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NINTH 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

> > Tuesday, May 15, 2007

The Senate was called to order at 1:30 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 Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Boasso Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis	Dupre Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini Malone	Marionneaux McPherson Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
Total - 39	ABSENT	
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Total - 0

The President of the Senate announced there were 39 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Pastor Ronnie Cuvillier, 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 Ullo, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of yesterday was adopted.

Morning Hour

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. 23— BY SENATORS BROOME, BAJOIE, CHEEK, DUPLESSIS, JACKSON, MOUNT AND QUINN A RESOLUTION

To recognize Thursday, May 17, 2007, as Louisiana Legislators Wear Red Day for Women and to recognize the importance of promoting women's health and well-being.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54-BY SENATOR HINES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION To acknowledge May 16, 2007, as the seventy-fifth anniversary of the dedication of the Louisiana State Capitol.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Barham Boasso Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Total - 25 Total - 0

Cheek Cravins Ellington Fields Gautreaux B Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Lentini

McPherson Murray Romero Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo

NAYS

ABSENT

Bajoie Jones Duplessis Kostelka Dupre Malone Fontenot Marionneaux Gautreaux N Michot Total - 14

Mount Nevers Quinn Schedler

The Chair declared the Senate had adopted the Senate

Concurrent Resolution and ordered it sent to the House.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 55-BY SENATOR CASSIDY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION To commend Nita Clark upon her selection as a 2007 Udall Scholar.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President	Cravins	McPherson
Adley	Dupre	Michot
Amedee	Ellington	Murray
Bajoie	Fields	Romero
Barham	Gautreaux B	Schedler
Boasso	Heitmeier	Shepherd
Broome	Hollis	Smith
Cain	Jackson	Theunissen
Cassidy	Jones	Ullo
Chaisson	Kostelka	
Cheek	Lentini	
Total - 31		
	NAYS	

Total - 0

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ABSENT

Nevers

Ouinn

Duplessis Fontenot Gautreaux N Total - 8

Malone Marionneaux Mount

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

Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 50-

BY SENATOR ELLINGTON A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Pete Mercer of Mangham, Louisiana.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

Duplessis

Ellington

Heitmeier

Dupre

Fields

Hollis

Jones

Jackson

Kostelka

Lentini

Malone

YEAS

Total - 0

McPherson Michot Mount Murrav Gautreaux B Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo

NAYS

ABSENT

Fontenot	Marionneaux	Quinn
Gautreaux N	Nevers	-
Total - 5		

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51— BY SENATOR ELLINGTON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION To commend Kenneth A. Ardoin on the occasion of his retirement

from Pfizer Pharmaceutical Company.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President
Adley
Amedee

Duplessis Dupre Ellington

McPherson Michot Mount

Bajoie Barham Boasso Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Total - 35

Total - 0

Fontenot

Fields Gautreaux B Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini Malone

Murray Nevers Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo

NAYS

ABSENT

Marionneaux Gautreaux N Quinn Total - 4

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

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

May 14, 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 Bills and Joint Resolutions:

HOUSE BILL NO. 149— BY REPRESENTATIVE MARTINY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:9025(B)(1) and to enact R.S. 47:9027. relative to lottery prizes; to provide for the assignment of deferred lottery annuity prizes; to provide for procedures for issuing a court order approving a voluntary assignment; to provide criteria for issuing a court order approving a voluntary assignment; to provide for the establishment of fees to defray administrative costs associated with assignments; to provide for a time period for cancellation of the assignment; to provide limitations and restrictions with respect to assignments; to provide time periods for notice of hearings; to provide time periods regarding action to be taken by the corporation with respect to assignments; to provide with respect to limitations of liability; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 311— BY REPRESENTATIVES JACK SMITH, FRITH, ODINET, PIERRE, AND ST. GERMAIN AND SENATOR B. GAUTREAUX AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:306.4(A)(3) and to repeal R.S. 56:306.4(A)(3), relative to the sale of crawfish from certain regulations; to require certain meetings and a report; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 453-

BY REPRESENTATIVE ODINET AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:424(E)(2) and 433(J) and to enact R.S. 56:424.1, relative to illegal taking of oysters; to provide consistent vessel monitoring penalties for illegal taking of oysters from public seed grounds and leased acreage, for taking oysters from areas closed for health reasons, and for taking undersized oysters; and to provide for related matters.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 514— BY REPRESENTATIVE KENNEY

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 56:327(A)(1)(a) and (b)(i), relative to the sale of largemouth bass; to provide relative to length limitations for bass fingerlings; to exempt certain types of bass from length limitation requirements; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 542— BY REPRESENTATIVES WALKER, ALARIO, ANDERS, ARNOLD, BADON, BARROW, BAUDOIN, BRUCE, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CROWE, CURTIS, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DOERGE, DORSEY, DOVE, DOWNS, DURAND, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, GALLOT, GRAY, ELBERT GUILLORY, HARRIS, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HUNTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, KATZ, LAFLEUR, LAFONTA, MCDONALD, PIERRE, T. POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROMERO, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, STRAIN, TOWNSEND, TRAHAN, TRICHE, WADDELL, WILLIAMS, WINSTON, AND WOOTON AND SENATOR BAIODE AND SENATOR BAJOIE

AN ACT

To enact Part II of Chapter 8 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 46:977.1 through 977.13, relative to the Louisiana Children and Youth Health Insurance Program; to provide for a short title; to provide a purpose; to provide definitions; to provide for the creation of the Louisiana Children and Youth Health Insurance Program; to provide eligibility requirements; to provide for the promulgation of rules; to provide for the enrollment process; to provide for eligibility in the case of future federal legislation; to provide for health care benefits; to provide for cost sharing requirements; to authorize the department to carry out procedures in regard to premiums; to provide for the department's right to recovery; to provide for amendments or waivers of federal requirements; to provide that premium monies be credited to the Health Care Redesign Fund; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 683— BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1241(A)(18), (19), (20), (21), and (22) and to enact R.S. 37:1164(57), (58), (59), and (60) and 1241(A)(23), relative to the Louisiana Pharmacy Practice Act; to provide for the refusal, restriction, suspension, or revocation of the license of a pharmacist if an antiepileptic drug is interchanged without proper notification; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 721-BY REPRESENTATIVE MCVEA

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R S. 22:3031(1)(introductory paragraph), to enact R.S. 22:3031(1)(n) and to repeal R.S. 22:3031(1)(k) and (m), relative to third-party administrators; to delete certain adjusters and managing general agents from the list of exclusions from the definition of a third-party administrator; to exclude an employee of a third-party administrator from the definition of a third-party administrator; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 837-BY REPRESENTATIVE BAUDOIN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1358(B) and to enact R.S. 37:1356(G), (H), and (I) and 1357.1, relative to acupuncture detoxification specialists; to provide definitions; to provide requirements for certification; to provide for promulgation of rules and regulations relative to acupuncture detoxification specialists; to provide relative to an acupuncturist's assistant; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 524— BY REPRESENTATIVE JACK SMITH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 10:9-311(b) and to enact R.S. 10:9-501(a)(3) and Part IV-A of Chapter 4 of Title 34 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 34:852.1 through 852.20, relative to titling of vessels; to provide for titling and registering of vessels; to provide for definitions;

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to provide for certificates of title; to provide for form and content of application for title and certificate of title; to provide for duplicate titles; to provide for exemptions; to provide for manufacturers and dealers; to provide for transfer of and interest in vessels; to provide for liens; to provide for rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on First Reading

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

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

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading to be Referred

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions were read by title and referred to committees as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 103— BY REPRESENTATIVE GARY SMITH AN ACT

To enact R.S. 12:1607, relative to conversion of business organizations; to provide for recognition of converted entities by state boards and commissions; to provide for updated licenses; to provide for a cap on fees chargeable for an updated license; to provide for an effective date of updated licenses; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 184— BY REPRESENTATIVES MARTINY, BALDONE, CAZAYOUX, DEWITT, AND JANE SMITH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:67.24, relative to criminal offenses; to create the crime of theft of utility property; to provide for definitions and penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 198-

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCVEA

AN ACT

To provide relative to the selection of a contractor for the restoration of the East Feliciana Parish courthouse; to require the parish to use the state's list of contractors who are prequalified for historic preservation projects; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 307-

BY REPRESENTATIVES DAMICO AND PINAC AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1442(B), (C), and (D), 1443(4)(a) and (b), and 1462(A), relative to the Louisiana Real Estate Commission; to provide for a delinquent renewal time period for active or inactive license or registration; to provide an increase in delinquent renewal fees; to provide for conditions for recovery relative to consent judgments; 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.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 308— BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE

