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STATE OF LOUISIANA**

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

**Thirty-Fourth Extraordinary Session of the Legislature
Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974**

Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Thursday, February 9, 2006

The Senate was called to order at 4:00 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	Ellington	McPherson
Adley	Fields	Michot
Bajoie	Fontenot	Mount
Barham	Gautreaux B	Murray
Boasso	Gautreaux N	Nevers
Broome	Heitmeier	Quinn
Cain	Hollis	Romero
Chaisson	Jackson	Schedler
Cheek	Jones	Shepherd
Cravins	Kostelka	Smith
Dardenne	Lentini	Theunissen
Duplessis	Malone	Ullo
Dupre	Marionneaux	
Total - 38		

ABSENT

Amedee
Total - 1

The President of the Senate announced there were 38 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Father Gerald Young, 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

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**

February 8, 2006

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. 7—
BY SENATOR BROOME

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Congress of the United States and the governor to consider using funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for modular homes as alternative housing for those affected by hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Rose Drew Cager.

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. 50—
BY SENATOR JONES

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:1308.3, relative to absentee voting by mail by temporarily displaced persons; to provide for the application to such persons of certain provisions relative to absentee voting by mail by United States service members and persons residing outside the United States; to require an affidavit attesting to the voter's eligibility; to provide for the effectiveness of the provisions; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 51—
BY SENATOR MOUNT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 39:1367(E)(2)(b)(iii), relative to state debt; to exclude from the definition of net state tax supported debt certain bonds or notes issued by the state to provide relief from the natural catastrophe caused by hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 52—
BY SENATOR MOUNT

AN ACT

To enact the Supplemental Omnibus Bond Authorization Act, relative to an omnibus bond authorization; to provide for the issuance of bonds of the state to provide relief from natural catastrophes; to provide for implementation of certain bond provisions of the Gulf Opportunity Zone Act of 2005; to provide a program to provide relief from natural catastrophes to certain affected political subdivisions of the state; to provide procedures for the issuance of the bonds; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

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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. 6— BY SENATORS JACKSON, CHEEK AND MALONE A RESOLUTION

To commend the Caddo Parish School System for its commitment to academic excellence and equal educational opportunity.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13— BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN AND REPRESENTATIVE MORRISH A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Immaculate Conception Catholic Church upon the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns of names: Mr. President, Adley, Bajoie, Barham, Boasso, Broome, Cain, Chaisson, Cheek, Cravins, Dardenne, Duplessis, Dupre, Ellington, Fields, Fontenot, Gautreaux B, Gautreaux N, Heitmeier, Hollis, Jackson, Jones, Kostelka, Lentini, Malone, Marionneaux, McPherson, Michot, Mount, Murray, Nevers, Romero, Schedler, Smith, Theunissen, Ullo

Total - 36

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns of names: Amedee, Quinn, Shepherd, Total - 3

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 14— BY SENATOR MURRAY A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the President of the United States and the Congress of the United States to amend the Stafford Act to permit funds to be used for permanent housing in the hurricane impacted areas of Louisiana.

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

Senate and Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

The following Senate and Concurrent Resolutions were read and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12— BY SENATORS SHEPHERD AND QUINN A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Jefferson Parish School Board to provide transportation to each public school student within the parish including those who choose to attend magnet or charter schools at no cost to the student or his family.

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

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

February 9, 2006

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. 2— BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1430.6(E), relative to bonds issued by the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; to provide for the payment of bonds; to provide for authority of the board; to provide for federal funds; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 12— BY REPRESENTATIVES JEFFERSON, MARCHAND, AND RICHMOND AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:115(F)(2)(d), relative to the conduct of elections during or following a gubernatorially declared state of emergency; to provide for certain displaced persons who have registered to vote by mail by a certain date to vote absentee by mail; to require an affidavit attesting to the voter's eligibility; to provide for the effectiveness of such provisions; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 6— BY REPRESENTATIVES ST. GERMAIN, BURNS, ARNOLD, GALLOT, LAFONTA, MONTGOMERY, PITRE, AND SMILEY AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1123(36), relative to ethics; to allow a public employee who was affected by Hurricane Katrina or Rita to receive certain specified disaster aid and relief; to require certain disclosures of such aid and relief; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 17— BY REPRESENTATIVE LABRUZZO AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:682, relative to homeowners' insurance damage claims; to provide for presumption of coverage; to provide for disaster related claims; to prohibit automatic denial of coverage; to provide for proof of losses; to provide for repairs; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 18— BY REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 30 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, relative to the homestead exemption; to change the effective date for the provisions which provide for an extension of the homestead exemption when property is damaged or destroyed during a

disaster or emergency declared by the governor; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 22—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:635(A)(3) and 640(B), relative to the severance tax on oil and gas; to provide that the one-time severance tax payment required by R.S. 47:635(A)(3) or 640(B) due on or before November 25, 2005, may be credited to the taxpayer's future liabilities; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 27—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANCASTER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 70 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, relative to the proposed constitutional amendment to provide for the continuation of the homestead exemption and special assessment level under certain specified circumstances; to change the date on which the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 28—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANCASTER
AN ACT

To repeal Act No. 24 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, to remove provisions for the holding and conduct of a special statewide election on the fifth Saturday in April of 2006 for the purpose of submitting constitutional amendments to the electors of the state.

HOUSE BILL NO. 29—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANCASTER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 3 of Act No. 69 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, relative to the proposed constitutional amendment to change the name of the Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund and to provide relative to such fund; to change the date on which the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 46—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1978.1(A)(1)(b) and (3)(b), (B)(1) and (2), and (C)(1)(a), to enact R.S. 47:1978.1(C)(4), and to repeal R.S. 47:1978.1(D), relative to the assessment of land and property damaged or destroyed during a disaster or emergency declared by the governor; to provide for assessment procedures; to limit the application of certain assessment procedures; and to provide for related matters.

