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THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

Thirty-Third Regular Session of the Legislature Under the Adoption of the Constitution of 1974

> Senate Chamber State Capitol Baton Rouge, Louisiana

> > Wednesday, May 2, 2007

The Senate was called to order at 10:00 o'clock A.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	Dupre	Marionneaux
Adley	Ellington	McPherson
Amedee	Fields	Michot
Bajoie	Fontenot	Murray
Barham	Gautreaux B	Nevers
Boasso	Heitmeier	Quinn
Broome	Hollis	Romero
Cain	Jackson	Schedler
Cassidy	Jones	Smith
Cheek	Kostelka	Theunissen
Cravins	Lentini	Ullo
Duplessis	Malone	

Total - 35 **ABSENT**

Chaisson Mount Gautreaux N Shepherd

Total - 4

The President of the Senate announced there were 35 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Pastor Gordon Atwell, 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

May 1, 2007

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. 5—

BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Sharlene N. Algaier of Woodlake Elementary School upon being selected as Louisiana's Outstanding Law-Related/Civic Education Teacher of the Year Award for 2006-2007.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9— BY SENATOR FONTEN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana to the family of Anthony "Tony" Dugas.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—BY SENATOR KOSTELKA

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Sam Wilkinson for his thirty years of dedicated service to Louisiana Tech University athletics and to congratulate him upon the occasion of his retirement.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17—

BY SENATOR ELLINGTON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the United Parcel Service of America, Inc., on the occasion of its centennial celebration and to recognize its contributions to the citizens of Louisiana.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—

BY SENATOR MCPHERSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Dr. Robert Cavanaugh on his dedication and service to the students and staff of Louisiana State University at Alexandria, and for his many years of significant achievement, and to recognize and record his myriad accomplishments and his remarkable contributions to the university, to his community, and to the state.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23— BY SENATOR HINES AND REPRESENTATIVE SALTER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To invite Chief Justice Pascal F. Calogero, Jr., of the Louisiana Supreme Court to address a joint session of the legislature.

Reported without amendments.

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

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:

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 11—

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

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Catherine Pearson Callahan.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 12—

BY SENATOR CRAVINS

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana to the family of United States Marine Corps Lance Corporal Willie P. Celestine Jr., upon his death in ground combat operations in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32—BY SENATOR HOLLIS AND REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Republic of China on Taiwan for its contributions to promoting world health and to express support for its bid to obtain observer status in the World Health Organization.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham	Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Heitmeier	McPherson Michot Murray Nevers Quinn
Broome	Hollis	Romero
Cain	Jackson	Schedler
Cassidy	Jones	Smith
Cheek	Kostelka	Theunissen
Cravins	Lentini	Ullo
Duplessis	Malone	
Dupre	Marionneaux	

Total - 34

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Gautreaux N Shepherd Boasso Chaisson Mount

Total - 5

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33—

BY SENATOR MALONE A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express legislative intent for the meaning of Act 1492 of the 1997 Regular Session relative to pardons and the right to qualify for office and hold office.

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

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34— BY SENATORS B. GAUTREAUX AND DUPRE A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and other appropriate entities to consider the feasibility of certain activities in implementing coastal protection and restoration projects.

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

Senate Resolutions on Second Reading

The following Senate Resolutions on second reading were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10— BY SENATOR MICHOT

A RESOLUTION

To proclaim the month of May, 2007, as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, ALS Awareness Month.

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

Senate Resolutions on Second Reading, Subject to Call

The following Senate Resolutions on second reading, subject to call, were taken up and acted upon as follows:

Called from the Calendar

Senator Schedler asked that Senate Resolution No. 7 be called from the Calendar at this time.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7—

BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Captain Rob Callahan of the Slidell Police Department.

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

Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions on second reading, were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28—
BY SENATORS DUPRE AND B. GAUTREAUX AND REPRESENTATIVES
BALDONE, DARTEZ AND DOVE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of James Buquet, Jr., philanthropist, business owner, banker, civic leader, veteran, and one of Louisiana's greatest benefactors.

On motion of Senator Dupre, 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

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Message from the House

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

May 1, 2007

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24—BY REPRESENTATIVE BOWLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate July 22, 2007, as "Parents' Day".

