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Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Saturday, March 5, 2016

The Senate was called to order at 11:20 o'clock A.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	Erdey	Morrish
Allain	Fannin	Peacock
Appel	Gatti	Perry
Barrow	Hewitt	Peterson
Bishop	Johns	Riser
Boudreaux	Lambert	Smith, G.
Brown	Long	Smith, J.
Carter	Luneau	Thompson
Chabert	Martiny	Walsworth
Claitor	Milkovich	Ward
Colomb	Mills	White
Cortez	Mizell	
Donahue	Morrell	

Total - 37

ABSENT

LaFleur Tarver
Total - 2

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

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Senator Sharon Hewitt, 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 Colomb, the reading of the Journal was
dispensed with and the Journal of March 4, 2016, was adopted.

Message from the House

DISAGREEMENT TO HOUSE BILL

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 refused to concur in the proposed Senate
Amendment(s) to **House Bill No. 122** by Representative Henry, and

ask the President to appoint on the part of the Senate a committee to
confer with a like committee from the House on the disagreement.

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

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 5, 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. 19—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 12:1368 and R.S. 47:601(A)(3) and
(C)(1) and 602(G) and to enact R.S. 47:601(C)(3) and 602(H),
relative to corporate franchise tax; to provide relative to the
entities to which the tax applies; to provide for applicability; to
provide for certain deductions for taxable capital; to provide for
initial payment of the franchise tax; to provide for an effective
date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

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.

Reported with amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 71—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS, ABRAMSON, ADAMS, AMEDEE,
BISHOP, BROADWATER, COX, DANAHAY, DAVIS, GLOVER,
HILFERTY, HOFFMANN, JAMES, MAGEE, GREGORY MILLER,
NORTON, PEARSON, PUGH, STOKES, WILLMOTT, AND ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:1787(A)(2)(a) and (3) and (B)(3)(c)
and (5) and to enact R.S. 51:1787(A)(1)(c) and (B)(3)(d), (6),
and (7), relative to the Enterprise Zone Program; to provide for
eligibility; to reduce the amount of certain tax credits; to provide
for computation of average annual employment; to provide for
applicability; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for
related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
JEAN-PAUL "JP" MORRELL
Chairman

March 5, 2016

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. 19—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 12:1368 and R.S. 47:601(A)(3) and (C)(1) and 602(G) and to enact R.S. 47:601(C)(3) and 602(H), relative to corporate franchise tax; to provide relative to the entities to which the tax applies; to provide for applicability; to provide for certain deductions for taxable capital; to provide for initial payment of the franchise tax; 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. 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.

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 Reengrossed House Bill No. 28 by Representative Cox

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, on lines 12 and 13, delete "one-half of one" and insert "one and one-half"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 19, delete ".835.% of one" and insert "two and one-half"

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 71—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS, ABRAMSON, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BISHOP, BROADWATER, COX, DANAHAY, DAVIS, GLOVER, HILFERTY, HOFFMANN, JAMES, MAGEE, GREGORY MILLER, NORTON, PEARSON, PUGH, STOKES, WILLMOTT, AND ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:1787(A)(2)(a) and (3) and (B)(3)(c) and (5) and to enact R.S. 51:1787(A)(1)(c) and (B)(3)(d), (6), and (7), relative to the Enterprise Zone Program; to provide for eligibility; to reduce the amount of certain tax credits; to provide for computation of average annual employment; to provide for applicability; to provide for effectiveness; 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 Reengrossed House Bill No. 71 by Representative Barras

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 5, line 14, after "business", delete the remainder of the line and delete line 15 and insert "meets the requirements of R.S. 51:2455(E)(1)."

On motion of Senator Morrell, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended 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. 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; 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; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns: Name, Yeas, Nays. Lists names like Mr. President, Allain, Appel, Barrow, Bishop, Boudreaux, Brown, Chabert, Claitor, Colomb, Cortez, Donahue, Erdy, Fannin, Gatti, Hewitt, Johns, Lambert, Long, Luneau, Martiny, Milkovich, Mills, Mizell, Morrell, Morrish, Peacock, Perry, Peterson, Riser, Smith, G., Smith, J., Thompson, Walsworth, Ward, White.