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 2—
BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1430.6(E), relative to bonds issued by the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; to provide for the payment of bonds; to provide for authority of the board; to provide for federal funds; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 6—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ST. GERMAIN, BURNS, ARNOLD, GALLOT,
LAFONTA, MONTGOMERY, PITRE, AND SMILEY
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1123(36), relative to ethics; to allow a public employee who was affected by Hurricane Katrina or Rita to receive certain specified disaster aid and relief; to require certain disclosures of such aid and relief; and to provide for related matters.

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

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:115(F)(2)(d), relative to the conduct of elections during or following a gubernatorially declared state of emergency; to provide for certain displaced persons who have registered to vote by mail by a certain date to vote absentee by mail; to require an affidavit attesting to the voter's eligibility; to provide for the effectiveness of such provisions; and to provide for related matters.

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

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 30 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, relative to the homestead exemption; to change the effective date for the provisions which provide for an extension of the homestead exemption when property is damaged or destroyed during a disaster or emergency declared by the governor; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 27—
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AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 70 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, relative to the proposed constitutional amendment to provide for the continuation of the homestead exemption and special assessment

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level under certain specified circumstances; to change the date on which the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 46—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1978.1(A)(1)(b) and (3)(b), (B)(1) and (2), and (C)(1)(a), to enact R.S. 47:1978.1(C)(4), and to repeal R.S. 47:1978.1(D), relative to the assessment of land and property damaged or destroyed during a disaster or emergency declared by the governor; to provide for assessment procedures; to limit the application of certain assessment procedures; and to provide for related matters.

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

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the volunteers of the Southeast Louisiana Chapter of the American Red Cross and Frances Barker, North Shore regional coordinator, for their outstanding efforts toward the recovery of Louisiana after Hurricane Katrina.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23—
BY REPRESENTATIVE CRANE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Dr. William L. Jenkins for his outstanding accomplishments and singular contributions to Louisiana State University and the Louisiana State University System and to express gratitude to him for his exemplary term of dedicated and highly productive public service.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24—
BY REPRESENTATIVES ODINET, BADON, HUTTER, MARCHAND,
RICHMOND, AND WOOTON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to immediately close the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet and return the area to essential coastal wetlands and marshes and to memorialize the Louisiana congressional delegation to file the necessary legislation to accomplish this closure.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25—
BY REPRESENTATIVES WALSWORTH AND FANNIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request that the governor include within the call of an Extraordinary Session of the Legislature called in 2006 an item to consider extending the state income tax exemption for military personnel.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend former House Speaker E.L. "Bubba" Henry upon the celebration of his seventieth birthday and to express enduring gratitude for his outstanding contributions to the state of Louisiana.

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

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to allow a five hundred dollar federal tax deduction for people who housed evacuees rent free for at least sixty continuous days as a result of Hurricane Rita.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18—
BY REPRESENTATIVE QUEZAIRE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the organizers of and participants in Groundhog Job Shadow Day 2006 and to welcome those visiting the Louisiana State Capitol on this momentous occasion.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—
BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the superintendent of the Louisiana State Police to place additional troops in Troop L serving St. Tammany Parish to address the increased demands upon law enforcement resulting from the increased population following Hurricane Katrina.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request President George W. Bush, Governor Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, and the Louisiana congressional delegation to ensure enactment of legislation to require the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide the same level of assistance to the residents of Iberia Parish who were affected by Hurricane Rita as the residents of Louisiana affected by Hurricane Katrina, including funding assistance with demolition and removal of damaged housing.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—
 BY REPRESENTATIVES RICHMOND, BADON, BARROW, BAYLOR, BURRELL, K. CARTER, CRAVINS, CURTIS, DORSEY, GALLOT, GLOVER, GRAY, E. GUILLORY, HARRIS, HONEY, HUNTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, LAFONTA, MARCHAND, MORRELL, PIERRE, AND QUEZAIRE AND SENATORS BAJOIE, BROOME, CRAVINS, DUPLESSIS, FIELDS, JACKSON, JONES, MURRAY, AND SHEPHERD
 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
 To commend Anheuser-Busch Companies for the extensive and generous aid the company provided to hurricane victims on the Gulf Coast in 2005.

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:

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 BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS
 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
 To commend former House Speaker E.L. "Bubba" Henry upon the celebration of his seventieth birthday and to express enduring gratitude for his outstanding contributions to the state of Louisiana.

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

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 To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to allow a five hundred dollar federal tax deduction for people who housed evacuees rent free for at least sixty continuous days as a result of Hurricane Rita.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—
 BY REPRESENTATIVES RICHMOND, BADON, BARROW, BAYLOR, BURRELL, K. CARTER, CRAVINS, CURTIS, DORSEY, GALLOT, GLOVER, GRAY, E. GUILLORY, HARRIS, HONEY, HUNTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, LAFONTA, MARCHAND, MORRELL, PIERRE, AND QUEZAIRE AND SENATORS BAJOIE, BROOME, CRAVINS, DUPLESSIS, FIELDS, JACKSON, JONES, MURRAY, AND SHEPHERD
 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
 To commend Anheuser-Busch Companies for the extensive and generous aid the company provided to hurricane victims on the Gulf Coast in 2005.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Ellington	McPherson
Adley	Fields	Michot
Bajoie	Fontenot	Mount
Barham	Gautreaux B	Murray
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Duplessis	Malone	
Dupre	Marionneaux	
Total - 37		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Amedee	Quinn
Total - 2	