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 43— BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 70 within Assumption Parish as Veterans Memorial Highway and to erect proper signage along this route reflecting this designation.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACK SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Edward J. Valeau, Ed.D., a native of Patterson, Louisiana, upon his retirement as superintendent/president of Hartnell College in Salinas, California.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 49—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ERDEY
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Mr. Herman Crotwell of Denham Springs for fifty years of service in the pharmacy business and for his dedication to meeting the health care needs of the people of his area.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51— BY REPRESENTATIVE QUEZAIRE A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to erect appropriate directional signage on Interstate 10 in Sorrento, Louisiana, indicating the location of River Parishes Community College.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53— BY REPRESENTATIVE ODINET

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to repair the Ostrica Locks in lower Plaquemines Parish.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BADON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Alec Gifford upon his retirement from WDSU-TV in New Orleans after a remarkable fifty-one-year career in television news.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57—BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize Ouachita Parish upon the memorable and joyous occasion of the celebration of its two hundredth anniversary.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 59-

BY REPRESENTATIVE DORSE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the governor to declare a state day of remembrance on September 25 for murder victims in support of the goals and ideals of a National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 60— BY REPRESENTATIVE DORSEY A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To request that the Department of Transportation and Development designate the portion of Interstate 110 at Harding Boulevard in East Baton Rouge Parish as "Military Order of Purple Heart Memorial Highway, Chapter 177" and erect proper signage along this route reflecting this designation.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 61—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DORSEY
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to support the goals and ideals of a National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 62—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HONE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize May 24th annually as Aviation Maintenance Technician Day in honor of Charles Edward Taylor, the world's first airplane mechanic.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 65— BY REPRESENTATIVE MCDONALD AND SENATOR THEUNISSEN A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Jack L. Guinn upon his retirement as executive director of the Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission after eighteen highly productive years in that position and a total of twenty-one years of state service that followed a twenty-twoyear career in the United States Army.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 67— BY REPRESENTATIVE ODINET A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to expedite the repair and rebuilding of the St. Bernard Parish levee system by all appropriate federal agencies and to close the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet.

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

House Concurrent Resolutions

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24—BY REPRESENTATIVE BOWLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate July 22, 2007, as "Parents' Day".

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Boasso Broome Cain	Duplessis Dupre Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Heitmeier Hollis	Malone Marionneaux McPherson Michot Murray Nevers Quinn Romero
Cassidy	Jackson	Smith

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Cheek Jones Theunissen Cravins Lentini Ullo

Total - 33

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Chaisson Schedler Kostelka Gautreaux N Mount Shepherd

Total - 6

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 43—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 70 within Assumption Parish as Veterans Memorial Highway and to erect proper signage along this route reflecting this designation.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACK SMITH
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Edward J. Valeau, Ed.D., a native of Patterson, Louisiana, upon his retirement as superintendent/president of Hartnell College in Salinas, California.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Dupre	Marionneaux
Ellington	McPherson
Fields	Michot
Fontenot	Murray
Gautreaux B	Nevers
Heitmeier	Quinn
Hollis	Romero
Jackson	Schedler
Jones	Smith
Kostelka	Theunissen
Lentini	Ullo
Malone	
	Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini

Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Chaisson Mount Shepherd Gautreaux N

Total - 4

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 49— BY REPRESENTATIVE ERDEY A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Mr. Herman Crotwell of Denham Springs for fifty years of service in the pharmacy business and for his dedication to meeting the health care needs of the people of his area.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President	Dupre	Marionneaux
Adley	Ellington	McPherson
Amedee	Fields	Michot
Bajoie	Fontenot	Murray
Barham	Gautreaux B	Nevers
Boasso	Heitmeier	Quinn
Broome	Hollis	Romero
Cain	Jackson	Schedler
Cassidy	Jones	Smith
Cheek	Kostelka	Theunissen
Cravins	Lentini	Ullo
Duplessis	Malone	

Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Chaisson Mount Gautreaux N Shepherd Total - 4

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51— BY REPRESENTATIVE QUEZAIRE A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to erect appropriate directional signage on Interstate 10 in Sorrento, Louisiana, indicating the location of River Parishes Community College.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53— BY REPRESENTATIVE ODINET A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54— BY REPRESENTATIVE BADON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Alec Gifford upon his retirement from WDSU-TV in New Orleans after a remarkable fifty-one-year career in television news.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Dupre Marionneaux Ellington Adley McPherson

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Amedee	Fields	Michot
Bajoie	Fontenot	Murray
Barham	Gautreaux B	Nevers
Boasso	Heitmeier	Quinn
Broome	Hollis	Romero
Cain	Jackson	Schedler
Cassidy	Jones	Smith
Cheek	Kostelka	Theunissen
Cravins	Lentini	Ullo

Malone

Duplessis Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Chaisson Mount Gautreaux N Shepherd