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns: Name, Absent. Lists names Carter, LaFleur, Tarver.

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

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.

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	Erdey	Mizell
Allain	Fannin	Morrell
Appel	Gatti	Morrish
Barrow	Hewitt	Peacock
Boudreaux	Johns	Perry
Brown	Lambert	Peterson
Chabert	Long	Smith, G.
Claitor	Luneau	Thompson
Colomb	Martiny	Walsworth
Cortez	Milkovich	Ward
Donahue	Mills	White
Total - 33		

NAYS

Riser	Smith, J.
Total - 2	

ABSENT

Bishop	LaFleur
Carter	Tarver
Total - 4	

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. 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.

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	Erdey	Morrish
Allain	Fannin	Peacock
Appel	Gatti	Perry
Barrow	Hewitt	Peterson
Bishop	Johns	Riser
Boudreaux	Lambert	Smith, G.
Brown	Long	Smith, J.
Chabert	Luneau	Thompson
Claitor	Martiny	Walsworth
Colomb	Milkovich	Ward
Cortez	Mills	White
Donahue	Morrell	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Mizell
Total - 1

ABSENT

Carter	LaFleur	Tarver
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. 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.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Erdey	Mizell
Allain	Fannin	Morrell
Appel	Gatti	Peacock
Barrow	Hewitt	Perry
Bishop	Johns	Peterson
Boudreaux	LaFleur	Riser
Brown	Lambert	Smith, G.
Chabert	Long	Smith, J.
Claitor	Luneau	Thompson
Colomb	Martiny	Walsworth
Cortez	Milkovich	Ward
Donahue	Mills	White
Total - 36		

NAYS

Morrish
Total - 1

ABSENT

Carter	Tarver
Total - 2	

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

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.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fannin	Morrish
Allain	Gatti	Peacock
Appel	Hewitt	Perry
Barrow	Johns	Peterson
Bishop	LaFleur	Riser

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Boudreaux	Lambert	Smith, G.
Brown	Long	Smith, J.
Chabert	Luneau	Thompson
Claitor	Martiny	Walsworth
Colomb	Milkovich	Ward
Cortez	Mills	White
Donahue	Mizell	
Erdey	Morrell	
Total - 37		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter	Tarver
Total - 2	

The Chair declared the 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.

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.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fannin	Morrish
Allain	Gatti	Peacock
Appel	Hewitt	Perry
Barrow	Johns	Peterson
Bishop	LaFleur	Riser
Boudreaux	Lambert	Smith, G.
Brown	Long	Smith, J.
Chabert	Luneau	Tarver
Claitor	Martiny	Thompson
Colomb	Milkovich	Walsworth
Cortez	Mills	Ward
Donahue	Mizell	White
Erdey	Morrell	
Total - 38		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter
Total - 1

The Chair declared the 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 Cortez asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to revert to:

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

Called from the Involuntary Calendar

Senator Cortez moved to call Senate Bill No. 25 from the Involuntary Calendar without the required record vote.

Without objection, so ordered.

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.

Without objection, so ordered.

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

Delete the Senate Floor Amendments, proposed by Senator Cortez and adopted by the Senate on March 4, 2016, designated as SFASB25 MENOUA 447.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 2, after "use tax;" delete the remainder of the line, delete lines 3 through 5, and insert the following: "to create a special committee to review and recommend with regards to sales and use tax exemptions and exclusions; to provide relative to membership, activities, reports, and effects; to provide for an effective date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 9, change "**Sunset**" to "**Review**"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete lines 10 through 17

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, delete lines 1 through 24 and insert the following:

"A. There is hereby created the Special Committee on Tax Exemptions and Exclusions to meet and review exemptions and exclusions to the tax levied pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter, Chapters 2-A and 2-B of this Subtitle, and R.S. 51:1286.

