Thursday, March 3, 2016
The Senate was called to order at 3:35 o'clock P.M. by Hon. John A. Alario Jr., President of the Senate.

Morning Hour

CONVENING ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Mr. President  Gatti  Peacock
Allain  Hewitt  Perry
Appel  Johns  Riser
Boudreaux  Lambert  Smith, G.
Carter  Long  Smith, J.
Chabert  Luneau  Tarver
Claitor  Martiny  Thompson
Colomb  Milkovich  Walsworth
Cortez  Mills  Ward
Donahue  Mizell  White
Erdey  Morrell
Fannin  Morrish
Total - 34

ABSENT

Barrow  Brown  Peterson
Bishop  LaFleur
Total - 5

The President of the Senate announced there were 34 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Senator Jack Donahue, following which the Senate joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Senator Luneau, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of March 3, 2016, was adopted.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS

Senator Jean-Paul "JP" Morrell, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, submitted the following report:

March 4, 2016

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 14—
BY REPRESENTATIVES LEGER, ADAMS, BAGNERIS, BOUIE, HOFFMANN, MACK, AND STOKES
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:841(B)(7), relative to the tobacco tax; to provide with respect to the rate of the tax levied on cigarettes; to increase the rate of the tax levied on cigarettes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 18—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTOUCET
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:843(B) and (C)(3) and 851(B)(4)(b), relative to state excise taxes; to provide relative to the discounts for the reporting and remitting of excise taxes on certain tobacco products; to provide relative to the discount for stamping cigarettes; to reduce the amount of the discounts for the reporting and remitting of excise taxes and the stamping of cigarettes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
JEAN-PAUL "JP" MORRELL
Chairman

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

Senator Morrell asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up House Bills and Joint Resolutions just reported by Committees.

HOUSE BILL NO. 14—
BY REPRESENTATIVES LEGER, ADAMS, BAGNERIS, BOUIE, HOFFMANN, MACK, AND STOKES
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:841(B)(7), relative to the tobacco tax; to provide with respect to the rate of the tax levied on cigarettes; to increase the rate of the tax levied on cigarettes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 18—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTOUCET
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:843(B) and (C)(3) and 851(B)(4)(b), relative to state excise taxes; to provide relative to the discounts for the reporting and remitting of excise taxes on certain tobacco products; to provide relative to the discount for stamping cigarettes; to reduce the amount of the discounts for the reporting and remitting of excise taxes and the stamping of cigarettes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.
SENATE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE

SENATE BILL NO. 25—
BY SENATOR CORTEZ
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:319, relative to state sales and use tax; to provide for a sunset date for sales and use tax exemptions and exclusions; to retain those exemptions and exclusions provided for in the Louisiana Constitution and in federal law; to provide for exemptions for purchases by state and local governments and purchases for resale; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments
Senator Martiny sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senator Martiny on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 25 by Senator Cortez

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, line 14, following "R.S." and before "301" insert "47:"

On motion of Senator Martiny, the amendments were adopted.

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

HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE

HOUSE BILL NO. 2—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BROADWATER, SHADONI, DAVIS, DEVILLIER, DWIGHT, HENSIEMS, HILFERTY, HORTON, HUVAL, JAMES, JAY MORRIS, JIM MORRIS, STOKES, THIBAUT, AND WILLMOTT
AN ACT
To repeal R.S. 47:6039, relative to tax credits; to repeal the Student Assessment for a Valuable Education (SAVE) credit program.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 87—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDERS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 22:832(A) and (C), relative to insurance premium tax; to provide for a reduction of the tax due in certain circumstances; to provide for the definition of a qualifying Louisiana investment; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Gatti Morrish
Allain Hewitt Peacock
Appel Johns Perry
Boudreaux LaFleur Peterson
Carter Lambert Riser
Chabert Long Smith, G.
Claitor Luneau Smith, J.
Colomb Martiny Tarver
Cortez Milkovich Thompson
Donahue Mills Walsworth

NAYS

Erdey Mizell Ward
Fannin Morrell White
Total - 36

ABSENT

Barrow Bishop Brown
Total - 3

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Morrell moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 122—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY
AN ACT
To appropriate funds and to make and otherwise provide for certain reductions in appropriations from certain sources to be allocated to designated agencies and purposes in specific amounts for the making of supplemental appropriations and reductions for said agencies and purposes for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

Rules Suspended
Senator Cortez asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to revert to:

HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON THIRD READING AND FINAL PASSAGE, SUBJECT TO CALL

Called from the Calendar

Senator Cortez asked that Senate Bill No. 25 be called from the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 25—
BY SENATOR CORTEZ
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:319, relative to state sales and use tax; to provide for a sunset date for sales and use tax exemptions and exclusions; to retain those exemptions and exclusions provided for in the Louisiana Constitution and in federal law; to provide for exemptions for purchases by state and local governments and purchases for resale; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments
Senator Cortez proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senator Cortez to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 25 by Senator Cortez

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 11, change "July" to "August"

On motion of Senator Cortez, the amendments were adopted.

Senator Claitor moved to place the amended bill on the Involuntary Calendar.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS
Amendments proposed by Senator Cortez to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 25 by Senator Cortez

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 11, change "July" to "August"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, line 25, change "July" to "August"

On motion of Senator Cortez, the amendments were adopted.

Senator Claitor moved to place the amended bill on the Involuntary Calendar.

Senator Cortez objected.
ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

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The Chair declared the amended bill was placed on the Involuntary Calendar.

Motion to Reconsider

Senator Morrell asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to reconsider the vote by which the motion to reconsider the vote on House Bill No. 87 which was on Third Reading and Final Passage was laid on the Table.

Motion to Reconsider

Senator Morrell asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to reconsider the motion to lay the vote on final passage on the Table.

Motion to Call

Senator Morrell asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to call House Bill No. 87 from the Table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 87—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDERS
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 22:832(A) and (C), relative to insurance premium tax; to provide for a reduction of the tax due in certain circumstances; to provide for the definition of a qualifying Louisiana investment; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Motion to Reconsider Vote

Senator Morrell asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 87 passed.

On motion of Senator Morrell, the bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.
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House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage, Subject to Call

Called from the Calendar

Senator LaFleur asked that House Bill No. 122 be called from the Calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 122—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY

To appropriate funds and to make and otherwise provide for certain reductions in appropriations from certain sources to be allocated to designated agencies and purposes in specific amounts for the making of supplemental appropriations and reductions for said agencies and purposes for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year, to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator LaFleur proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator LaFleur to Re-Reengrossed House Bill No. 122 by Representative Henry

AMENDMENT NO. 1
In Senate Committee Amendment No. 8 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016, on page 1, line 16, delete "($265,000)" and insert "($156,273)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
Delete Senate Committee Amendment No. 63 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016.

AMENDMENT NO. 3
In Senate Committee Amendment No. 64 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016, on page 7, line 6, delete "37 through 39" and insert "36 through 38"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
Delete Senate Committee Amendment No. 65 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016.

AMENDMENT NO. 5
In Senate Committee Amendment No. 67 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016, on page 7, line 12, delete "($206,887)" and insert "($90,000)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6
In Senate Committee Amendment No. 87 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016, on page 10, line 7, delete "Eight Million" and insert "($8,000,000)"

AMENDMENT NO. 7
In Senate Committee Amendment No. 87 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016, on page 10, line 8, delete "Dollars"

AMENDMENT NO. 8
Delete Senate Committee Amendment No. 88 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016.

AMENDMENT NO. 9
In Senate Committee Amendment No. 90 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016, on page 10, line 21, delete "Section 7" and insert "Section 8"

AMENDMENT NO. 10
On page 3, line 15 delete "($7,239)" and insert "($4,826)"

AMENDMENT NO. 11
On page 7, line 39, delete "($2,045,131)" and insert "($132,000)"

AMENDMENT NO. 12
On page 8, delete lines 29 through 32

AMENDMENT NO. 13
On page 9, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

"08-420 OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Payable out of the State General Fund by Fees and Self-generated Revenues in the event that House Bill No. 111 of the 2016 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature is enacted into law $18,000,000"

AMENDMENT NO. 14
On page 9, at the end of line 27, delete "by" and insert "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 15
On page 9, delete line 28, and insert the following: "all reductions to Statutory Dedications approved and certified by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget on February 16, 2016."

AMENDMENT NO. 16
On page 9, at the end of line 30 insert the following: "Within ten days after the effective date of this Act, the state treasurer shall make all transfers provided in this Act. In the event that the amount of any reduction in State General Fund by Fees and Self-generated Revenues, Statutory Dedications, or Interagency Transfers being transferred to the State General Fund (Direct) are insufficient to fully fund the reduction made from such fund source on that date following the effective date of this Act or on that date the amount remaining in Fees and Self-generated Revenues, Statutory Dedications, or Interagency Transfers is insufficient to fully fund the reductions required by this Act and the appropriation remaining after the reductions in this Act, the treasurer shall notify the commissioner of administration and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget."

