, CHAISSON, CHEEK, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAUX, N. GAUTREAUX, HAINKEL, HEITMEIER, HOLDEN, HOLLIS, IRONS, JACKSON, JONES, KOSTELKA, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVE KENNARD
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To recognize and commend living legend, Dale Brown, for twenty-five years of service to the basketball program at Louisiana State University and to honor his many contributions to the university.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32—
BY SENATORS HINES, ADLEY, AMEDEE, BAJOIE, BARHAM, BOASO, BOISSIERE, CAIN, CHAISSON, CHEEK, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAUX, N. GAUTREAUX, HAINKEL, HEITMEIER, HOLDEN, HOLLIS, IRONS, JACKSON, JONES, KOSTELKA, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BADON, BALDONE, BAUDON, BAYLOR, HEARD, BOWLER, BROOME, BRUCE, BRUNEAU, BURNS, BURRELL, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTZE, DEWITT, DOERGE, DORSEY, DOVE, DOWNS, DURAND, EIDEL, FANNING, FARRAR, FALCHUCK, FLAVIN, FRITH, FUTRELL, GALLOW, GEYMANN, GLOVER, GRAY, E. GUILLO, HAMMETT, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HOPKINS, HUDSON, HUNTER, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNARD, Kinney, LABRIZZO, LAFEUL, LAMBERT, LANCASTER, MARCHAND, MARTIN, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MURRELL, MURRISH, MURRAY, OJINET, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, M. POWELL, T. POWELL, QUEZER, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROMERO, SALTER, SCALISE, SCHNIDER, SHEPHERD, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRAHAN, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALKER, WALKSORTH, WHITE, WINSTON, WOOTTON AND WRIGHT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Mrs. Marjorie Howell Funderburk McKeithen, former first lady to the late Governor John McKeithen and mother of Secretary of State Fox McKeithen.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES D. JONES
Chairman

The foregoing Senate Concurrent Resolutions were signed by the President of the Senate.
Message from the House

SIGNED HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

April 5, 2004

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Speaker of the House of Representatives has signed the following House Concurrent Resolutions:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HONEY, ALARIO, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BADON, BALDONE, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BROOME, BRUENEAU, BURRELL, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEWITT, DORSEY, DOVE, DOWNS, DURAND, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, FUTRELL, GALLOW, GLOVER, GRAY, E. GUILLOY, M. GUILLOY, HAMMETT, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HOPKINS, HUDSON, HUNTER, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JOHNS, KENNEY, LABRUZZO, LAMBERT, MARCHAND, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MURRAY, ODINET, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, M. POWELL, T. POWELL, QUEZAI, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROMERO, SALER, SCHNEIDER, SHEPHERD, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRICHE, WADDELL, WHITE, WINSTON, AND WRIGHT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To honor the Southern University students who participated in the historic 1960 lunch counter sit-ins upon their being awarded honorary degrees by Southern University.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 60—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DOERGE, DURAND, ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BADON, BALDONE, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BROOME, BRUENEAU, BURNS, BURRELL, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEWITT, DORSEY, DOVE, DOWNS, ERDEY, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FLAVIN, FRITH, FUTRELL, GALLOW, GEMMANN, GLOVER, GRAY, E. GUILLOY, M. GUILLOY, HAMMETT, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HOPKINS, HUDSON, HUNTER, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, LABRUZZO, LAFLEUR, LAMBERT, LANCASTER, MARCHAND, MARTIN, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRISH, MURRAY, ODINET, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, M. POWELL, T. POWELL, QUEZAI, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROMERO, SALER, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SHEPHERD, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRAHAN, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALKE, WALSWORTH, WHITE, WINSTON, WOOTON, AND WRIGHT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend the office of state fire marshal, code enforcement and building safety for a century of dedicated service to the state of Louisiana and its people.

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Adley 1 Day  
Schelder 1 Day

Adjournment

Senator Bajoie moved that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, April 6, 2004, at 1:30 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned until 1:30 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday, April 6, 2004.

GLENN A. KOEPP  
Secretary of the Senate

GAYE F. HAMILTON  
Journal Clerk