AN ACT To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 2452(B), relative to judgment debtor examinations; to provide for proper venue in the parish in which the judgment was rendered; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 309— BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:675(C)(3), relative to group health plans; to decrease the minimum aggregate stop-loss limit for a group health plan with fifty-one or more participants to one hundred ten percent of the group health plan's total expected claims per policy period; 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. 322— BY REPRESENTATIVE LAMBERT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:4207, relative to appeals; to require city court and district court judges to sign an order of appeal within specified delays; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 381-BY REPRESENTATIVES BOWLER AND K. CARTER AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:629(B) and 691(F), relative to insurance contracts; to provide an insurance contract may not limit the insured's right of action against the insurer to a period of less than two years; 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. 414— BY REPRESENTATIVES KLECKLEY, ELCIE GUILLORY, HILL, FRITH, JOHNS, AND TRAHAN AND SENATORS CAIN, MICHOT, MOUNT, AND THEUNISSEN

AN ACT To enact Chapter 21 of Title 48 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 48:1811.1 through 1811.6, to create the Interstate 10 Corridor District in certain parishes; to provide for its purposes, governance, and powers; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 464— BY REPRESENTATIVES TOWNSEND, DARTEZ, FAUCHEUX, AND GARY SMITH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305.51, relative to sales and use taxes; to provide for the effectiveness of the exemption for utilities purchased by certain steelworks, blast furnaces, coke ovens, and rolling mills; 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 Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 472— BY REPRESENTATIVE MORRISH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1430.10(E) and to repeal R.S. 22:1430.8(B) and 1430.9(B), relative to Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; to provide with respect to the adjustment of its assessments on assessable insureds and insurers of assessable insureds upon changes to a policy of insurance; to delete the authorization of its board of directors to establish credit schedules under the Coastal and FAIR plans; 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. 483— BY REPRESENTATIVES TUCKER AND GARY SMITH AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:2(J), relative to the authority of the commissioner of insurance; to provide for the adoption of rules by the commissioner to protect military personnel in insurance matters; 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. 501-

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

- AN ACT
- To enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 74.2(F), relative to venue; to provide for the transfer of proceedings in certain child custody and support cases post-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 Judiciary A.

HOUSE BILL NO. 507-

BY REPRESENTATIVES LABRUZZO, DOVE, ERDEY, M. POWELL, ST. GERMAIN, AND TUCKER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1975(A), relative to exemptions from tolls on bridges and ferries; to provide for the exemption from tolls for firemen; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 578-BY REPRESENTATIVE MORRIS

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 47:2184, relative to tax sales; to provide relative to the tax sale of certain indivisible property; to provide that the collector shall sell the least quantity of such property which any buyer will purchase for the amount of the tax, interest, and costs; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 653-

BY REPRESENTATIVES BAYLOR, WALSWORTH, AND WHITE AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:583(B)(2), 585(A), and 586(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 37:586(A)(6), relative to cosmetologists; to provide for qualifications for certificates; to provide for an examination team; to provide for examination of applicants; 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.

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AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 35:191(S), relative to notaries public; to provide for reciprocal notarial authority in the parishes of Natchitoches, Sabine, Red River, Bienville, Vernon, and Winn; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 739— BY REPRESENTATIVE GALLOT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:5167 and R.S. 44:106(A), 109(A), and 110 and to enact R.S. 44:109.1, relative to the cancellation of mortgages and vendor's privileges; to require the recorder of mortgages to cancel mortgages and vendor's privileges under certain circumstances; to authorize certain persons to file cancellations of mortgages and vendor's privileges; to provide for the contents of the affidavit of cancellation; to provide for the liability of persons executing an affidavit of cancellation; to provide for the indemnification of persons relying on the affidavit of cancellation; to provide for the form attached to the affidavit of cancellation; to provide relative to licensed financial institutions executing certain acts; to provide a standard form for and mandatory acceptance of mortgage or privilege cancellations; to provide relative to the requisite knowledge of and liability for executing or filing a materially false or incorrect statement; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 743-BY REPRESENTATIVE WHITE

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1730.42(2) and (6), 1730.44(C)(1), and 1730.45(A) and (B), relative to the Commercial Building Energy Conservation Code; to provide for the latest editions of the ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA 90.1 and the International Energy Conservation Code with regards to the Commercial Building Energy Conservation Code; to provide for the scope of the code; 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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 772— BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANDERS, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BADON, BALDONE, BARROW, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BRUCE, BURNS, BURRELL, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CHANDLER, CRANE, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEWITT, DOERGE, DORSEY, DOWNS, DURAND, ERDEY, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, GALLOT, GEYMANN, GRAY, GREENE, ELBERT GUILLORY, ELCIE GUILLORY, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HUNTER, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNEY, KLECKLEY, LABRUZZO, LAFLEUR, LAFONTA, LAMBERT, LANCASTER, LORUSSO, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRIS, MORRISH, ODINET, PIERRE, M. POWELL, T. POWELL, RITCHIE, SALTER, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRAHAN, TRICHE, TUCKER, WALKER, WALSWORTH, WHITE, WILLIAMS, WINSTON, AND WOOTOW

AN ACT

To provide for supplemental capital outlay appropriations for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 for the comprehensive state capital outlay budget to include certain projects; to provide for deposit of monies into certain funds; 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. 777— BY REPRESENTATIVES JACK SMITH AND TOWNSEND AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 6 of Act No. 191 of the 1926 Regular Session of the Legislature, as enacted by Act No. 120 of the 1946 Regular Session of the Legislature and amended by Act No. 307 of the 1948 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the Northwest Louisiana Game and Fish Commission; to authorize the commission to employ or retain legal counsel; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 853 BY REPRESENTATIVE HONEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:80(A)(2), relative to overtaking and passing school buses; to provide for notification of violation; to modify the notification procedure; 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.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

JUDICIARY B

Senator Robert M. Marionneaux, Jr., Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

May 15, 2007

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE BILL NO. 221-BY SENATOR LENTINI

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:90.6, relative to offenses affecting general morality; to prohibit gambling and wagering at cockfights; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted, ROBERT M. MARIONNEAUX, JR. Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

RETIREMENT

Senator D.A. "Butch" Gautreaux, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Retirement, submitted the following report:

May 15, 2007

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE BILL NO. 58-BY SENATOR ELLINGTON

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 11:1305(D), relative to the State Police Pension and Retirement System; to provide for purchase of service credit as an employee of any law enforcement agency of the federal government, of another state, or of any political subdivision of another state; to provide for actuarial calculation of purchase; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 60— BY SENATOR CAIN AND REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:1006(D) and 1007, relative to the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System; to provide with respect to reemployment of retired bus drivers; to provide for full-time employment of such bus drivers and the benefits payable thereto; to provide for suspension of benefits; to provide for contributions and employer reporting requirements; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 96-

BY SENATOR AMEDEE AND REPRESENTATIVE LAMBERT AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:416(A)(2) and 441.1(G), relative to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System; to provide with respect to membership; to provide for reemployment of retirees; to provide for options upon such reemployment; to allow reemployment of certain persons who retired pursuant to early retirement provisions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted, D.A. "BUTCH" GAUTREAUX Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AQUACULTURE, AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Senator Mike Smith, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development, submitted the following report:

May 15, 2007

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development to submit the following report:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 83-BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER AND SENATOR HINES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to continue the current United States sugar program in the 2007 Farm Bill.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted, MIKE SMITH Chairman

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

JUDICIARY A

Senator Arthur J. "Art" Lentini, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

May 15, 2007

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. 125-BY SENATOR MALONE

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing to amend Article V, Sections 3 and 5(C), of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the judicial branch; to provide relative to the supreme court; to provide relative to the jurisdiction of the court and review by the court; to provide relative to the location of the court; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 269-BY SENATOR FIELDS

AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 13:4521, relative to court costs paid by the state and its political subdivisions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 24-BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 13:783(F)(6), relative to the offices of the clerks of court in Beauregard, Rapides, and Vernon parishes; to require the payment of premium costs for certain life and group medical insurance for certain retired personnel; to provide for eligibility; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 33-BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL

- AN ACT
- To enact R.S. 13:961(F)(1)(s), relative to court reporters for the Thirty-Third Judicial District Court in Allen Parish; to provide for the fees to be charged for transcriptions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 72— BY REPRESENTATIVE R. CARTER AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:621.21, relative to district judges; to provide for an additional judgeship for the Twenty-First Judicial District Court with subject matter jurisdiction limited to juvenile matters as provided by law; to provide for compensation of the additional judge; to provide for the election and terms of office and those of the successors in office; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 121— BY REPRESENTATIVE WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:621.4, relative to district judges; to provide for two additional judgeships for the Fourth Judicial District Court; to provide for compensation of the two new

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judges; to provide for their election and term of office and those of their successors in office; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 283-BY REPRESENTATIVE R. CARTER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:964.3, relative to the Twenty-First Judicial District Court: to provide for the assessment of court costs to fund court reporter fees prepared for indigents; to authorize additional fees in criminal cases; to authorize an additional filing fee in civil cases; to create an indigent transcript fund for the payment of court reporter fees; to authorize the court administrator to retain certain fees; to provide for rates of payment to court reporters; to provide for an annual audit; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 305-