AMENDMENT NO. 17
On page 9, between lines 30 and 31, insert the following:

"Section 7. The appropriation contained on page 28, lines 29 and 30, in Act 26 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Legislature is enacted into law $17,000,000 is hereby amended and reenacted to be out of State General Fund by Interagency Transfers from the Office of Motor Vehicles in the amount of $18,000,000."

On motion of Senator LaFleur, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator LaFleur proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator LaFleur to Reengrossed House Bill No. 122 by Representative Henry

AMENDMENT NO. 1
In Senate Floor Amendment No. 16 proposed by the Senator LaFleur on motion of Senator LaFleur, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator LaFleur proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator LaFleur to Re-Reengrossed House Bill No. 122 by Representative Henry

AMENDMENT NO. 1
In Senate Floor Amendment No. 16 proposed by the Senator LaFleur and adopted by the Senate on March 4, 2016, on page 2, after line 37, insert the following:

"Section 5. In accordance with the provisions of Article VII, Section 10(E) of the Constitution of Louisiana, appropriations by the legislature from the state general fund and dedicated funds for any fiscal year shall not exceed the official forecast in effect at the time the appropriations were made. In the event that sufficient revenues are not generated in the 2016 First Extraordinary Session of the
Legislature in order to eliminate the total current year deficit as reported to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget on February 13, 2016, which deficit includes both the February 10, 2016, reductions in the official forecast and the current year expenditure items requiring action as contained in the Fiscal Status Statement as adopted by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget on February 13, 2016, the commissioner of administration shall make such adjustments and reductions as are necessary to ensure that the appropriations for the current fiscal year eliminate the deficit enumerated above."

AMENDMENT NO. 2
In Senate Committee Amendment No. 90 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2016, on page 10, line 21, change "Section 7" to "Section 9"

On motion of Senator LaFleur, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Erdey Morrell
Allain Fannin Morrish
Appel Gatti Peacock
Barrow Hewitt Perry
Bishop Johns Riser
Boudreaux LaFleur Smith, G.
Carter Lambert Smith, J.
Chabert Long Tarver
Claitor Luneau Thompson
Colomb Milkovich Walsworth
Cortez Mills Ward
Donahue Mizell White

Total - 36

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Brown Martiny Peterson

Total - 3

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator LaFleur moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

Rules Suspended
Senator Hewitt asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to revert to the Morning Hour.

Introduction of Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
Senator Carter asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to introduce and read Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions a first and second time and refer them to committee.

SENATE BILL NO. 27—
By Senator Carter

To enact R.S. 30:2195.2(C), relative to certain special treasury funds; to provide for transfer of monies from the Tank Trust Fund into the state general fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Finance.

Message from the House
ASKING CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS
March 4, 2016

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:

HB No. 28 HB No. 19

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House of Representatives

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
Senator Tarver asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to read House Bills and Joint Resolutions a first and second time by title and refer them to committee.

HOUSE BILL NO. 19—
By Representative James

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:601(A)(3) and (C)(1), relative to corporate franchise tax; to provide relative to the entities to which the tax applies; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 28—
By Representative Cox

AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 26:345 and 354(D), relative to state excise taxes; to provide relative to the discounts for the reporting and remitting of excise taxes on certain alcoholic beverages; to reduce the amount of the discounts for accurately reporting and timely remitting certain excise taxes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

Reports of Committees
The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
Senator Eric LaFleur, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

March 4, 2016

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE BILL NO. 9—
By Senator Donahue

AN ACT
To enact R.S. 39:82.1, relative to special treasury funds and dedicated money; to provide for specific reports to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget; to provide for the review and reporting of special funds and statutory dedications,
including the means of financing, specifically funds whose primary source of financing is the state general fund, the purpose and use of the monies, and the status and balances of the special funds and dedicated monies; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 111—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MARCELLE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:8(B) and R.S. 47:1676(E)(1) and to repeal R.S. 47:1676(E)(2) and (3), relative to the elimination of the Debt Recovery Fund; to provide for the elimination of the Debt Recovery Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 118—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS AND HENRY AND SENATORS
ALARIO AND LAFLEUR
AN ACT
To appropriate funds and to provide for certain reductions in appropriations of the Louisiana Judiciary for Fiscal Year 2015-2016; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 119—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS AND HENRY AND SENATORS
ALARIO AND LAFLEUR
AN ACT
To appropriate funds and to provide for certain reductions in appropriations of the Louisiana Legislature for Fiscal Year 2015-2016; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
ERIC LAFLEUR
Chairman