Total - 4

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57— BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize Ouachita Parish upon the memorable and joyous occasion of the celebration of its two hundredth anniversary.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President	Dupre	Marionneaux
Adley	Ellington	McPherson
Amedee	Fields	Michot
Bajoie	Fontenot	Murray
Barham	Gautreaux B	Nevers
Boasso	Heitmeier	Quinn
Broome	Hollis	Romero
Cain	Jackson	Schedler
Cassidy	Jones	Smith
Cheek	Kostelka	Theunissen
Cravins	Lentini	Ullo
Duplessis	Malone	

Duplessis Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Chaisson Mount Gautreaux N Shepherd

Total - 4

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 59—BY REPRESENTATIVE DORSEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the governor to declare a state day of remembrance on September 25 for murder victims in support of the goals and ideals of a National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President	Dupre	Marionneaux
Adley	Dupre Ellington	McPherson
Amedee	Fields	Michot
Bajoie	Fontenot	Murray
Barham	Gautreaux B	Nevers
Boasso	Heitmeier	Quinn
Broome	Hollis	Romero
Cain	Jackson	Schedler
Cassidy	Jones	Smith
Cheek	Kostelka	Theunissen
Cravins	Lentini	Ullo
Duplessis	Malone	
Duplessis Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

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To request that the Department of Transportation and Development designate the portion of Interstate 110 at Harding Boulevard in East Baton Rouge Parish as "Military Order of Purple Heart Memorial Highway, Chapter 177" and erect proper signage along this route reflecting this designation.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 61—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DORSEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to support the goals and ideals of a National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President	Dupre	Marionneaux
Adley	Ellington	McPherson
Amedee	Fields	Michot
Bajoie	Fontenot	Murray
Barham	Gautreaux B	Nevers
Boasso	Heitmeier	Quinn
Broome	Hollis	Romero
Cain	Jackson	Schedler
Cassidy	Jones	Smith
Cheek	Kostelka	Theunissen
Cravins	Lentini	Ullo
Duplessis	Malone	
Total - 35		

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NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Chaisson Mount Shepherd Gautreaux N

Total - 4

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 62—BY REPRESENTATIVE HONEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize May 24th annually as Aviation Maintenance Technician Day in honor of Charles Edward Taylor, the world's first airplane mechanic.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Dupre	Marionneaux
Ellington	McPherson
Fields	Michot
Fontenot	Murray
Gautreaux B	Nevers
Heitmeier	Quinn
Hollis	Romero
Jackson	Schedler
Jones	Smith
Kostelka	Theunissen
Lentini	Ullo
	Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka

Malone

Duplessis Total - 35

Total - 0

ABSENT

NAYS

Chaisson Mount Gautreaux N Shepherd

Total - 4

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 65-

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCDONALD AND SENATOR THEUNISSEN A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Jack L. Guinn upon his retirement as executive director of the Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission after eighteen highly productive years in that position and a total of twenty-one years of state service that followed a twenty-twoyear career in the United States Army.

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	Dupre	Marionneaux
Adley	Ellington	McPherson
Amedee	Fields	Michot

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Fontenot	Murray
Gautreaux B	Nevers
Heitmeier	Quinn
Hollis	Romero
Jackson	Schedler
Jones	Smith
Kostelka	Theunissen
Lentini	Ullo
Malone	
	Gautreaux B Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini

Duplessis

Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Chaisson Mount Gautreaux N Shepherd

Total - 4

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 67— BY REPRESENTATIVE ODINET A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to expedite the repair and rebuilding of the St. Bernard Parish levee system by all appropriate federal agencies and to close the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet.

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

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

HEALTH AND WELFARE

Senator William Joseph McPherson, Jr., Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Health and Welfare, submitted the following report:

May 2, 2007

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Health and Welfare to submit the following report:

SENATE BILL NO. 72— BY SENATOR BROOME

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Articles 603(3) and 612(A)(2) and R.S. 46:56(F)(4)(c), relative to child welfare matters; to provide with respect to certain definitions pertaining to child welfare matters; to provide with respect to interviews and access to individuals in investigations of child welfare matters; to provide for the release of information in certain child welfare matters; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 82— BY SENATOR MCPHERSON

AN ACT amend and reenact R.S. 40:2009.11(B)(2)(b) and (3), 2199(B)(2)(b), (B)(3) and (F)(1) and (2), to enact R.S. 40:2199(F)(3) and (4) and 2199.1, relative to nursing homes and health care facilities; to provide for Class B violations for nursing homes and health care facilities licensed or certified by

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the Department of Health and Hospitals; to provide for monthly aggregate fines for nursing homes or health care facilities; to provide for monies collected for violations by health care facilities; to provide for the use of the monies collected for violations by health care facilities; to provide for additional remedies against health care facilities; and to provide for related

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 102-BY SENATOR JACKSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:474(A)(10) and 477(B)(1), relative to functions of the state relating to licensing of child care institutions; to provide for the licensing of day care centers; to provide for the functions of the office of family support; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 206-