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—
 BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER
 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
 To commend the volunteers of the Southeast Louisiana Chapter of the American Red Cross and Frances Barker, North Shore regional coordinator, for their outstanding efforts toward the recovery of Louisiana after Hurricane Katrina.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Ellington	McPherson
Adley	Fields	Michot
Bajoie	Fontenot	Mount
Barham	Gautreaux B	Murray
Boasso	Gautreaux N	Nevers
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To commend Dr. William L. Jenkins for his outstanding accomplishments and singular contributions to Louisiana State University and the Louisiana State University System and to express gratitude to him for his exemplary term of dedicated and highly productive public service.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Ellington McPherson
Adley Fields Michot
Bajoie Fontenot Mount
Barham Gautreaux B Murray
Boasso Gautreaux N Nevers
Broome Heitmeier Romero
Cain Hollis Schedler
Chaisson Jackson Shepherd
Cheek Jones Smith
Cravins Kostelka Theunissen
Dardenne Lentini Ullo
Duplessis Malone
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Total - 2

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24— BY REPRESENTATIVES ODINET, BADON, HUTTER, MARCHAND, RICHMOND, AND WOOTON A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to immediately close the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet and return the area to essential coastal wetlands and marshes and to memorialize the Louisiana congressional delegation to file the necessary legislation to accomplish this closure.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25— BY REPRESENTATIVES WALSWORTH AND FANNIN A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request that the governor include within the call of an Extraordinary Session of the Legislature called in 2006 an item to consider extending the state income tax exemption for military personnel.

The resolution 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

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

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

February 9, 2006

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. 32— BY SENATOR MOUNT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1395(A), relative to the organization or reorganization of local governmental subdivisions; to provide for amending a home rule charter; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 33— BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 9:5633(A)(2)(c), relative to three year acquisitive prescription; to provide for acquisition of blighted property; to provide for the filing of certain affidavits and judgments; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 45— BY SENATORS BAJOEIE AND MURRAY AND REPRESENTATIVE DORSEY

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 3-C of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:600.71 through 600.75, relative to housing recovery centers; to provide for definitions; to provide for the creation, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities of such centers; to provide for an effective date, and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 49— BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS AND REPRESENTATIVE GALLOT

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 3-C of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:600.50 through 600.62, relative to the Louisiana Housing and Land Trust; to create and provide for such trust and its board of directors and their powers, duties, functions and responsibilities, to provide a tax exemption status for the trust; to provide a termination date for the trust; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted, CLEO FIELDS Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

JUDICIARY A

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

February 9, 2006

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE BILL NO. 3—
BY SENATOR FIELDS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:992.1(D), relative to the judicial building fund; to provide for an extension of the deadline for letting public bids for construction of a new facility for the Nineteenth Judicial District Court; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 42—
BY SENATOR LENTINI

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:63(E), relative to judicial districts and judgeships; to authorize the Judicial Council to review and make certain recommendations to the legislature concerning certain judgeships; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
ARTHUR LENTINI
Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

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

February 9, 2006

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9—
BY SENATOR HOLLIS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request Churchill Downs, Inc. to repair and reopen the Fair Grounds Racing Facility in New Orleans on or before the start of the 2006 racing season.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 5—
BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1730.24(B), relative to state building codes; to provide for certain inspections and inspectors; to authorize the state fire marshal to adopt rules and regulations to provide temporary additional third-party provider options for implementation of the uniform construction code by municipalities and parishes subject to the emergency wind and flood mitigation requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 31—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 6:337 and to repeal R.S. 10:9-211, relative to insurance settlement monies paid for damages to residential property; to require placement of such monies in interest-bearing accounts to the benefit of the residential property owner; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
KEN HOLLIS
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:

February 9, 2006

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to submit the following report:

SENATE BILL NO. 13—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:331, relative to reorganization of levee districts; to transfer the control and management of certain non-flood protection functions and activities, and facilities and improvements involved therewith, of the Orleans Levee District; to provide for transfers to the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association; to provide for transfers to the Department of Transportation and Development; to provide for the authority of the association and the department with respect to such transferred facilities and improvements; to designate the association as the successor to the levee district regarding certain mineral leases; to provide for the liability of the association and department for certain legal actions and claims arising against, and certain obligations of, the Orleans Levee District; to provide for the transfer of certain district employees to the association or department; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 46—
BY SENATOR DUPRE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:291(F)(1) and (2)(introductory paragraph) and (f), (P)(1), and (T)(1) and to repeal R.S. 38:291(F)(2)(g), relative to the reorganization of certain levee districts in Lafourche Parish; to change the boundaries of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District and the Lafourche Basin Levee District; to provide for exclusive jurisdiction of the South Lafourche Levee District; to provide relative to boards of commissioners; to provide for the transfer of certain property and documents; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
NOBLE E. ELLINGTON
Chairman

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Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committees

Senator Ellington 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. 3— BY SENATOR FIELDS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:992.1(D), relative to the judicial building fund; to provide for an extension of the deadline for letting public bids for construction of a new facility for the Nineteenth Judicial District Court; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 5— BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1730.24(B), relative to state building codes; to provide for certain inspections and inspectors; to authorize the state fire marshal to adopt rules and regulations to provide temporary additional third-party provider options for implementation of the uniform construction code by municipalities and parishes subject to the emergency wind and flood mitigation requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 5 by Senator N. Gautreaux

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3 after "inspectors;" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 4 through 6 in their entirety and insert the following: "to allow commercial and residential contractors to establish agreements with certain licensed contractors to conduct plan review and inspections; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 15 after "the" delete "state uniform construction code" and insert "State Uniform Construction Code"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 17 after "R.S. 40:1730.27." delete "Thereafter," and insert the following:

"For purposes of plans review and inspections of a residential single-family dwelling, a certified third-party provider may also be a licensed contractor for purposes of the emergency provisions of R.S. 40:1730.27, provided however that no contractor shall inspect their own work. On and after January 1, 2007,"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 10 after "providers." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 11 through 14 in their entirety.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 13— BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:331, relative to reorganization of levee districts; to transfer the control and management of certain non-flood protection functions and activities, and facilities and improvements involved therewith, of the Orleans Levee District; to provide for transfers to the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association; to provide for transfers to the Department of Transportation and Development; to provide for the authority of the association and the department with respect to such transferred facilities and improvements; to designate the association as the successor to the levee district regarding certain mineral leases; to provide for the liability of the association and department for certain legal actions and claims arising against, and certain obligations of, the Orleans Levee District; to provide for the transfer of certain district employees to the association or department; 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. 13 by Senator Murray

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, delete lines 3 through 6, and insert:

"(6) Revenues produced by the operation of any property, facility, or improvement referred to in this Subsection shall be collected by the association, and after deducting an amount for the expense of operating, managing, and controlling such property, facility, or improvement, the remaining revenue therefrom shall be disbursed by the association to the New Orleans Levee District."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, delete lines 3 through 6, and insert:

"(5) Revenues produced by the operation of any property, facility, or improvement referred to in this Subsection shall be collected by the department, and after deducting an amount for the expense of operating, managing, and controlling such property, facility, or improvement, the remaining revenue therefrom shall be disbursed by the department to the New Orleans Levee District."

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. 31— BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 6:337 and to repeal R.S. 10:9-211, relative to insurance settlement monies paid for damages to residential property; to require placement of such monies in interest-bearing accounts to the benefit of the residential property owner; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 31 by Senator Schedler

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

"D. The provisions of this Section shall be applicable to state chartered federally insured financial institutions and their

affiliates to the same extent that such provisions are applicable to federally chartered financial institutions."

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

SENATE BILL NO. 32—
BY SENATOR MOUNT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1395(A), relative to the organization or reorganization of local governmental subdivisions; to provide for amending a home rule charter; 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. 32 by Senator Mount

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "reenact R.S." strike "33:1395 (A)" and insert "33:1395.4"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 6 through 13, and insert the following: "Section 1. R.S. 33:1395.4. is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1395.4. Amendment of charter

A. The method and frequency of amending the charter ~~shall~~ **may** be provided in said charter. ~~The and the~~ charter ~~shall~~ **may** provide a procedure ~~in~~ **by** which the local governing authority or resident of the municipality or parish may propose changes in the charter.

Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 33:1395(A), in addition, any parish or municipality may amend an existing home rule charter either by amendments proposed by the charter commission or by amendments proposed by the governing body.

B. The proposed changes in the charter shall be approved by a majority of the electors of the municipalities or parish as provided by Article VI, Section 5 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974."

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. 33—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 9:5633(A)(2)(c), relative to three year acquisitive prescription; to provide for acquisition of blighted property; to provide for the filing of certain affidavits and judgments; 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. 33 by Senator Murray

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 15, after "Authority" and before the comma "," insert the following:

"stating that all appeals and appeal delays have run, and that the judgment declaring or certifying the property as blighted is final"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 17, after "blighted" and before "shall" insert "**prior to August 29, 2005,**"

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. 42—
BY SENATOR LENTINI

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:63(E), relative to judicial districts and judgeships; to authorize the Judicial Council to review and make certain recommendations to the legislature concerning certain judgeships; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Judiciary A.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to Original Senate Bill No. 42 by Senator Lentini

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, change "63" to "61"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, delete "judgeships" and insert "matters"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete line 10 and insert "and, not later than February"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 13, delete "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 16, after "each district" and before "and the" insert " , the need for district merger or other actions, "

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

SENATE BILL NO. 45—

BY SENATORS BAJOIE AND MURRAY AND REPRESENTATIVE DORSEY

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 3-C of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:600.71 through 600.75, relative to housing recovery centers; to provide for definitions; to provide for the creation, powers, duties, functions and responsibilities of such centers; 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. 45 by Senator Bajoie

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 5, after "center;" and before "to" insert "to provide for a termination date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, at the end of line 4, after "**shortage**" insert "**for both homeowners and renters**"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 9, after "**by**" delete "**the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and**"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

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On page 2, delete lines 16 and 17 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, at the beginning of line 18, change "(2)" to "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, at the end of line 19, delete "as a community housing"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, delete line 20

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, at the beginning of line 21, delete "subdivision"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 24, change "(3)" to "(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 25, change "(4)" to "(3)"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, line 19, change "(5)" to "(4)"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 4, line 7, between "persons" and "and property" insert ", who were homeowners or renters,"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 4, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following: "Section 2. Chapter 3-C of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 40:600.71 through 600.75, is hereby repealed in its entirety."

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 4, line 9, change "Section 2. This" to "Section 3. This Section and Section 1 of this"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 4, line 12, between "legislature," and "this" inset "this Section and Section 1 of"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 4, after line 13, insert the following: "Section 4. Section 2 of this Act shall become effective on June 30, 2011."