B. (1) The membership of the committee shall be as follows:
(a) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance, or his designee.

(b) Two members of the Senate Committee on Finance appointed by the president of the Senate.

(c) The chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations, or his designee.

(d) Two members of the House Committee on Appropriations appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives.

(e) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, or his designee.

(f) Two members from the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs appointed by the president of the Senate.

(g) The chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means, or his designee.

(h) Two members from the House Committee on Ways and Means appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives.

(i) The president of the Senate, or his designee.

(j) The speaker of the House of Representatives, or his designee.

(2) All appointments to the committee shall be made prior to August 1, 2016.

(3) The chairmanship of the committee shall rotate every two years between the chairman of the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, or his designee and the chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means, or his designee. The chairman of the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, or his designee shall serve the first term.

C. The special committee may meet and review exemptions and exclusions to the tax levied pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter, Chapters 2-A and 2-B of this Subtitle, and R.S. 51:1286. Prior to March 1, 2017, the special committee shall identify which exemptions or exclusions were enacted before January 1, 1975, and review such exemptions or exclusions as follows:

(1) Determine the generally accepted, most effective economic model or models which are used to determine the economic impact of a tax exemption or exclusion.

(2) Establish criteria for the identification of the high-performing exemptions or exclusions, based on the cost of the tax exemption or exclusion compared to:

(a) The revenue gained by the state.

(b) The revenue gained by local governments.

(c) The overall economic impact of the tax exemption and exclusion expenditure in terms of the number of jobs created by recipients of the exemptions and exclusions and by the direct economic activity through the economy.

(d) The comparison between any available original fiscal note and an updated fiscal note.

(3) Identify the low-performing or antiquated tax exemptions and exclusions.

(4) Submit a report to the House of Representatives and the Senate on or before March 15, 2017, recommending the temporary or permanent sunset, reduction, reenactment, or repeal of tax exemptions and exclusions. The report shall include a summary of any possible overall reduction in the sales tax rate due to the expansion of the tax base. The committee shall also recommend a schedule for the review of tax exemptions and exclusions.

D. The special committee may meet and review exemptions and exclusions to the tax levied pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter, Chapters 2-A and 2-B of this Subtitle, and R.S. 51:1286. Prior to March 1, 2019, the special committee shall identify which exemptions or exclusions were enacted on or after January 1, 1975, and review such exemptions or exclusions as follows:

(1) Determine the generally accepted, most effective economic model or models which are used to determine the economic impact of a tax exemption or exclusion.

(2) Establish criteria for the identification of the high-performing exemptions or exclusions, based on the cost of the tax exemption or exclusion compared to:

(a) The revenue gained by the state.

(b) The revenue gained by local governments.

(c) The overall economic impact of the tax exemption and exclusion expenditure in terms of the number of jobs created by recipients of the exemptions and exclusions and by the direct economic activity through the economy.

(d) The comparison between any available original fiscal note and an updated fiscal note.

(3) Identify the low-performing or antiquated tax exemptions and exclusions.

(4) Submit a report to the House of Representatives and the Senate on or before March 15, 2019, recommending the temporary or permanent sunset, reduction, reenactment, or repeal of tax exemptions and exclusions. The report shall include a summary of any possible overall reduction in the sales tax rate due to the expansion of the tax base. The committee shall also recommend a schedule for the review of tax exemptions and exclusions."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, delete line 25 and insert the following:

"Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

Senator Cortez moved the adoption of the amendments.