BY REPRESENTATIVES LABRUZZO AND TOOMY AND SENATORS LENTINI AND ULLO

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:3049.1, relative to jury service in the Twenty-Fourth Judicial District; to provide for compensation for jury service; to provide for contempt of court; to provide for a special fund; to provide for a schedule of costs; to require the filing of a bond or a deposit for costs in civil cases requesting a jury trial; to require the clerk of court to keep records; to provide for payment of grand jurors and alternate jurors; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted, ARTHUR J. "ART" LENTINI Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

JUDICIARY C

Senator Joel T. Chaisson, II, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary C, submitted the following report:

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To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE BILL NO. 129-BY SENATOR ULLO

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:254.9, relative to Plaquemines Parish deputy sheriffs; to provide for the compensation of an off-duty deputy sheriff subpoenaed to appear in certain cases; to provide with respect to payment when the sheriff elects to pay overtime to an off-duty deputy sheriff; to provide with respect to the duties of the clerk of court and sheriff; to provide for a maximum allowable fee to be received by the off-duty deputy sheriff and for certification of appearance; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 144 BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2181(C) and R.S. 40:2531(C), relative to the rights of fire employees and law enforcement officers while under investigation; to require compliance with the existing minimum standards whenever a fire employee or law enforcement officer

is under investigation; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 236-BY SENATOR SMITH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 46:1906(A) and 1906(B), relative to the office of youth services; to provide for equal payments by the office of youth services to non-state owned secure detention facilities housing children committed to the office of youth services while they are waiting for placement in either a secure or non-secure placement; to provide for current statutory references; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 261-BY SENATOR QUINN

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 15:1310(D) and 1315(C) and to enact R.S. 15:1312.1, relative to the Electronic Surveillance Act; to provide for assistance with installation and use of a wire, oral, or electronic intercepting device; to extend the time period that an order is in effect to install and use a pen register; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 277-BY SENATOR JONES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.9(B) and Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 900(A)(5), and to enact R.S. 15:574.9(G); relative to probation and parole; to provide a commencement date for the term of the technical revocation; to allow those convicted of a misdemeanor to be eligible for a technical revocation at the discretion of the court; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 291-BY SENATOR QUINN

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 14:40.2(B)(3) and (6), relative to the crime of stalking; to enhance the penalties in certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted, JOEL T. CHAISSON, II 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. 15-BY SENATOR HINES

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 25:212.1; to authorize the governing authority of Allen Parish to name a branch library plaza in honor of a living person; to provide limitations; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 41-BY SENATOR ADLEY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:381(C)(28), relative to the village of Bienville; to provide for abolishing, subject to election, the office of chief of police; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 53— BY SENATOR DUPRE AND REPRESENTATIVES BALDONE AND DARTEZ

AN ACT

To enact Subpart F-1 of Part II-A of Chapter 1 of Subtitle 1 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 39:99.25 through 99.43, inclusive; to provide relative to finance; to provide relative to the issuance of certain bonds; to create the Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Financing Corporation and provide for its powers, duties, functions, and effects; to provide for composition and membership of the corporation; to provide definitions, terms, conditions, and procedures; to provide for a board and staffing; to provide for the issuance of bonds and security for payment of bonds; to provide relative to dedication of certain amounts for coastal protection and restoration; to provide for bond validation actions; to provide for tax exemptions; to provide for the sale of certain assets; to provide for ancillary contracts and derivative instruments; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Original Senate Bill No. 53 by Senator Dupre

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 2, line 14, change "§99.39" to "R.S. 39:99.39"

AMENDMENT NO. 2 On page 3, line 6, change "§99.38" to "R.S. 39:99.38"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 7, after "<u>means</u>" delete the rest of the line and on line 8 delete "<u>of Louisiana by the U.S. Department of the Interior</u>" and insert the following: "<u>all monies constituting the state of</u> Louisiana's allocable share'

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 17, after "<u>fund</u>" and before "<u>requirements, reserve</u>" insert "<u>and other redemption</u>"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 19, after "<u>issuance</u>" and before "<u>of</u>" insert "<u>or</u> repayment"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, line 26, after the comma "," and before "<u>without</u>" insert "<u>including all of the State of Louisiana's allocable share as</u> determined thereunder,

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 6, line 26, after "<u>Revenues</u>" and before the comma "," insert "<u>and the Offshore Royalty Revenue Assets</u>" and on line 26, change "§99.3<u>3</u>" to "<u>R.S. 39:99.33</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 7, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following: "(7) Enter into such agreements with the federal government and other parties as the corporation may deem necessary to effectuate the prompt and orderly transfer by the federal

government of the state of Louisiana's allocation and for such other purposes that the corporation shall deem advisable."

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 9</u> On page 7, line 15, change "<u>7</u>" to "<u>8</u>"

AMENDMENT NO. 10 On page 8, line 27, change "may" to "shall"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 17, line 11, before "The state" insert "A."

AMENDMENT NO. 12 On page 17, between lines 23 and 24, insert the following:

<u>B.</u> Notwithstanding the provisions of any law or statute applicable to or constituting any limitation upon the sale of bonds or notes, or upon the execution of related documentation and agreements, any parish and other local governing entity that is a coastal political subdivision is hereby authorized to sell to the corporation all or a portion of their twenty percent of the allocable share due the state of Louisiana pursuant to the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006."

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

SENATE BILL NO. 95-BY SENATOR AMEDEE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:412.2, relative to driver's licenses; to exempt certain service-connected disabled veterans from the payment of fees for a driver's license; to provide exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 116-

NATE BILL NO. 110— BY SENATORS THEUNISSEN, B. GAUTREAUX, HINES, ELLINGTON, MOUNT, BARHAM, BOASSO, CRAVINS AND HOLLIS AND REPRESENTATIVES SALTER, FRITH, JOHNS, JANE SMITH, 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 Finance. On motion of Senator Heitmeier, the bill was read by title and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 134-BY SENATOR ADLEY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1505.2, relative to the Springhill Fire Protection District No. 11 in Webster Parish; to provide for an increase in fire service charge fee, subject to a vote of the electors within the district; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

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SENATE BILL NO. 140-BY SENATOR SHEPHERD

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2740.67, relative to the creation of an economic development district in Jefferson Parish; to provide for governance and administration of the district; to provide for the powers and duties of the governing authority, including the authority to levy taxes and issue bonds subject to voter approval; 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. 140 by Senator Shepherd

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 3 after "commissioners." delete the remainder of the line

AMENDMENT NO. 2 On page 2, delete line 4 through 8 in their entirety.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, at the beginning of line 9 delete "(c) Three" and insert "The" and on page 2, line 10 after "list of" delete "six"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 8 after "attorney," insert "if desired by the board,"

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. 168— BY SENATOR KOSTELKA

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1236(21)(b)(i) and (e)(i), relative to Ouachita Parish; to provide with respect to the authorization of the Ouachita Parish governing authority to adopt ordinances to compel property owners to cut grass and noxious weeds on their property in certain clearly established residential areas; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 187-BY SENATOR ULLO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Arts. 791.1, the introductory paragraph of 791.2, 791.4(A) and 791.5(A), relative to truancy and assessment and service centers; to clarify the role of Families in Need of Services in relation to truancy and assessment and service centers; to remove certain service organizations from required participation; to provide relative to the termination of the program and reporting requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 187 by Senator Ullo

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 1, delete lines 13 through 17 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following: "assessment and service centers. Truancy has long been demonstrated nationwide'

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 1, between "Parishes" and "judicial" change "in" to "in and at the beginning of line 2 delete "designated as pilot sites and other parishes'

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 20, between "corrections" and "designated" delete the comma "," and insert ", **and**"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, after line 10, insert the following:

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

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

SENATE BILL NO. 207-BY SENATOR MOUNT

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 32:298, 402(B)(1)(a), 416, and 417(A), relative to motor vehicles; to provide relative to persons who drive without a license; to provide for unlicensed persons who operate farm equipment on highway shoulders; to provide for unlicensed minors who drive with a licensed parent or guardian; 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. 207 by Senator Mount

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 2, line 5, after "highway" insert a comma

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 6, delete "operated"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, delete lines 25 through 27, and insert in lieu thereof the following

'(cc) When an unlicensed minor who is at least fourteen years of age is driving with a parent or guardian in the vehicle who holds a valid drivers driver's license and is providing driving instruction to the minor child."