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Just Reported by Committees

Senator LaFleur asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions just reported by Committees.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Original Senate Bill No. 9 by Senator Donahue

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 7, between “monies;” and “and” insert the following: “to provide for the transfer, dedication, use, and appropriation as specified of certain treasury funds; to authorize the transfer of balances to the state general fund; to provide for an effective date;”

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 13, change "deficits," to "deficits for the prior fiscal year."

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following: "Section 2. Notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, the state treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the following amounts into the State General Fund (Direct) from the funds specified below in accordance with the reductions enacted in the bill that originated as HB 122 of the 2016 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature:

1) Executive Department
Forty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Nineteen Dollars from the Tax Commission Expense Fund.
Twenty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars from the State Emergency Response Fund.
Fifty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars from the Crime Victims Reparation Fund.

2) Elected Officials
Four Hundred Two Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars from the Department of Justice Legal Support Fund.
Eleven Thousand Fifty-Eight Dollars from the Tobacco Control Special Fund.
Twenty Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-One Dollars from the Department of Justice Debt Collection Fund.
Ten Thousand Dollars from the Tobacco Settlement Enforcement Fund.
One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Seven Dollars from the Crescent City Amnesty Refund Fund.
Five Thousand Three Hundred Forty-One Dollars from the Grain and Cotton Indemnity Fund.
Forty Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars from the Administrative Fund.

3) Department of Economic Development
Sixteen Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars from the Entertainment, Promotion and Marketing Fund.
One Thousand Twenty Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Dollars from the Marketing Fund.

4) Department of Transportation and Development
Twenty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars from the Geaux Pass Transition Fund.

5) Public Safety Services
One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars from the Debt Recovery Fund.
One Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars from the Pari-Mutuel Live Racing Facility Gaming Control Fund.
Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars from the Two Percent Fire Insurance Fund.

6) Department of Health and Hospitals
Two Hundred Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Forty-Six Dollars from the Compulsive & Problem Gaming Fund.
Two Hundred Twenty Eight Thousand Sixty-Four Dollars from the Tobacco Tax Health Care Fund.
One Hundred Thirty-One Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars from the Tobacco Tax Health Care Fund.
(7) **Department of Children and Family Services**

Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Nine Dollars from the Fraud Detection Fund.

Three Thousand Dollars from the SNAP Fraud and Abuse Detection and Prevention Fund.

(8) **Department of Natural Resources**

Ninety-One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars from the Oil and Gas Regulatory Fund.

One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars from the Underwater Obstruction Removal Fund.

Two Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars from the Mineral and Energy Operation Fund.

(9) **Department of Revenue**

Eighteen Thousand Seventy-Four Dollars from the Tobacco Regulation Enforcement Fund.

(10) **Department of Environmental Quality**

Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars from the Hazardous Waste Site Cleanup Fund.

(11) **Louisiana Workforce Commission**

Two Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Six Hundred Four Dollars from the Employment Security Administration Account.

Two Hundred Nine Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars from the Penalty and Interest Account.

(12) **Higher Education**

Two Thousand Dollars from the Medical and Allied Health Professional Education Scholarship & Loan Fund.

One Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars from the Support Education in Louisiana First Fund.

Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars from the Equine Health Studies Program Fund.

Forty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars from the Fireman's Training Fund.

Six Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Ninety-Two Dollars from the Support Education in Louisiana First Fund.

Ninety-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars from the Support Education in Louisiana First Fund.

Five Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Nine Dollars from the Support Education in Louisiana First Fund.

One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars from the Support Education in Louisiana First Fund.

(13) **Special Schools and Commissions**

Two Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars from the Louisiana Charter School Start-up Loan Fund.

(14) **Other Requirements**

Two Thousand Dollars from the DeSoto Parish Visitor Enterprise Fund.

Thirteen Thousand Ninety-One Dollars from the East Baton Rouge Parish Community Improvement Fund.