Senator Peterson objected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Gatti	Morrish
Allain	Hewitt	Peacock
Appel	Johns	Perry
Bishop	LaFleur	Riser
Chabert	Lambert	Tarver
Claitor	Long	Thompson
Cortez	Luneau	Walsworth
Donahue	Martiny	Ward
Erdey	Mills	White
Fannin	Mizell	
Total - 29		

NAYS

Barrow	Colomb	Peterson
Boudreaux	Milkovich	Smith, G.
Brown	Morrell	Smith, J.
Total - 9		

ABSENT

Carter
Total - 1

The Chair declared the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Hewitt proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Hewitt to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 25 by Senator Cortez

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In the set of Senate Floor Amendments, proposed by Senator Cortez and adopted by the Senate on March 5, 2016, designated as SFASB25 CORLEYM 468, in the Senate Floor Amendment No. 5, on page 2, on line 27, change "direct" to "direct and indirect"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In the set of Senate Floor Amendments, proposed by Senator Cortez and adopted by the Senate on March 5, 2016, designated as SFASB25 CORLEYM 468, in the Senate Floor Amendment No. 5, on page 3, on line 10, change "direct" to "direct and indirect"

On motion of Senator Hewitt, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Thompson proposed the following amendments.

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SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Thompson to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 25 by Senator Cortez

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In the set of Senate Floor Amendments, proposed by Senator Cortez and adopted by the Senate on March 5, 2016, designated as SFB25 CORLEYM 468, in the Senate Floor Amendment No. 5, on page 2, after line 2, insert the following:

(k) The chairman of the House Committee on Commerce, or his designee.

(l) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs, or his designee.

(m) The chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development, or his designee.

(n) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development, or his designee.

(o) The chairman of the House Committee on Health and Welfare, or his designee.

(p) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare, or his designee.

(q) The chairman of the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment, or his designee.

(r) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, or his designee."

On motion of Senator Thompson, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table listing names of members who voted 'YEAS' in three columns: Mr. President, Fannin, Morrish, Allain, Gatti, Peacock, Appel, Hewitt, Perry, Barrow, Johns, Riser, Bishop, LaFleur, Smith, G., Boudreaux, Lambert, Smith, J., Brown, Long, Tarver, Chabert, Luneau, Thompson, Claitor, Martiny, Walsworth, Colomb, Milkovich, Ward, Cortez, Mills, White, Donahue, Mizell, Erdey, Morrell.

NAYS

Peterson Total - 1

ABSENT

Carter Total - 1

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed, ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Senator Cortez moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

Privileged Report of the Legislative Bureau

March 5, 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. 19— BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 12:1368 and R.S. 47:601(A)(3) and (C)(1) and 602(G) and to enact R.S. 47:601(C)(3) and 602(H), relative to corporate franchise tax; to provide relative to the entities to which the tax applies; to provide for applicability; to provide for certain deductions for taxable capital; to provide for initial payment of the franchise tax; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 71— BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS, ABRAMSON, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BISHOP, BROADWATER, COX, DANAHAY, DAVIS, GLOVER, HILFERTY, HOFFMANN, JAMES, MAGEE, GREGORY MILLER, NORTON, PEARSON, PUGH, STOKES, WILLMOTT, AND ZERINGUE AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:1787(A)(2)(a) and (3) and (B)(3)(c) and (5) and to enact R.S. 51:1787(A)(1)(c) and (B)(3)(d), (6), and (7), relative to the Enterprise Zone Program; to provide for eligibility; to reduce the amount of certain tax credits; to provide for computation of average annual employment; to provide for applicability; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

Respectfully submitted, DANIEL R. MARTINY Chairman

Adoption of Legislative Bureau Report

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

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Table listing names of members present in three columns: Mr. President, Erdey, Morrell, Allain, Fannin, Morrish, Appel, Gatti, Peacock, Barrow, Hewitt, Perry, Bishop, Johns, Peterson, Boudreaux, LaFleur, Riser, Brown, Lambert, Smith, G., Carter, Long, Smith, J., Chabert, Luneau, Tarver, Claitor, Martiny, Thompson, Colomb, Milkovich, Walsworth.

Cortez
Donahue
Total - 39

Mills
Mizell

Ward
White

ABSENT

Total - 0

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Thompson, at 12:15 o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned until Sunday, March 6, 2016, at 4:00 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.

GLENN A. KOEPP
Secretary of the Senate

DIANE O' QUIN
Journal Clerk