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. 266-BY SENATOR FIELDS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:653(F), R.S. 39:73(C)(2) and 82(C), and R.S. 49:220.5(C)(1)(a), and to enact R.S. 24:653(K), relative to the authority of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget; to clarify that the committee has the authority to amend BA-7s and certain proposals of the Louisiana Recovery Authority; to provide for application; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

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SENATE BILL NO. 267-BY SENATOR FIELDS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:663.5 and to repeal R.S. 36:4(H) and Part V of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 49:220.1 through 220.7, relative to state administration; to provide for the office of community development; to provide for distribution of block grant funding in response to hurricanes Katrina and Rita; to provide for legislative oversight; to provide that the office of community development is the successor to the abolished authority; to provide for the transfer of powers, duties, functions, responsibilities and to otherwise provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 280-BY SENATOR ELLINGTON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 48:251(B), 251.9(A)(1), 252(A), (B)(1)(a), (2), (3)(a), (4), and (6), (C)(1), (2)(b), (E)(introductory paragraph), (F), (G), 253, and 255(C), to enact R.S. 48:252(H), and to repeal R.S. 48:255(B)(7), relative to the Department of Transportation and Development; to provide relative to the bidding of department projects; to provide relative to electronic bidding and its procedures; to provide relative to advertisement and invitation for bids; to increase the contract limit; to require bid bonds under certain circumstances; to delete certain obsolete references; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 293-BY SENATOR SHEPHERD

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:1420.16, relative to the Manhattan Boulevard corridor, an economic development district in Jefferson Parish; to provide for the authority to levy taxes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 294-BY SENATOR SHEPHERD

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:431.1, relative to the Jefferson Parish Housing Authority; to provide with respect to the board of trustees of such authority; to provide for the powers and duties of such board; to authorize the board to levy a tax under certain circumstances; 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. 294 by Senator Shepherd

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the end of line 4 after "circumstances;" insert the following: "to provide procedures for the imposition of such taxes; to provide for the use of such taxes;

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 10 insert "A." and on line 11 after "levy" delete "an ad valorem tax" and insert the following "and collect annually special taxes or fees, as authorized by the housing authority

AMENDMENT NO. 3 On page 1, between lines 12 and 13 insert the following: "B. The amount of the annual tax or fee shall be requested by duly adopted resolution of the board of commissioners of the housing authority.

C.(1) A tax or fee shall be imposed only after the question of its imposition has been approved by a majority of registered voters of the parish voting at a regularly scheduled primary or general election held for that purpose in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code. No other election shall be required except as provided by this Subsection.

(2) The tax or fee shall expire at the time provided in the proposition authorizing the tax or fee, not to exceed eight years from its initial imposition, however the tax or fee may be renewed as provided for in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection. D. The tax or fee shall be collected in the same manner and

at the same time as all other ad valorem taxes on property subject to taxation by the parish are levied and collected.

E. The proceeds of such tax or fee shall be used solely and exclusively for the purpose and benefit of the housing authority; however, the parish may retain one percent of the amount collected as a collection fee.

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. 298-BY SENATOR SHEPHERD

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:531(E), relative to tenant commissioners for local housing authorities; to provide for the appointment of tenant commissioners to local housing authorities; 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. 298 by Senator Shepherd

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 13 after the period "." insert the following: "No person shall serve as a commissioner when that person is employed by any other local housing authority.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, between lines 13 and 14 insert the following:

<u>participating in a matter which would be in violation of R.S.</u> 42:1112.

(3) The local housing authority shall permit a per diem to each member of the commission of the local housing authority in an amount of not less than fifty dollars nor more than seventyfive dollars for each day of his attendance at meetings of the commission from funds of the local housing authority."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, at the beginning of line 14 change "(2)" to "(4)" and on page 1, line 16 after "development" insert a period "." and delete the remainder of the line

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.

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SENATE BILL NO. 319— BY SENATORS MURRAY, DUPLESSIS AND SHEPHERD

AN ACT To enact Subpart J of Part VI of Chapter 1 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:300.31 and 300.32, relative to the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans; to provide for the "Crescent Cover Logo"; to provide for remedies; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 327 BY SENATOR JACKSON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4712.14, to authorize the governing authority of the city of Shreveport to name the civic center in honor of a living person; to provide limitations; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 329-BY SENATOR ADLEY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2494.1 and R.S. 33:2494.2, to provide for promotion procedures for the Bossier City Fire Department; to provide for evaluation of employees in entry level competitive classes to establish such employees' order of promotion; to provide that certain promotions in the Bossier City Fire Department shall be based on divisional seniority; to provide that promotion in the communication division shall be competitive; to provide that promotion in the suppression division shall be based on departmental seniority; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 334— BY SENATORS SHEPHERD, QUINN, LENTINI AND ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVES ANSARDI, DAMICO, HARRIS, LABRUZZO, MARTINY, TOOMY AND TUCKER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:1373, relative to the procedures for eliminating deleterious property; to provide with respect to enforcing health, safety and welfare ordinances in Jefferson Parish, or otherwise enforcing ordinances relating to violations of public health, housing, fire code, environmental, building code, zoning, historic district, permitting, vegetation and nuisance ordinances in Jefferson Parish; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 336-BY SENATOR FONTENOT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4574.16, relative to East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to the Baton Rouge Area Convention and Visitors Bureau; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the bureau; and to provide for related matter, and to provide for related matters.

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

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 633

USE BILL NO. 633— BY REPRESENTATIVES TOWNSEND, ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANDERS, ARNOLD, BADON, BALDONE, BARROW, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BRUCE, BURNS, BURRELL, K. CARTER, CHANDLER, CRANE, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEWITT, DOERGE, DORSEY, DOVE, DOWNS, ERDEY, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, GALLOT, GRAY, GREENE, ELBERT GUILLORY, ELCIE GUILLORY, HARRIS, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HUNTER, HUTTER, JEFFERSON, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, LABRUZZO, LAMBERT, LORUSSO, MARCHAND, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRIS, 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, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TRAHAN, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALKER, WALSWORTH, WHITE, WILLIAMS, WINSTON, AND WOOTON AN ACT AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:301(16)(m), relative to state and local sales and use taxes; to provide for an exclusion for machinery and equipment used by certain motor vehicle manufacturers; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs. Under the provisions of Joint Rule No. 3 of the Rules of the Senate, the bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Special Order of the Day

The following Senate Bill on Third Reading and Final Passage, which was made Special Order of the Day No. 1, was taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE BILL NO. 39— BY SENATORS LENTINI, CASSIDY, CHAISSON, B. GAUTREAUX, HOLLIS, JACKSON, KOSTELKA, MOUNT, QUINN AND SCHEDLER AND REPRESENTATIVES ANSARDI, BADON, BURNS, KATZ, KENNARD, LABRUZZO, JANE SMITH, TOOMY, TUCKER AND WALSWORTH AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:102.23 and to repeal R.S. 14:102.1(D), relative to criminal offenses; to provide relative to the criminal code and to offenses against the state; to provide relative to the prohibition of certain activities and the penalties provided therefor; to provide relative to offenses against animals and affecting the public sensibility; to create the crime of cockfighting; to provide relative to the prosecution of such crime; to provide for definitions; to prohibit transportation of certain animals for certain purposes; to prohibit certain activities related to cockfighting; to provide relative to cruelty to animals; to provide relative to penalties, conditions, and requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Lentini sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Lentini on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 39 by Senator Lentini

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 12 following "**property**," and before ", which" change "movable or immovable" to "movable and immovable"

On motion of Senator Lentini, the amendments were adopted.

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Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Cravins sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Cravins to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 39 by Senator Lentini

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 1, line 2, after "To" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 3 through 10 and insert the following: "amend and D 2 1 (C) to proof P S 14:102 23 and to reenact R.S. 14:102(7) and 102.1(C), to enact R.S. 14:102.23, and to repeal 14:102.1(D), relative to offenses affecting the public sensibility; to prohibit promoting or conducting a cockfight; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to cruelty to animals; to provide for exemptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for exceptions; to repeal provision of law providing that fowl are not considered animals for the purpose of the crime of cruelty to animals; and to provide for related matters."

AMENDMENT NO. 2 On page 1, line 12, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 13 through 17 and delete page 2 and insert the following: "R.S. 14:102(7) and 102.1(C) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 14:102.23 is hereby enacted to read as follows: §102. Definitions; cruelty to animals The following upday hereby and terms as upday in P.S.

The following words, phrases, and terms as used in R.S. 14:102.1 through R.S. 14:102.4 shall be defined and construed as follows:

(7) "Livestock" means cattle, sheep, swine, goats, horses, mules, burros, asses, other livestock of all ages, farm-raised cervidae species, and farm-raised ratite species. any animal except dogs and cats, bred, kept, maintained, raised, or used for profit, used in agriculture, aquaculture, or silvaculture, or for other related purposes or used in the production of crops, animals, or plant or animal products for market. This definition includes but is not limited to cattle, buffalo, bison, oxen, and other bovines; horses, mules, donkeys, and other equines; goats; sheep; swine; chickens, turkeys, and other poultry; domestic rabbits; imported exotic deer and antelope, elk, farm-raised white-tailed deer, farm-raised ratites, and other farm-raised exotic animals; fish, pet turtles, and other animals identified with aquaculture which are located in artificial reservoirs or enclosures that are both on privately owned property and constructed so as to prevent, at all times, the ingress and egress of fish life from public waters; any commercial crawfish from any crawfish pond; and any hybrid, mixture, or mutation of any such animal.