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. 46— BY SENATOR DUPRE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:291(F)(1) and (2)(introductory paragraph) and (f), (P)(1), and (T)(1) and to repeal R.S. 38:291(F)(2)(g), relative to the reorganization of certain levee districts in Lafourche Parish; to change the boundaries of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District and the Lafourche Basin Levee District; to provide for exclusive jurisdiction of the South Lafourche Levee District; to provide relative to boards of commissioners; to provide for the transfer of certain property and documents; 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. 46 by Senator Dupre

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "(T)(1)" insert ", to enact R.S. 38:329.1 and 329.2,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 6, after "District" delete the semi-colon and insert "and its powers and duties;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 8, after "documents;" and before "and to" insert "to provide relative to certain payments;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 11, after "reenacted" insert ", and R.S. 38:329.1 and 329.2 are hereby enacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, between lines 22 and 23, insert as follows: "§329.1. South Lafourche Levee District; additional powers and duties; certain payments

A. In addition to any other powers and duties provided by law, the primary duty of the district shall be to establish, construct, operate, or maintain flood control works as they relate to hurricane protection, tidewater flooding, saltwater intrusion, and conservation. As a secondary duty, the district shall have the authority to establish flood control, adequate drainage relating to tidal or riverine flooding, and water resources development including but not limited to construction of reservoirs, diversion canals, gravity and pump drainage systems, erosion control measures, and marsh management. The district shall have the authority to construct and maintain drainage works of all types as they relate to tidewater flooding, hurricane protection, conservation, and saltwater intrusion, either in cooperation with one or more parishes, municipalities, levee districts, drainage districts, or other special districts within its jurisdiction, or upon its own undertaking.

B. Because the Lafourche Basin Levee District continues to provide mainline Mississippi River levee protection which is beneficial to Lafourche Parish, the South Lafourche Levee District shall make payments to the Lafourche Basin Levee District as follows:

(1) For the year 2007, fifty percent of the 2006 mineral revenues received on any lands within the boundaries of the South Lafourche Levee District that were previously owned by the Lafourche Basin Levee District.

(2) For the year 2008, thirty-five percent of the 2007 mineral revenues received on any lands within the boundaries of the South Lafourche Levee District that were previously owned by the Lafourche Basin Levee District.

(3) For the year 2009 and thereafter, twenty-five percent of the mineral revenues received on any lands within the boundaries of the South Lafourche Levee District that were previously owned by the Lafourche Basin Levee District.

§329.2. North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District; certain payments

Because the Lafourche Basin Levee District continues to provide mainline Mississippi River levee protection which is beneficial to Lafourche Parish, the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District shall make payments to the Lafourche Basin Levee District as follows:

(1) For the year 2007, fifty percent of both the 2006 ad valorem taxes collected and mineral revenues received on any lands within the boundaries of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District that were previously owned by the Lafourche Basin Levee District.

(2) For the year 2008, thirty-five percent of both the 2007 ad valorem taxes collected and mineral revenues received on any lands within the boundaries of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District that were previously owned by the Lafourche Basin Levee District.

(3) For the year 2009 and thereafter, twenty-five percent of both the ad valorem taxes collected for the tax year 2008 and thereafter and mineral revenues received on any lands within the boundaries of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and

Drainage District that were previously owned by the Lafourche Basin Levee District.**AMENDMENT NO. 6**

On page 4, after line 5, insert:

"Section 5. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2007; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2007, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later."

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. 49—

BY SENATORS DUPLESSIS, HINES AND MOUNT AND REPRESENTATIVES DORSEY, GALLOT, HAMMETT AND SALTER
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 3-C of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:600.50 through 600.62, relative to the Louisiana Housing and Land Trust; to create and provide for such trust and its board of directors and their powers, duties, functions and responsibilities, to provide a tax exemption status for the trust; to provide a termination date for the trust; to provide 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. 49 by Senator Duplessis

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, delete "R.S. 40:600.50 through 600.62" and insert "R.S. 40:600.51 through 600.63"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, after "responsibilities" delete the comma "," and insert a semicolon ";"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 10, delete "R.S. 40:600.50 through 600.62" and insert "R.S. 40:600.51 through 600.63"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 12, delete "**600.50**" and insert "**600.51**" and delete "**Title**" and insert "**title**"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 14, delete "**Chapter**" and insert "**Act**"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, line 15, delete "**600.51**" and insert "**600.52**"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2 line 4, after "**state**" insert a comma ",."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 19, delete "**600.52**" and insert "**600.53**" and delete "**Trust**" and insert "**trust**"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 3, line 1, after "**the**" delete "**program**"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, line 8, delete "**600.53**" and insert "**600.54**"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, line 12, delete "**Chairman**" and insert "**chairman**"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, line 13, delete "**Chairman**" and insert "**chairman**"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, line 16, delete "**President**" and insert "**president**"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 3, line 22, after "**the**" insert "**College of Urban and Public Affairs at the University of New Orleans,**"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 3, line 26, delete "**two**" and insert "**four**"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 3, line 26, delete "**must**" and insert "**shall**"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 3, line 27, after "**area**" insert "**as provided in R.S. 40:600.52(D)**" and after the period "." and before "**The members**" insert "**One member shall be from the north shore region of the state, one member shall be from the southwest region of the state, and two members shall be from the New Orleans area.**"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

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

G. The board and its records shall be subject to the Open Meetings Law and the Public Records Law.

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 4, line 15, delete "**600.54**" and insert "**600.55**"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 4, line 25, delete "**600.55**" and insert "**600.56**" and after "**Mission,**" delete the remainder of the line and insert "**powers and duties of the trust**"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 6, line 7, delete "**Act**" and insert "**Chapter**"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 6, line 9, after "**legal,**" insert "**appraisal**"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 6, line 12, delete "**600.56**" and insert "**600.57**"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 6, line 17, delete "**600.57**" and insert "**600.58**" and after "**Economic**" delete the remainder of the line and insert "**assistance authority and activities**"

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 6, line 18, delete "**Housing Resource**" and insert "**housing resource**"

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 6, line 19, delete "**Centers**" and insert "**centers**"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 6, line 28, delete "**600.58**" and insert "**600.59**" and after "**Property**" delete the remainder of the line and insert "**acquisition authority and activities**"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 7, line 25, after "**the**" and before "**fair**" insert "**pre-event**"

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 7, line 26, delete "**600.59**" and insert "**600.60**" and after "**Redevelopment**" delete the remainder of the line and insert "**authority and activities**"

AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 8, line 15, delete "**600.60**" and insert "**600.61**" and after "**Asset**" delete the remainder of the line and insert "**disposition authority and activities**"

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AMENDMENT NO. 31
On page 8, line 27, delete "20%" and insert "twenty percent"

AMENDMENT NO. 32
On page 8, line 29, delete "60%" and insert "sixty percent"

AMENDMENT NO. 33
On page 8, line 29, after "AMI" insert "jurisdiction of the property"

AMENDMENT NO. 34
On page 8, line 29, after "below" and before the "." insert "and fifteen percent of residential units on trust-recovered land be affordable housing to residents earning above sixty percent of AMI"

AMENDMENT NO. 35
On page 9, line 3, after "trust" delete "shall" and insert "may" and after "dispose" delete "of the remainder"

AMENDMENT NO. 36
On page 9, line 4, after "based" delete "organizations" and insert "institutions as authorized by the Constitution of Louisiana"

AMENDMENT NO. 37
On page 9 line 10, delete "600.61" and insert "600.62"

AMENDMENT NO. 38
On page 9, line 22, delete "600.62" and insert "600.63" and delete "Trust" and insert "trust"

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 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. 4—
BY SENATORS B. GAUTREUX, AMEDEE, CAIN, DUPRE, N. GAUTREUX, HEITMEIER, THEUNISSEN AND ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVE JACK SMITH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:331, relative to levees; to reorganize the structure of certain coastal levee boards; to create and provide for the Coastal Louisiana Levee Consortium; to provide for its purposes; to provide for membership; to provide for its duties and functions; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns of names: Mr. President, Dupre, Kostelka, Adley, Ellington, Marionneaux, Bajoue, Fields, McPherson, Broome, Fontenot, Michot, Cain, Gautreaux B, Mount, Chaisson, Gautreaux N, Murray, Cheek, Heitmeier, Nevers, Cravins, Hollis, Romero, Dardenne, Jackson, Shepherd, Duplessis, Jones, Theunissen

Total - 30

NAYS

Barham, Boasso, Total - 6, Lentini, Malone, Schedler, Smith

ABSENT

Amedee, Total - 3, Quinn, Ullo

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

SENATE BILL NO. 8—
BY SENATORS BOASSO AND MOUNT AND REPRESENTATIVES K. CARTER, DORSEY, SALTER AND SCALISE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:291(D)(2), (G)(2), (K)(2), (L)(1), and (R)(2), 301(B), 304(A) and (B), 305, and 313(C), R.S. 42:808(A)(10), and R.S. 49:213.1(C), 213.4(A)(2), 213.5(A)(10), and 213.6(A)(2)(b), to enact, R.S. 38:291(V), (W), (X), and (Y), 304(D), and Part 3-A of Chapter 4 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 38:330.1 through 330.12, and to repeal R.S. 38:291(D)(3), 304.2, and 304.3, relative to flood protection; to establish the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority; to provide for its powers, duties, jurisdiction, and members; to provide for appointments to the board of commissioners of the authority; to provide for qualifications of commissioners; to provide for meetings of the board; to establish regions within the authority and provide for its governance, powers, and duties; to provide for the management of certain levee districts in areas of southeast Louisiana; to retain the territorial limits of such levee districts; to terminate the terms of commissioners on certain levee boards and to reorganize the governance of such levee districts; to transfer authority, duties, powers, functions, and responsibilities from such levee boards to the authority; to provide for obligations, tax proceeds, and property of the district; to provide for a regional director; to create and provide for the Livingston Levee District; to create and provide for the St. Tammany Levee District; to create and provide for the Tangipahoa Levee District; to create and provide for the West Lake Pontchartrain Levee District; to create and provide for the Mississippi River East Region within the authority; to create and provide for the Mississippi River West Region within the authority; to provide for funding; to transfer and provide for the management and control of certain facilities and improvements of levee districts within the authority that are not related to flood protection and to provide for the allocation of revenue derived therefrom; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Motion

On motion of Senator Boasso, Senate Bill No. 8 was made Special Order of the Day No. 1 on Sunday, February 12, 2006, immediately following the Morning Hour.

SENATE BILL NO. 9—
BY SENATOR BOASSO AND REPRESENTATIVE K. CARTER AND SENATOR MOUNT AND REPRESENTATIVES DORSEY AND SALTER

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Section 38(A) and Section 39(A) and to add Section 38.1 of Article VI of the Constitution of Louisiana and to redesignate the title to Part III of said Article, relative to flood protection; to provide for the establishment of a regional flood protection authority and its governing authority, powers, duties, functions; to provide for the governing authority of levee districts within the territorial jurisdiction of the regional flood protection authority; to provide for the establishment of regions within the authority; to provide for taxing authority; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Motion

On motion of Senator Boasso, Senate Bill No. 9 was made Special Order of the Day No. 2 on Sunday, February 12, 2006, immediately following the Morning Hour.

SENATE BILL NO. 16—
BY SENATOR JONES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:401.3(B) and to enact R.S. 18:401.4, relative to the conduct of elections impaired as a result of a gubernatorially declared disaster or emergency; to provide relative to the registration of voters; provide for early voting by mail for persons who registered by mail; to provide for the authority of a voter who has registered by mail who has not previously voted in the parish in which he is registered during certain emergencies; to require an affidavit attesting to the voter's eligibility; to provide for the effectiveness of such provisions; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Jones sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Jones to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 16 by Senator Jones

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 22 change "**before September 24, 2005,** to "**after October 5, 2004, but prior to September 25, 2005.**"

On page 2, line 27, after "**election day.**" insert the following: "**He shall sign such affidavit before a notary public or two witnesses. If signed before two witnesses, the witnesses shall also sign the affidavit and such affidavit shall be made under penalty of perjury for providing false or fraudulent information.**"

Motion

Senator Jones moved for a division of the question on the floor amendments.