Twenty Thousand Dollars from the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center Phase IV Expansion Project Fund.

Four Thousand Dollars from the Lafourche Parish Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC) Training and Development Fund.

One Million Eight Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Thirteen Dollars from the Rapid Response Fund.

One Million Two Hundred Six Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars from the Louisiana Mega-Project Development Fund.

Two Thousand Fourteen Dollars from the Friends of NORD Fund.

(15) **DOTD - Capital Outlay/Non-State**

One Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars from the Debt Recovery Fund.

Twenty-Six Thousand Dollars from the Crescent City Transition Fund.

Eighteen Million One Hundred Three Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars from the Transportation Trust Fund.

Section 3. Within ten days after the effective date of this Act, the state treasurer shall make all transfers provided in this Act. In the event that the amount of any reduction in State General Fund by Fees and Self-generated Revenues, Statutory Dedications, or Interagency Transfers being transferred to the State General Fund (Direct) are insufficient to fully fund the reduction made from such fund source on the tenth day following the effective date of this Act or on that date the amount remaining in Fees and Self-generated Revenues, Statutory Dedications, or Interagency Transfers is insufficient to fully fund the reductions required by this Act and the appropriations remaining after the reductions in this Act, the treasurer shall notify the commissioner of administration and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget."

**AMENDMENT NO. 4**

On page 2, line 8, change "Section 2" to "Section 4"

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

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

Senator LaFleur asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up House Bills and Joint Resolutions just reported by Committees.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 111—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MARCELLE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:8(B) and R.S. 47:1676(E)(1) and to repeal R.S. 47:1676(E)(2) and (3), relative to the elimination of the Debt Recovery Fund; to provide for the elimination of the Debt Recovery Fund; 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 Engrossed House Bill No. 111 by Representative Marcelle
AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 13, change "used" to "used, subject to an annual appropriation."

On motion of Senator LaFleur, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 118—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS AND HENRY AND SENATORS ALARIO AND LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To appropriate funds and to provide for certain reductions in appropriations of the Louisiana Judiciary for Fiscal Year 2015-2016; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Finance. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 119—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS AND HENRY AND SENATORS ALARIO AND LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To appropriate funds and to provide for certain reductions in appropriations of the Louisiana Legislature for Fiscal Year 2015-2016; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Finance. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Rules Suspended

Senator LaFleur asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to recall House Bill No. 42 from the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 42—

BY REPRESENTATIVES JAY MORRIS, TERRY BROWN, GARY CARTER, JOHNSON, GREGORY MILLER, PEARSON, RICHARD, TALBOT, THIBAUT, AND WILLMOTT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 46:440.1(E)(4), and to enact R.S. 13:5073(A)(1), R.S. 17:407.27(B)(3), 3046.3(C), 4019(C), and 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 39:100.111 and 100.112, relative to dedications of mineral revenues; to create the Revenue Stabilization Trust Fund; to provide for deposits into the funds; to provide for investments of the fund; to provide for uses of the fund; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator LaFleur, House Bill No. 42 was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

Rules Suspended

Senator LaFleur asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to recall House Bill No. 86 from the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 86—

BY REPRESENTATIVES LEGER, BACALA, BILLIOT, FOIL, RICHARD, SMITH, AND ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To enact Subpart P-4 of Part II-A of Chapter 1 of Subtitle I of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 39:100.111 and 100.112, relative to dedications of mineral revenues; to create the Revenue Stabilization Trust Fund; to provide for deposits into the funds; to provide for investments of the fund; to provide for uses of the fund; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator LaFleur, House Bill No. 86 was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

Rules Suspended

Senator LaFleur asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to recall House Bill No. 89 from the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 89—

BY REPRESENTATIVES LEGER, BACALA, BILLIOT, FOIL, RICHARD, SMITH, AND ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:2(C), 4411(A), and 4423(3), R.S. 13:5073(A)(1), R.S. 17:407.27(B)(3), 3046.3(C), 4019(C), and 5068(D)(3), R.S. 22:1476(A)(2), R.S. 23:1514(D)(5), R.S. 27:27.1(F), 92(B)(2)(a) and (c), 249(A), 270(A)(2) and (3)(a)

On motion of Senator Morrell, House Bill No. 71 was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