§102.1. Cruelty to animals; simple and aggravated

C. This Section shall not apply to any of the following: (1) the The lawful hunting or trapping of wildlife as provided by

law.

(2) herding <u>Herding</u> of domestic animals.

(3) accepted Accepted veterinary practices.

(4) and activities Activities carried on for scientific or medical research governed by accepted standards.

 (5) Rural Mardi Gras parades, processions, or runs.
(6) Agricultural processing, agricultural products, or agricultural production as defined in R.S. 3:3602(5), (6), and (7). No provisions contained in this Section shall be construed to a section of the section of prohibit or make unlawful any agricultural activity involved, directly or indirectly, in the production of food for human consumption or for animal food.

§102.23. Cockfighting

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to:

(1) Organize or conduct any commercial or private cockfight wherein there is a display of combat or fighting among one or more domestic or feral chickens and in which it is intended or reasonably foreseeable that the chickens would be injured, maimed, mutilated, or killed; or

(2) Possess, train, purchase, or sell any chicken with the intent that the chicken shall be engaged in an unlawful commercial or private cockfight as prohibited in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.

B. As used in this Section, the following words and phrases

have the following meanings ascribed to them: (1) "Chicken" means any bird which is of the species *Gallus gallus*, whether domestic or feral. (2) "Cockfight" means a contest wherein chickens are set against one another with the intention that they engage in combat.

<u>C.(1)</u> C.(1) Whoever violates the provisions of this Section, on conviction of a first offense, shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars, or imprisoned for not more than six months, or both.

2) On a conviction of a second offense, the offender shall be fined not less than seven hundred fifty dollars, nor more than two thousand dollars, or imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not less than six months nor more than one year, or both. In addition to any other penalty imposed, on a conviction of a second offense, the offender shall be ordered to perform fifteen eight-hour days of court-approved community service. The community service requirement shall not be suspended.

(3) On a conviction of a third offense, the offender shall be fined not less than one thousand dollars, nor more than two thousand dollars, and shall be imprisoned, with or without hard labor, for not less than one year nor more than three years. At least six months of the sentence imposed shall be served without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence.

Section 2. R.S. 14:102.1(D) is hereby repealed in its entirety. Section 3. The provisions of this Act shall become effective August 15, 2008.'

Senator Cravins moved adoption of the amendments.

Senator Lentini objected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Gautreaux N Cain Jones Cravins Michot Fontenot Nevers Total - 11

Hollis

Lentini

Duplessis Dupre Ellington Gautreaux B Heitmeier Jackson Kostelka

Romero Shepherd Theunissen

NAYS

Malone Marionneaux McPherson Mount Murray Ouinn Schedler Smith Ullo

ABSENT

Fields Total - 1

Total - 27

Adley

Amedee

Bajoie

Barham

Boasso

Broome

Cassidy

Cheek

Chaisson

The Chair declared the amendments were rejected.

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

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ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Michot Mount

Murray

Nevers

Quinn Schedler

Smith Theunissen

Ullo

Shepherd

Adley	Ellington
Amedee	Fields
Bajoie	Gautreaux B
Barham	Heitmeier
Boasso	Hollis
Broome	Jackson
Cain	Jones
Cassidy	Kostelka
Chaisson	Lentini
Cheek	Malone
Duplessis	Marionneaux
Dupre	McPherson
Total - 34	
	NAVS

NAYS

Cravins Fontenot Total - 4 Gautreaux N Romero

ABSENT

Mr President Total - 1

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

Rules Suspended

Senator Jones asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of recalling Senate Bill No. 36 from the Committee on Finance for the purpose of passing it to a third reading and final passage.

On motion of Senator Jones, the bill was read by title and passed to a third reading.

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-

ATE CONCURKENT RESOLUTION NO. 3— BY SENATORS B. GAUTREAUX, BARHAM, BOASSO, CRAVINS, ELLINGTON, N. GAUTREAUX, HINES, HOLLIS AND THEUNISSEN AND REPRESENTATIVES SALTER, SCHNEIDER, JANE SMITH AND WALSWORTH AND SENATORS BAJOIE, CHEEK, FIELDS, HEITMEIER, JACKSON, LENTINI, MCPHERSON AND ULLO 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 with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Original Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3 by Senator B. Gautreaux

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, line 1, change "SLS 07RS-321" to "Senate Bill 116 of the 2007 Regular Session of the Legislature'

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On motion of Senator Heitmeier, the committee amendment was adopted.

Senator Fields asked for a ruling from the Chair on whether it was an ethics violation for a member of the Senate to speak on the resolution to provide a cost-of-living increase to retired teachers if a member of the Senator's immediate family is a school teacher.

The Chair ruled that to prohibit a Senator from speaking on an issue would be a violation of his constitutional right of free speech, therefore the Senator can certainly speak on the issue.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8-BY SENATOR HEITMEIER A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request each public postsecondary education institution to develop and implement a comprehensive emergency response and crisis communication plan and be prepared to respond in a decisive, timely, and appropriate manner to emergency and lifethreatening situations and events that may occur on campus.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8 by Senator Heitmeier

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 2, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following: "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each institution of higher education shall seek input and guidance from the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice and appropriate state and local law enforcement authorities when developing their emergency response and crisis communications plans."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 11, between "College," and "the" delete "and"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 12, between "Colleges" and the period "." insert "and the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice'

On motion of Senator Ullo, the committee amendment was adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

Dupre

Fields

Ellington

Fontenot

Heitmeier

Hollis

Jones

Jackson

Kostelka

Lentini

Malone

Gautreaux B

Gautreaux N

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Boasso Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Total - 39

Marionneaux McPherson Michot Mount Murrav Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Total - 0

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

Senator Bajoie in the Chair

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20-BY SENATOR ADLEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the governing authority of each parish to post its official journals and announcements, and meeting dates, times and places on its website, if the governing authority has one.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

The resolution was read by title. Senator Adley moved to adopt the Senate 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	Mount
Barham	Gautreaux B	Murray
Boasso	Gautreaux N	Nevers
Broome	Heitmeier	Ouinn
Cain	Hollis	Romero
Cassidy	Jackson	Schedler
Chaisson	Jones	Shepherd
Cheek	Kostelka	Smith
Cravins	Lentini	Theunissen
Duplessis	Malone	Ullo
Total - 39		
	NAYS	

Total - 0

ABSENT

Total - 0

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 31— BY SENATORS MCPHERSON, ELLINGTON AND SMITH A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development, in cooperation and consultation with local governing authorities, to begin a study of the feasibility and development of a beltway around the cities of Alexandria and Pineville.

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

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

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Marionneaux

McPherson

Michot

Mount

Murray

Nevers

Ouinn

Smith

Ullo

Romero

Schedler

Shepherd

Theunissen

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

Dupre

Ellington

YEAS

Mr President
Adley
Amedee
Bajoie
Barham
Boasso
Broome
Cain
Cassidy
Chaisson
Cheek
Cravins
Duplessis
Total - 39

Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini Malone

NAYS

ABSENT

Total - 0

Total - 0

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

Senate Concurrent Resolutions to be Adopted, Subject to Call

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions to be adopted, subject to call, were taken up and acted upon as follows:

Called from the Calendar

Senator Dupre asked that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11 be called from the Calendar at this time.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11— BY SENATOR DUPRE AND REPRESENTATIVE PITRE A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To approve the Comprehensive Master Plan for Coastal Protection, as adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

Dupre Ellington

Fields

Fontenot

Gautreaux B

Gautreaux N

Heitmeier

Hollis

Jones

Jackson

Kostelka

Lentini

Malone

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Boasso Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Total - 39 Marionneaux McPherson Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo

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NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Total - 0

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

Called from the Calendar

Senator Dupre asked that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12 be called from the Calendar at this time.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12-BY SENATOR DUPRE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To approve the annual Coastal Protection Plan for Fiscal Year 2007-2008, as adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President	Ellington	McPherson
Adley	Fields	Michot
Amedee	Fontenot	Mount
Bajoie	Gautreaux B	Murray
Barham	Gautreaux N	Nevers
Boasso	Heitmeier	Quinn
Broome	Hollis	Romero
Cassidy	Jackson	Schedler
Chaisson	Jones	Shepherd
Cheek	Kostelka	Smith
Cravins	Lentini	Theunissen
Duplessis	Malone	Ullo
Dupre	Marionneaux	
Total - 38		
	NAYS	
Total - 0		
	ABSENT	

Cain Total - 1

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

Called from the Calendar

Senator B. Gautreaux asked that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 34 be called from the Calendar at this time.

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.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Theunissen sent up floor amendments which were read.