Without objection, the division of the question was ordered.

Senator Jones moved the adoption of Amendment No. 1.

Without objection, Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

Senator Jones moved the adoption of Amendment No. 2.

Without objection, Amendment No. 2 was adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Ellington	McPherson
Bajoie	Fields	Mount
Boasso	Gautreaux B	Murray
Broome	Gautreaux N	Nevers
Cain	Heitmeier	Quinn
Chaisson	Hollis	Schedler
Cravins	Jackson	Shepherd
Duplessis	Jones	Ullo
Dupre	Marionneaux	
Total - 26		

NAYS

Adley	Fontenot	Michot
Barham	Kostelka	Romero
Cheek	Lentini	Smith
Dardenne	Malone	Theunissen
Total - 12		

ABSENT

Amedee
Total - 1

The Chair declared the amended 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. 22—
BY SENATOR SHEPHERD

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:1319, relative to early voting in an election conducted pursuant to an emergency plan; to require providing for early voting in the office of any registrar of voters in the state under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of such requirement; to provide for reporting; to provide relative to the effectiveness of this provision; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Dupre sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Dupre to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 22 by Senator Shepherd

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 15 after "**voting period**" delete remainder of line and delete lines 16 and 17 and insert the following: "**for such election at any office of the registrar in any parish with a population of 104,000 or more according to the most recent federal decennial census. Such registrar may**"

On motion of Senator Dupre, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Dupre	Marionneaux
Adley	Ellington	McPherson
Bajoie	Fields	Michot
Barham	Fontenot	Mount
Boasso	Gautreaux B	Murray
Broome	Gautreaux N	Nevers
Cain	Heitmeier	Quinn
Chaisson	Jackson	Romero
Cheek	Jones	Schedler
Cravins	Kostelka	Shepherd
Dardenne	Lentini	
Duplessis	Malone	
Total - 34		

NAYS

Hollis	Theunissen
Smith	Ullo
Total - 4	

ABSENT

Amedee
Total - 1

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

Rules Suspended

Senator Ullo 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 referring them to committee.

SENATE BILL NO. 53—
BY SENATOR NEVERS

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article I, Section 4(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the expropriation of property; to prohibit the expropriation of property for use by or transfer to any private person under certain circumstances; to provide for the definition of "public purposes"; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 54—
BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

AN ACT

To enact Part VIII of Chapter 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 39:2374.1, relative to use and distribution of the proceeds received from the incurrence of debt or the issuance of bonds as a result of natural catastrophes; to create the Louisiana Business Recovery Assistance Program and provide for its funding; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 55—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact To amend and reenact R.S. 29:726(F), relative to the office of homeland security and emergency preparedness; to include within the authority and responsibilities of the office to develop a wireless communications system; to include within the system coordination between local and state responders; to include within the system a component that includes direct communication during an emergency between authorities, media, and citizens; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 56—
BY SENATOR HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:4(B)(1)(n) and 801.1(A) and to enact Chapter 6-A of Title 29 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 29:739.1 through 739.9, relative to the Louisiana Recovery Authority; to establish the authority as a statutory entity; to provide for a board and its membership, powers and duties; to provide for an executive director and his duties and responsibilities; to provide that employees of the authority shall be in the unclassified service of the state; to provide for prior review and approval of spending proposals by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget; to provide for quarterly reports; to provide for audits; and to provide for related matters.

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

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

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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. 47—
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:291(F)(1) and (2)(introductory paragraph) and (f), (P)(1), and (T)(1) and to repeal R.S. 38:291(F)(2)(g), relative to the consolidation of certain levee districts in Lafourche Parish; to change the boundaries of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District and the Lafourche Basin Levee District; to provide for exclusive jurisdiction of the South Lafourche Levee District; to provide relative to boards of commissioners; to provide for the transfer of certain property and documents; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 3—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Sections 9(A) and 13 of Act 465 of the 2005 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to revenue sharing; to provide for certain parish allocations for Fiscal Year 2005-2006; to provide with respect to the distribution of revenue sharing allocations in Orleans, Jefferson, Plaquemines, and St. Bernard parishes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 4—
BY REPRESENTATIVES LAFONTA, BRUNEAU, RICHMOND, ALARIO, BADON, BARROW, BAYLOR, BEARD, BRUCE, BURRELL, K. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRAVINS, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DORSEY, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, GLOVER, GRAY, GREENE, E. GUILLORY, HARRIS, HEATON, HILL, HONEY, HUNTER, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, KATZ, KENNEY, KLECKLEY, LAFLEUR, MARCHAND, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MORRELL, ODINET, PIERRE, T. POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RITCHIE, ROMERO, SALTER, GARY SMITH, JANE SMITH, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, WADDELL, AND WOOTON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 6:337 and to repeal R.S. 10:9-211, relative to insurance; to provide for handling and distribution of insurance settlement payments on homeowners' insurance claims; to provide for distribution of insurance settlement payment in excess of unpaid portion of secured indebtedness; to provide for enforcement; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10—
BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 10:9-211(a) and (c), relative to settlement proceeds from homeowners' insurance policies; to provide for placement of proceeds into interest-bearing accounts; to provide for a definition; and to provide for related matters.