Rules Suspended

Senator LaFleur asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to recall House Bill No. 100 from the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 100—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TALBOT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:2(C), 4411(A), and 4423(3), R.S. 13:5073(A)(1), R.S. 17:407.27(B)(3), 3046.3(C), 4019(C), and 5068(D)(3), R.S. 22:1476(A)(2), R.S. 23:1514(D)(5), R.S. 27:27.1(F), 92(B)(2)(a) and (c), 249(A), 270(A)(2) and (3)(a)
On motion of Senator LaFleur, House Bill No. 100 was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:843(B) and (C)(3) and 851(B)(4)(b), relative to the tobacco tax; to provide relative to the discount for stamping for the reporting and remitting of excise taxes on certain tobacco products; to provide relative to the discount for stamping cigarettes; to reduce the amount of the discounts for the reporting and remitting of excise taxes and the stamping of cigarettes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 18—
BY REPRESENTATIVES LEGER, ADAMS, BAGNERIS, BOUIE, HOFFMANN, MACK, AND STOKES
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 47:841(B)(7), relative to the tobacco tax; to provide with respect to the rate of the tax levied on cigarettes; to increase the rate of the tax levied on cigarettes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

Adoption of Legislative Bureau Report

On motion of Senator Long, the Bills and Joint Resolutions were read by title and passed to a third reading.

Privileged Report of the Legislative Bureau

March 4, 2016

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Legislative Bureau to submit the following report:

The following instruments are approved as to construction and duplication.

HOUSE BILL NO. 14—
BY REPRESENTATIVES Leger, Adams, Bagneris, Bouie, Hoffmann, Mack, and Stokes
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:843(B) and (C)(3) and 851(B)(4)(b), relative to the tobacco tax; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL R. MARTINY
Chairman

Legislative Bureau

March 4, 2016

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Legislative Bureau to submit the following report:

The following instruments are approved as to construction and duplication.

HOUSE BILL NO. 11—
BY REPRESENTATIVES LEGER, ADAMS, BAGNERIS, BOUIE, HOFFMANN, MACK, AND STOKES
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:841(B)(7), relative to the tobacco tax; to provide with respect to the rate of the tax levied on cigarettes; to increase the rate of the tax levied on cigarettes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.
HOUSE BILL NO. 111—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MARCELLE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:8(B) and R.S. 47:1676(E)(1) and to 
repeal R.S. 47:1676(E)(2) and (3), relative to the elimination of 
the Debt Recovery Fund; to provide for the elimination of the 
Debt Recovery Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 118—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS AND HENRY AND SENATORS 
ALARIO AND LAFLEUR
AN ACT
To appropriate funds and to provide for certain reductions in 
appropriations of the Louisiana Judiciary for Fiscal Year 2015-
2016; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related 
matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 119—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS AND HENRY AND SENATORS 
ALARIO AND LAFLEUR
AN ACT
To appropriate funds and to provide for certain reductions in 
appropriations of the Louisiana Legislature for Fiscal Year 
2015-2016; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for 
related matters.

Reported without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
DANIEL R. MARTINY
Chairman

Adoption of Legislative Bureau Report

On motion of Senator Long, the Bills and Joint Resolutions were 
read by title and passed to a third reading.

Privileged Report of the Committee on 
Senate and Governmental Affairs

ENROLLMENTS

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

March 4, 2016

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. 9—
BY SENATORS WALSWORTH AND THOMPSON AND 
REPRESENTATIVES CHANEY, CROMER, HOFFMANN AND JAY MORRIS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of 
Louisiana upon the death of James Donald “Don” Halsell.

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

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mr. President
Allain
Appel
Barrow
Bishop
Boudreaux
Carter
Chabert
Claitor
Colomb
Cortez
Donahue
Erdey
Fannin
Gatti
Hewitt
Johns
LaFleur
Lambert
Long
Luneau
Martiny
Milkovich
Mills
Mizell
Morrell
Morrish
Peacock
Perry
Peterson
Riser
Smith, G.
Smith, J.
Tarver
Thompson
Walsworth
Ward
White

Total - 38

ABSENT

Brown

Total - 1

Leaves of Absence

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Brown 1 Day

Announcements

The following committee meetings for March 5, 2016, were 
announced:

Rev. and Fiscal Affairs 9:30 A.M. Hainkel Room

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Thompson, at 6:10 o'clock P.M. the 
Senate adjourned until Saturday, March 5, 2016, at 11:00 
o'clock A.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.

GLENN A. KOEPP
Secretary of the Senate

DIANE O’QUIN
Journal Clerk