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SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senators Theunissen, Malone, Smith and Dupre to Original Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 34 by Senator B. Gautreaux

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 7, delete "a secondary level" and insert "primary and secondary levels"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, between lines 10 and 11, insert "WHEREAS, the direct impact to existing residential and commercial developments of constructing hurricane protection projects should be considered, particularly when such projects call for the elevation of existing highways and roads; and"

On motion of Senator Theunissen, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

Dupre

YEAS

Mr President
Adley
Amedee
Bajoie
Barham
Boasso
Broome
Cain
Cassidy
Chaisson
Cheek
Cravins
Duplessis
Total - 38

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

NAYS

ABSENT

Lentini

Total - 0

Total - 1

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

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on **Third Reading** and Final Passage

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE BILL NO. 204— BY SENATORS CRAVINS, BROOME, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS AND QUINN AND REPRESENTATIVES BAUDOIN, DOERGE, MICKEY GUILLORY, HEBERT, STRAIN AND TOOMY AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:635.3(C) and 636.2(D) and to enact R.S. 22:635.3(D) and 636.2(E), relative to homeowners insurance; to provide for nonrenewal or cancellation of certain homeowners insurance policies; to provide for changes in homeowners insurance policy deductibles; to provide for premium quotes involving homeowners policies and policy deductibles; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Cain sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Cain to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 204 by Senator Cravins

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 2, line 11, after "**D**"insert "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, between lines 21 and 22, insert the following: (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph D(1), the policy deductible shall not be subject to increase for a homeowner policy that has been in effect and renewed for more than three years and on which there has been no claim filed during that three-year period.

On motion of Senator Cain, the amendments were adopted.

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. 204 by Senator Cravins

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 15, between "years" and period "." insert the following: ", provided that no increase authorized under this Subsection shall be allowed more than once every three years"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, at the end of line 21, insert the following: "However, no deviation permitted pursuant to this Subsection shall be greater than one hundred percent of the previously authorized deductible."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 17, between "<u>years</u>" and period "." insert the following: ", provided that no increase authorized under this Subsection shall be allowed more than once every three years"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, at the end of line 23, insert the following: "<u>However, no</u> deviation permitted pursuant to this Subsection shall be greater than one hundred percent of the previously authorized deductible.

Senator Dupre moved adoption of the amendments.

Senator Cravins objected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

Chaisson

Duplessis

Heitmeier

Dupre

Jones

Lentini

YEAS

Mr President
Adley
Amedee
Bajoie
Boasso
Cain
Cassidy
Totaľ - 21

Gautreaux B

Marionneaux Murray Nevers Ouinn Romero Shepherd Ullo

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Michot

Smith

Schedler

NAYS

Barham Broome Cravins Ellington Fields Total - 13

Cheek

Jackson

Total - 5

Fontenot Gautreaux N Hollis Kostelka Malone

ABSENT

McPherson Mount

Theunissen

The Chair declared the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

Dupre

Fields

Hollis

Jones

Jackson

Kostelka

Lentini

Malone

McPherson

Ellington

Fontenot

Heitmeier

Gautreaux B

YEAS

Mr President
Adley
Amedee
Bajoie
Barham
Boasso
Broome
Cain
Cassidy
Chaisson
Cheek
Cravins
Duplessis
Total - 37

Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo

NAYS

Marionneaux

ABSENT

Total - 0

Gautreaux N

Total - 2

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

SENATE BILL NO. 205— BY SENATORS CRAVINS, CHAISSON, DUPRE, MOUNT, NEVERS, BROOME AND CAIN AND REPRESENTATIVE K. CARTER AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:681(C)(1) and to enact R.S. 36:696 and R.S. 22:1455, relative to the Department of Insurance; to create the office of consumer advocacy headed by a deputy commissioner of consumer advocacy; to provide the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the office, including enforcement of the policyholder bill of rights; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley

Dupre Ellington

Marionneaux **McPherson**

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Fields	Michot
Fontenot	Mount
Gautreaux B	Murray
Gautreaux N	Nevers
Heitmeier	Quinn
Hollis	Romero
Jackson	Schedler
Jones	Shepherd
Kostelka	Smith
Lentini	Theunissen
Malone	Ullo
NAYS	
	Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini

Total - 0

Total - 0

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

ABSENT

SENATE BILL NO. 230-BY SENATOR HINES

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1300.143(5) and (6) and 1300.147, relative to the Rural Hospital Preservation Act; to authorize and provide for certain activities involving licensed health care providers and public rural hospitals; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Boasso Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Total - 39	Dupre Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini Malone	Marionneaux McPherson Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
	NAYS	

Total - 0

ABSENT

Total - 0

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

Mr. President in the Chair

SENATE BILL NO. 253-BY SENATOR HOLLIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 6:1096(G)(3), relative to residential mortgage lending; to provide for financing single premium insurance in connection with residential mortgage loans; to provide limitations for financing single premium insurance; and

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to provide for related matters.

Senator Fields asked for a ruling from the Chair on whether it was an ethics violation for a member of the Senate to speak on the bill on insurance if a member of the Senator's immediate family is in the insurance business.

The Chair ruled that to prohibit a Senator from speaking on an issue would be a violation of his constitutional right of free speech, therefore the Senator can certainly speak on the issue.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Dupre Total - 38	Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini Malone Marionneaux	McPherson Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
Total - 0		

ABSENT

Total - 1

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

SENATE BILL NO. 254-BY SENATOR HOLLIS

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3516(14) and (19), and to enact R.S. 9:3511(F), relative to the Louisiana Consumer Credit Law; to provide for the scope of the Louisiana Consumer Credit Law; to provide for definition of a "consumer loan"; to provide technical changes to the definition of a "federally related mortgage loan"; and to provide for related matters.

Senator Fields asked for a ruling from the Chair on whether it was an ethics violation for a member of the Senate to speak on the bill on mutual funds if a member of the Senator's immediate family is in the mutual fund business.

The Chair ruled that to prohibit a Senator from speaking on an issue would be a violation of his constitutional right of free speech, therefore the Senator can certainly speak on the issue.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

Boasso

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

Marionneaux

YFAS

NAYS

Total - 0

Total - 38

ABSENT

Boasso

Dupre

Total - 1

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

SENATE BILL NO. 256-BY SENATOR HOLLIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 6:969.18(A)(2) and to enact R.S. 6:969.42, relative to the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Sales Finance Act; to authorize the collection of certain fees by the seller of a motor vehicle; to provide for venue of litigation or arbitration regarding a motor vehicle credit transaction; and to provide for related matters.

Senator Fields asked for a ruling from the Chair on whether it was an ethics violation for a member of the Senate to speak on the bill on auto dealership if a member of the Senator's immediate family is in the auto dealership business.

The Chair ruled that to prohibit a Senator from speaking on an issue would be a violation of his constitutional right of free speech, therefore the Senator can certainly speak on the issue.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Ellington

Malone

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Broome Chaisson Duplessis Dupre Fields Fontenot Total - 28	Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Lentini McPherson Michot Mount	Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Theunissen Ullo
	NAYS	

Cassidy

Cravins

Barham Cain Total - 6 Page 19 SENATE May 15, 2007

ABSENT

Kostelka

Marionneaux

Boasso	
Cheek	
Total - 5	

Smith

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

SENATE BILL NO. 304-BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 6:1185(B)(2) and 1188(B), relative to mutual savings banks; to provide for voting by members; to provide for the board of directors; to provide for length of term for directors; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins	Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Lentini Malone	Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
Cravins Duplessis	Malone Marionneaux	Ullo
Dupre Total - 37	McPherson	
1000 07	NAYS	
Total - 0	ABSENT	

Boasso Kostelka

Total - 2

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

SENATE BILL NO. 19— BY SENATOR MCPHERSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:104(A)(8)(a) and (B)(2), and 109(D)(5), relative to hunting; to provide relative to hunting on lands administered by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; to exempt certain resident hunters from certain permit fees on lands administered by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley

Ellington Fields

McPherson Michot

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Amedee Bajoie Barham Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins	Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini	Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen
Cheek	Kostelka	Smith
Cravins	Lentini	Theunissen
Duplessis Dupre	Malone Marionneaux	Ullo
Total - 38	NAYS	

Total - 0

ABSENT

Boasso

Total - 1

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

SENATE BILL NO. 76-BY SENATOR DUPRE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:2011, relative to wildlife and fisheries; to provide relative to payments to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for certain dredging of fill sand or fill material; to provide relative to exemptions; to provide relative to exemptions from payments for certain coastal restoration and protection activities; to provide terms, conditions, procedures, and requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator B. Gautreaux sent up floor amendments which were read

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator B. Gautreaux to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 76 by Senator Dupre

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 1</u> On page 2, line 10, change "<u>written recommendation for</u>" to "<u>letter</u> of non-objection to"

On motion of Senator B. Gautreaux, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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

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Total - 38

Boasso Total - 1

Total - 0

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

NAYS

ABSENT

SENATE BILL NO. 123-BY SENATOR ULLO

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 30:101.11 and R.S. 56:700.2(A)(4), relative to the Underwater Obstruction Removal Fund; to change the termination date of the Underwater Obstruction Removal Fund; to change the termination date of certain funding of the Underwater Obstruction Removal Fund; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