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Sections 9(A) and 13 of Act 465 of the 2005 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to revenue sharing; to provide for certain parish allocations for Fiscal Year 2005-2006; to provide with respect to the distribution of revenue sharing allocations in Orleans, Jefferson, Plaquemines, and St. Bernard parishes; 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 Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVES LAFONTA, BRUNEAU, RICHMOND, ALARIO, BADON, BARROW, BAYLOR, BEARD, BRUCE, BURRELL, K. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRAVINS, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DORSEY, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, GLOVER, GRAY, GREENE, E. GUILLORY, HARRIS, HEATON, HILL, HONEY, HUNTER, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, KATZ, KENNEY, KLECKLEY, LAFLEUR, MARCHAND, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MORRELL, ODINET, PIERRE, T. POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RITCHIE, ROMERO, SALTER, GARY SMITH, JANE SMITH, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, WADDELL, AND WOOTON
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On motion of Senator Bajoie, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Insurance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 10:9-211(a) and (c), relative to settlement proceeds from homeowners' insurance policies; to provide for placement of proceeds into interest-bearing accounts; to provide for a definition; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 47—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:291(F)(1) and (2)(introductory paragraph) and (f), (P)(1), and (T)(1) and to repeal R.S. 38:291(F)(2)(g), relative to the consolidation of certain levee districts in Lafourche Parish; to change the boundaries of the North Lafourche Conservation, Levee and Drainage District and the Lafourche Basin Levee District; to provide for exclusive jurisdiction of the South Lafourche Levee District; to provide relative to boards of commissioners; to provide for the transfer of certain property and documents; 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.

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:

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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. 3—

BY SENATORS JACKSON, ADLEY, AMEDEE, BAJOIE, BARHAM, BOASSO, BROOME, CAIN, CHAISSON, CHEEK, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, EL LINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEITMEIER, HINES, HOLLIS, JONES, KOSTELKA, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAU, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MOUNT, MURRAY, NEVERS, QUINN, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SHEPHERD, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BADON, BALDONE, BARROW, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BRUCE, BURNS, BURRELL, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CRAVINS, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEWITT, DOERGE, DORSEY, DOVE, DOWNS, DURAND, ERDEY, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, GALLOT, GEYMANN, GLOVER, GRAY, GREENE, E. GUILLORY, M. GUILLORY, HAMMETT, HARRIS, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HOPKINS, HUNTER, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, KLECKLEY, LAFLEUR, LAFONTA, LAMBERT, LANCASTER, MARCHAND, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRISH, ODINET, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, M. POWELL, T. POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROBIDEAU, ROMERO, SALTER, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRAHAN, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALKER, WHITE, WINSTON AND WOOTON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of the first lady of the civil rights movement, Coretta Scott King, and to celebrate her life and legacy.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—

BY SENATORS JONES, ADLEY, AMEDEE, BAJOIE, BARHAM, BOASSO, BROOME, CAIN, CHAISSON, CHEEK, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEITMEIER, HINES, HOLLIS, JACKSON, KOSTELKA, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAU, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MOUNT, MURRAY, NEVERS, QUINN, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SHEPHERD, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BADON, BALDONE, BARROW, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BRUCE, BURNS, BURRELL, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CRAVINS, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEWITT, DOERGE, DORSEY, DOVE, DOWNS, DURAND, ERDEY, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, GALLOT, GEYMANN, GLOVER, GRAY, GREENE, E. GUILLORY, M. GUILLORY, HAMMETT, HARRIS, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HOPKINS, HUNTER, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, KLECKLEY, LAFLEUR, LAFONTA, LAMBERT, LANCASTER, MARCHAND, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRISH, ODINET, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, M. POWELL, T. POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROBIDEAU, ROMERO, SALTER, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRAHAN, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALKER, WHITE, WINSTON AND WOOTON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of the first lady of the civil rights movement, Coretta Scott King, and to celebrate her life and legacy.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6—

BY SENATORS ELLINGTON AND BARHAM AND REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT, KENNEY, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of political columnist Sam Hanna and to offer

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the enduring gratitude of the members of the legislature for his outstanding contributions to the state of Louisiana.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8—

BY SENATORS BAJIOIE, MURRAY, JACKSON, ADLEY, AMEDEE, BARHAM, BOASSO, BROOME, CAIN, CHEEK, DARDENNE, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, FIELDS, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HINES, JONES, KOSTELKA, LENTINI, MARIONNEAUX, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SHEPHERD AND THEUNISSEN AND REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BADON, BALDONE, BARROW, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BRUCE, BRUNEAU, BURNS, BURRELL, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CRAVINS, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEWITT, DOERGE, DORSEY, DOVE, DOWNS, DURAND, ERDEY, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, GALLOT, GEYMAN, GLOVER, GRAY, GREENE, E. GUILLORY, M. GUILLORY, HAMMETT, HARRIS, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HOPKINS, HUNTER, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, KLECKLEY, LABRUZZO, LAFLEUR, LAFONTA, LAMBERT, LANCASTER, MARCHAND, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRISH, ODINET, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, M. POWELL, T. POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROBIDEAUX, ROMERO, SALTER, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRAHAN, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALKER, WALSWORTH, WHITE, WINSTON AND WOOTON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the "Women of the Storm" for their non-partisan activism in encouraging members of Congress to visit post-Katrina New Orleans to view the devastation firsthand in hopes of receiving increased federal funds.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—

BY SENATORS HINES, ADLEY, AMEDEE, BAJIOIE, BARHAM, BOASSO, BROOME, CAIN, CHAISSON, CHEEK, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEITMEIER, HOLLIS, JACKSON, JONES, KOSTELKA, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MOUNT, MURRAY, NEVERS, QUINN, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SHEPHERD, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND ULLO

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of a true legend in Louisiana politics, Edwin L. Reed.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES D. JONES
Chairman

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

Leaves of Absence

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

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Adjournment

Senator Bajoie moved that the Senate adjourn until Friday, February 10, 2006, at 1:00 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned until 1:00 o'clock P.M. on Friday, February 10, 2006.

GLENN A. KOEPP
Secretary of the Senate

GAYE F. HAMILTON
Journal Clerk