BY SENATOR CASSIDY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:34(B)(1)(a)(iii), (B)(1)(h)(i), (B)(1)(h)(iii), (B)(1)(h)(iv), (B)(1)(h)(v) and (B)(1)(h)(vi),relative to the contents of a birth certificate; to provide for the full name of a child on a birth certificate; to provide for the full name of a father on a birth certificate; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted, WILLIAM JOSEPH MCPHERSON, JR. Chairman

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

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions reported by Committees were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE BILL NO. 48— BY SENATOR BOASSO

AN ACT

To enact Subpart P of Part II of Chapter 4 of Subtitle I of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 11:331 through 334, relative to provisions affecting more than one public retirement system; to create the Public Retirement Fund in the state treasury; to create subfunds therein; to provide for allocation of certain monies to the fund; to provide for allocation from the subfunds to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and to the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; to specify purposes for which monies received from the fund shall be used; to provide supplemental monies for the payment of cost-of-living adjustments; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Retirement. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE BILL NO. 83-

BY SENATOR B. GAUTREAUX AND REPRESENTATIVE WHITE AND SENATORS FONTENOT, BARHAM, BOASSO, CRAVINS, HOLLIS, NEVERS AND THEUNISSEN AND REPRESENTATIVES ERDEY, LAMBERT, ST. GERMAIN AND WALSWORTH AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:1331.1, relative to the State Police Pension and Retirement System; to provide for cost-of-living adjustments; to provide an increased benefit for certain beneficiaries of the system; to provide a cost-of-living adjustment of not more than three hundred dollars to certain service and disability retirees and the surviving spouses of such retirees; to provide for

funding of such benefit; to authorize the system's board of trustees to grant additional and supplemental cost-of-living adjustments otherwise permitted by law notwithstanding the legislative grant of the cost-of-living adjustment; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 116—

ATE BILL NO. 116—
BY SENATORS THEUNISSEN, B. GAUTREAUX, HINES, ELLINGTON, MOUNT, BARHAM, BOASSO, CRAVINS AND HOLLIS AND REPRESENTATIVES SALTER, FRITH, JOHNS, JANESMITH, GEYMANN, ELCIE GUILLORY, KLECKLEY, MORRISH AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:542.1 and 883.1.1, relative to cost-of-living increases; to provide for cost-of-living increases payable from the employee experience accounts of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; to authorize the boards of trustees of such systems to grant supplemental increases from such accounts payable July 1, 2007; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Retirement. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed, and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE BILL NO. 127—

BY SENATOR BOASSO

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article X, Section 29(E)(4) and (5) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to retirement and survivor's benefits; to limit creation of additional unfunded accrued liabilities for state retirement systems unless certain conditions are met; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 130-

BY SENATOR BOASSO

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 11:102(B)(5) and to enact Subpart P of Part II of Chapter 4 of Subtitle I of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 11:331 through 334, relative to state retirement systems; to provide with respect to funding for the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; to provide for additional employer contributions for such funding; to create the Public Retirement Fund in the state treasury; to create subfunds therein; to allocate such additional employer contributions to the subfunds; to provide for allocation from the subfunds to the systems; to specify purposes for which monies received from the subfunds shall be used; to provide supplemental monies for the payment of cost-of-living adjustments; to provide for payment and reamortization of the unfunded accrued liabilities of such systems existing as of June 30, 1988; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Retirement.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Retirement to Original Senate Bill No. 130 by Senator Boasso

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 3 after "allocated" and before "and paid" insert "from the state general fund

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AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, line 10 after "allocate" and before the colon ":" insert "from the state general fund"

On motion of Senator B. Gautreaux, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading **Reported by Committees**

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions reported by Committees were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—
BY SENATOR B. GAUTREAUX AND REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER
AND SENATORS HINES, ELLINGTON AND N. GAUTREAUX AND
REPRESENTATIVES SALTER AND JANE SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize the board of trustees of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana to grant cost-of-living increases to eligible benefit recipients; to provide for the maximum amount of such increase; and to provide for an effective date.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Retirement. On motion of Senator B. Gautreaux, the resolution was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

Motion to Recommit

Senator Adley asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules and recommitted Senate Bill No. 133 from the Committee on Environmental Quality to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Leaves of Absence

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Chaisson 1 Day 1 Day N. Gautreaux 1 Day Shepherd Mount 1 Day

Adjournment

Senator Bajoie moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday, May 7, 2007, at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned until 5:00 o'clock P.M. on Monday, May 7, 2007.

> GLENN A. KOEPP Secretary of the Senate

LYNDA E. WHEELER Journal Clerk