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Mr President	Ellington	McPherson
Adley	Fields	Michot
Amedee	Fontenot	Mount
Bajoie	Gautreaux B	Murray
Barham	Gautreaux N	Nevers
Broome	Heitmeier	Quinn
Cain	Hollis	Romero
Cassidy	Jackson	Schedler
Chaisson	Jones	Shepherd
Cheek	Kostelka	Smith
Cravins	Lentini	Theunissen
Duplessis	Malone	Ullo
Dupre	Marionneaux	
Total - 38		
	NAYS	
Total - 0		
	ABSENT	

Boasso Total - 1

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

SENATE BILL NO. 148-BY SENATOR SCHEDLER

AN ACT

To authorize and provide for the lease of certain state property in St. Tammany Parish by the Department of Health and Hospitals to the Methodist Home for Children; to provide for certain terms and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

	YEAS	
Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Dupre Total - 38	Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini Malone Marionneaux	McPherson Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
Total - 0	ABSENT	

Boasso

Total - 1

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

SENATE BILL NO. 171-BY SENATOR MOUNT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 118 of the 2005 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the transfer of certain immovable property located in Calcasieu Parish from the Chennault International Airport Authority to the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges, for the use and benefit of its Sowela Campus, in exchange for forgiveness of a certain debt owed by the authority to the state of Louisiana; to amend the description of the property to be transferred; to properly identify and describe the property which is the subject of the exchange following the destruction by Hurricane Rita of a portion of the property originally intended to be transferred; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Dupre Total - 38	Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini Malone Marionneaux	McPherson Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
Total - 0	ABSENT	
Boasso		

Total - 1

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

SENATE BILL NO. 249-

BY SENATORS BAJOIE AND ELLINGTON AN ACT

To authorize and provide for the transfer of certain state properties in Rapides Parish; to provide for the property descriptions; to provide for reservation of mineral rights; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Dupre Total - 38	Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Lentini Malone Marionneaux	McPherson Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
Total - 0		

ABSENT

Boasso

Total - 1

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

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

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage, subject to call, were taken up and acted upon as follows:

Called from the Calendar

Senator Nevers asked that Senate Bill No. 91 be called from the Calendar at this time for its final passage.

SENATE BILL NO. 91— BY SENATOR NEVERS AND REPRESENTATIVE GRAY

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 46:52.1(C)(1)(b) and 286.13(1), (2), and (5), and Children's Code Article 612(A)(2), relative to children; to provide relative to the care of abused and neglected children; to provide relative to the care of children by foster parents and the rights of foster parents as caregivers; to provide relative to the care of children and to the investigation of reports of risk; to provide certain definitions, requirements, terms, conditions, and procedures; and to provide for related matters.

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Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Nevers sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Nevers to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 91 by Senator Nevers

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 1, lines 2 and 3, delete "and Children's Code Article 612(A)(2),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2 On page 1, lines 5 and 6, delete "to provide relative to the care of children and to the investigation of reports of risk;'

AMENDMENT NO. 3 On page 2, delete lines 25 through 29 in their entirety.

AMENDMENT NO. 4 On page 3, delete lines 1 through 11 in their entirety.

AMENDMENT NO. 5 On page 3, line 12, change "Section 3" to "Section 2"

AMENDMENT NO. 6 On page 3, line 13, delete "Sections 1 and 2" and insert "Section 1" and on line 15, change "Section 4" to "Section 3"

On motion of Senator Nevers, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Dupre Total - 37	Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Malone Marionneaux McPherson	Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
Total - 0	ABSENT	

Boasso Lentini Total - 2

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

Called from the Calendar

Senator Shepherd asked that Senate Bill No. 139 be called from the Calendar at this time for its final passage.

SENATE BILL NO. 139-BY SENATOR SHEPHERD

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1426, relative to homeowner's insurance, to require certain insurers who write homeowner's insurance to sell homeowner's coverage to certain veterans and military personnel; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Lentini sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Lentini on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 139 by Senator Shepherd

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 11, following "person" change "where" to "when"

On motion of Senator Lentini, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator N. Gautreaux sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator N. Gautreaux to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 139 by Senator Shepherd

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 1, line 2 after "To" and before "enact" insert "amend and reenact R.S. 22:635.3(C) and to"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 2 after "insurance" change the comma "," to a semicolon ";" and insert "to provide for calculation of certain time periods;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3 On page 1, line 6 after "R.S." insert "22:635.3(C) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, between lines 6 and 7 insert the following: "§635.3. Homeowner's insurance; insurer's nonrenewal without cause; inclusion in insured's file prohibited

C.(1) No insurer providing property, casualty, or liability insurance shall cancel or fail to renew a homeowner's policy of insurance or to increase the policy deductible that has been in effect and renewed for more than three years unless based on nonpayment of premium, fraud of the insured, a material change in the risk being insured, two or more claims within a period of three years, or if continuation of such policy endangers the solvency of the insurer. This Subsection shall not apply to an insurer that ceases writing homeowner's insurance or to policy deductibles increased for all homeowners policies in the state.

(2) For any policy holder who has continuous homeowner's coverage with an insurer for a period of three years, any replacement policy or any change or transfer of a policy covering one dwelling to insure another dwelling owned by such policy holder shall not constitute or be treated as the issuance of a new policy regardless of the change in policy identification information. For purposes of determining the period of coverage, including whether such policy holder's coverage is required to be continued with such insurer, the time period in each dwelling insured with such company shall be aggregated.

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On motion of Senator N. Gautreaux, 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

Bajoie Broome Cain Chaisson Dupre Total - 13	Fields Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Jones Marionneaux NAYS	Murray Shepherd Ullo
Adley Barham Cassidy Cheek Cravins Total - 15	Ellington Fontenot Hollis Malone Michot ABSENT	Mount Romero Schedler Smith Theunissen
Mr President Amedee Boasso Duplessis	Heitmeier Jackson Kostelka Lentini	McPherson Nevers Quinn

The Chair declared the amended bill failed to pass.

Notice of Reconsideration

Senator Shepherd, pursuant to Senate Rule Number 11.12, gave notice that before the expiration of the Morning Hour of the next succeeding legislative day of the Senate, he would move to reconsider the vote by which the bill failed to pass.

Called from the Calendar

Senator McPherson asked that Senate Bill No. 238 be called from the Calendar at this time for its final passage.

SENATE BILL NO. 238-

Total - 11

BY SENATORS MCPHERSON AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVES SALTER, TOWNSEND, DORSEY, DURAND, LAFLEUR, CAZAYOUX, ST. GERMAIN, ELCIE GUILLORY, HILL AND PINAC AN ACT

To enact Subpart N of Part II-A of Chapter 1 of Subtitle I of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 39:100.51, relative to state funds; to establish the Health Care Redesign Fund as a special treasury fund; to provide for the deposit, use, and investment of monies in the fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator McPherson sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator McPherson to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 238 by Senator McPherson

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 2, line 27, between "maintain" and "and", insert ", administer"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 29, delete "Region 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, delete lines 7 and 8 and insert the following:

(e) Provision of services that are expected to achieve improved standards of care and better health outcomes for the <u>following:</u>

(i) Essential developmental disabilities, substance abuse and mental health services by the Department of Health and Hospitals.

(ii) Essential adult and aging services by the Department of Health and Hospitals.

(iii) Essential public health services by the Department of Health and Hospitals.

(iv) Essential primary and preventive health care services by the Department of Health and Hospitals.

(v) Health care services provided via the Medicaid program operated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, including the enhancement of provider reimbursement rates that improves Medicaid enrollee access to care, provided that such care is consistent with the goals of this redesign effort."

On motion of Senator McPherson, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments Sent Up

Senator Fields sent up floor amendments which were read.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Fields to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 238 by Senator McPherson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, at the end of line 29, before the period "." insert "including mental health services and addictive disorders services'

On motion of Senator Fields, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Total - 36	Dupre Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Malone NAYS	Marionneaux McPherson Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
10tal - 0	ABSENT	
Boasso Total - 3	Lentini	Schedler

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The Chair declared the amended bill was passed. The title was read and adopted. Senator McPherson 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.

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 15, 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. 48— BY SENATORS BARHAM AND ADLEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the Louisiana State University Fighting Tigers football team for its accomplishments in the 2006 season and for winning the Allstate Sugar Bowl.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52-BY SENATOR BROOME

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and to congratulate the LSU "Lady Tigers" Women's Basketball program for its accomplishments during the 2006-2007 season and for securing a berth in the NCAA Final Four tournament.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54-

A LE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54— BY SENATORS HINES, ADLEY, AMEDEE, BAJOIE, BARHAM, BOASSO, BROOME, CAIN, CASSIDY, CHAISSON, CHEEK, CRAVINS, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAUX, N. GAUTREAUX, 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 acknowledge May 16, 2007, as the seventy-fifth anniversary of the dedication of the Louisiana State Capitol.

Reported without amendments.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 55-BY SENATOR CASSIDY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Nita Clark upon her selection as a 2007 Udall Scholar.

Reported without amendments.

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

Senator Fields in the Chair

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. 24 BY SENATOR NEVERS

A RESOLUTION To proclaim May 16, 2007, as "Dyslexia Awareness Day."

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 25— BY SENATORS NEVERS, BROOME AND JACKSON A RESOLUTION

To recognize Tuesday, May 15, 2007, as Tourism Awareness Day.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 26-BY SENATOR CHEEK

A RESOLUTION

To commend Azalea Estates Assisted Living and Retirement Community of Shreveport upon celebrating eleven years of dedicated service to the community.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 56— BY SENATORS MALONE AND CHEEK

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Lauren Leigh Colvin of Shreveport, Louisiana.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr President Adley Amedee Bajoie Barham Broome Cain Cassidy Chaisson Cheek Cravins Duplessis Total - 36	Dupre Ellington Fields Fontenot Gautreaux B Gautreaux N Heitmeier Hollis Jackson Jones Kostelka Malone NAYS	McPherson Michot Mount Murray Nevers Quinn Romero Schedler Shepherd Smith Theunissen Ullo
Total - 0	ABSENT	

Lentini

Boasso

Total - 3

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

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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

May 15, 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 Bills and Joint Resolutions:

HOUSE BILL NO. 199-BY REPRESENTATIVES CAZAYOUX AND BARROW AN ACT

To enact R.S. 25:221.1, relative to the West Baton Rouge Parish Library; to prohibit the West Baton Rouge Parish Library Board of Control from spending the principal of the Judge Paul B. Landry, Jr. Memorial Fund; to authorize the board to spend the investment earnings of the fund; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 292— BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4574.1.1(A)(26), relative to St. Landry Parish; to increase the maximum rate of the hotel occupancy tax authorized to be levied by the St. Landry Parish Tourist Commission; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 343-

BY REPRESENTATIVE M. POWELL AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1496(A) and to enact R.S. 40:1496(B)(5), relative to Caddo Parish Fire District Number Five; to provide for an additional member of the board of commissioners of Caddo Parish Fire District Number Five appointed by the Caddo Parish Commission; to provide for the term of the additional commissioner; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 566— BY REPRESENTATIVE BURRELL

- AN ACT
- AN AC1 To amend and reenact the heading of Chapter 5-M of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S. 25:380.101, 380.102(A), 380.103(B)(5) and (C)(1), 380.104(A)(1) and (B), 380.105(A),(B), and (C)(1), (2)(b)(iii), and (3), and 380.106, and R.S. 36:744(X) and 801.17(A) and (C), relative to the Mability Streat Duration Station Musuum to hear as the areas McNeill Street Pumping Station Museum; to change the name of the museum to the Water Works Museum; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 750— BY REPRESENTATIVE HONEY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4574.16, relative to East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to the Baton Rouge Area Convention and Visitors Bureau; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the bureau; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 32— BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:2619, relative to the justice of the peace court in Ward 1 of Allen Parish; to authorize the constable of the court to utilize certain surplus automobiles; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 148— BY REPRESENTATIVES FARRAR, BURRELL, R. CARTER, FAUCHEUX, GALLOT, ELBERT GUILLORY, LABRUZZO, M. POWELL, RICHMOND, TOOMY, AND WHITE

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 16:11(A)(1), relative to the annual salary of assistant district attorneys; to increase the annual salary of assistant district attorneys payable by the state; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 192— BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO

AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 33:9033.4, relative to sales tax increment financing; to repeal the provision providing for sales tax increment financing in Jefferson Parish, including provisions for a special district and its rights and powers and the use of tax increment financing by the district.

HOUSE BILL NO. 193— BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER

AN ACT To enact R.S. 42:1121(J) and to repeal R.S. 42:1121(J), relative to Ebarb Waterworks District No. 1; to provide an exception to the post-service restrictions in the Code of Governmental Ethics to allow certain employment by Ebarb Waterworks District No. 1; to provide for subsequent repeal of such exception; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 221— BY REPRESENTATIVE MORRELL

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To amend and reenact R.S. 11:788(B)(2), to enact R.S. 11:449(E), and to repeal R.S. 11:788(B)(3), relative to the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana and the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System; to provide with respect to eligibility to redeposit all or any part of an eligible rollover distribution by retirees who received a qualified distribution pursuant to the Katrina Emergency Tax Relief Act of 2005 or the Gulf Opportunity Zone Act of 2005; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1541(4) and to enact R.S. 23:1531.1, relative to unemployment insurance; to authorize the secretary of the Department of Labor to require electronic filings of contribution and wage reports under certain circumstances; to provide that the electronic filing requirement be implemented through administrative rule; to provide for waiver; to provide relative to employer notification of contribution rates; and to provide for related matters.

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To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1123(18)(a) and to repeal R.S. 42:1123(18)(b), relative to ethics; to allow a physician on the board of commissioners of a hospital service district to engage in certain transactions and to own an interest in entities that engage in certain transactions; to require certain recusals by such physician board members; to remove a specific provision allowing such transactions by a cardiologist on such a board of commissioners; and to provide for related matters.

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AN ACT

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subdivision of the state; to provide for district purposes and the powers and duties of the district and its governing authority; to authorize the district, through its governing authority, to levy a hotel occupancy tax; to provide for the use of the avails of the tax and to otherwise provide with respect to such tax; and to provide for related matters.

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To enact R.S. 42:1123(2)(c), relative to ethics; to allow employees of public elementary or secondary schools to receive certain awards, including things of economic value, from certain persons; and to provide for related matters.

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on First Reading

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 32— BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:2619, relative to the justice of the peace court in Ward 1 of Allen Parish; to authorize the constable of the court to utilize certain surplus automobiles; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 148-

BY REPRESENTATIVES FARRAR, BURRELL, R. CARTER, FAUCHEUX, GALLOT, ELBERT GUILLORY, LABRUZZO, M. POWELL, RICHMOND, TOOMY, AND WHITE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 16:11(A)(1), relative to the annual salary of assistant district attorneys; to increase the annual salary of assistant district attorneys payable by the state; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 192— BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO

AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 33:9033.4, relative to sales tax increment financing; to repeal the provision providing for sales tax increment financing in Jefferson Parish, including provisions for a special district and its rights and powers and the use of tax increment financing by the district.

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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 199— BY REPRESENTATIVES CAZAYOUX AND BARROW AN ACT

To enact R.S. 25:221.1, relative to the West Baton Rouge Parish Library; to prohibit the West Baton Rouge Parish Library Board of Control from spending the principal of the Judge Paul B. Landry, Jr. Memorial Fund; to authorize the board to spend the investment earnings of the fund; and to provide for related matters

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4574.1.1(A)(26), relative to St. Landry Parish; to increase the maximum rate of the hotel occupancy tax authorized to be levied by the St. Landry Parish Tourist Commission; and to provide for related matters.

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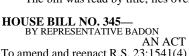
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HOUSE BILL NO. 343— BY REPRESENTATIVE M. POWELL

AN ACT To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1496(A) and to enact R.S. 40:1496(B)(5), relative to Caddo Parish Fire District Number Five; to provide for an additional member of the board of commissioners of Caddo Parish Fire District Number Five appointed by the Caddo Parish Commission; to provide for the term of the additional commissioner; and to provide for related matters.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 566— BY REPRESENTATIVE BURRELL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the heading of Chapter 5-M of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S. 25:380.101, 380.102(A), 380.103(B)(5) and (C)(1), 380.104(A)(1) and (B), 380.105(A),(B), and (C)(1), (2)(b)(iii), and (3), and 380.106, and R.S. 36:744(X) and 801.17(A) and (C), relative to the McNeill Street Pumping Station Museum; to change the name of the museum to the Water Works Museum; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 750— BY REPRESENTATIVE HONEY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4574.16, relative to East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to the Baton Rouge Area Convention and Visitors Bureau; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the bureau; and to provide for related matters.

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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. 44— BY SENATOR ELLINGTON AND REPRESENTATIVE KENNEY A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Nell Dailey McLemore of Winnsboro, Louisiana.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 46-BY SENATOR ELLINGTON

BY SENATOR ELLINGTON A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Jack Keahey, president of the Board of Commissioners of the Tensas Basin Levee District.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47— BY SENATOR MOUNT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION To commend and congratulate Reverend Dr. Doug Ezell upon the occasion of his retirement as Lake Charles District Superintendent of the United Methodist Church.

> Respectfully submitted, CHARLES D. JONES Chairman

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

Adjournment

Senator Bajoie moved that the Senate adjourn until Wednesday, May 16, 2007, at 1:30 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned until 1:30 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday, May 16, 2007.

GLENN A. KOEPP Secretary of the Senate

LYNDA E. WHEELER Journal Clerk