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**TWENTIETH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**Forty-Ninth Regular Session of the Legislature  
Under the Adoption of the  
Constitution of 1974**

Senate Chamber  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Tuesday, May 16, 2023

The Senate was called to order at 2:20 o'clock P.M. by Hon. Patrick Page Cortez, President of the Senate.

**Morning Hour**

**CONVENING ROLL CALL**

PRESENT

Mr. President	Fields	Mills, R.
Allain	Harris	Mizell
Barrow	Henry	Peacock
Bernard	Hensgens	Pope
Bouie	Hewitt	Price
Carter	Jackson	Reese
Cathey	Kleinpeter	Smith
Connick	Lambert	Stine
Duplessis	Milligan	Talbot
Fesi	Mills, F.	Womack
Total - 30		

ABSENT

Abraham	Foil	Morris
Boudreaux	Luneau	Tarver
Cloud	McMath	White
Total - 9		

The President of the Senate announced there were 30 Senators present and a quorum.

**Prayer**

The prayer was offered by Pastor Danny Knight, following which the Senate joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

**Reading of the Journal**

On motion of Senator Peacock, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of May 15, 2023, was adopted.

**Senate Resolutions on  
Second Reading**

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 85—**  
BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS

A RESOLUTION

To commend Dennis "Maliq" Barnes on his record-setting college scholarship awards and extraordinary achievements.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 87—**  
BY SENATOR PEACOCK

A RESOLUTION

To commend Raj Letchuman on winning the Louisiana Student of the Year award.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 89—**  
BY SENATOR CORTEZ

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Will Sentell on the occasion of his retirement from a distinguished career in journalism.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 90—**  
BY SENATOR CARTER

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Mr. Ismail Esau as Minister Plenipotentiary, Deputy Chief of Mission with the Embassy of the Republic of South Africa in Washington, D.C.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 91—**  
BY SENATOR FIELDS

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Louisiana's Legislative Youth Advisory Council (LYAC) on winning the Department of Homeland Security Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships' 2023 Invent2Prevent national high school competition.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 92—**  
BY SENATOR STINE

A RESOLUTION

To commend Landlocked Aviation Services on receiving the U.S. Small Business Administration 2023 Phoenix Award for Outstanding Small Business Disaster Recovery.

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

**Message from the House**

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN  
HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS**

May 15, 2023

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

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

HB No. 185	HB No. 610	HB No. 37
HB No. 43	HB No. 46	HB No. 296
HB No. 348	HB No. 523	HB No. 556
HB No. 618		

Respectfully submitted,  
MICHELLE D. FONTENOT  
Clerk of the House of Representatives

May 16, 2023

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on First Reading

HOUSE BILL NO. 37— BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2260(A)(2)(introductory paragraph) and (b) and (6), relative to the Firefighters' Retirement System; to provide for membership on the board of trustees; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 43— BY REPRESENTATIVES FIRMENT, BROWN, BUTLER, GLOVER, HORTON, ILLG, JEFFERSON, MIKE JOHNSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, KNOX, MCFARLAND, DUSTIN MILLER, NELSON, AND THOMPSON AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:2256(H) and 2256.3, relative to the Firefighters' Retirement System; to provide with respect to benefits of designated surviving children; to provide for payment of benefits; to provide with respect to a nonrecurring lump-sum supplemental payment to certain retirees and beneficiaries; to provide relative to eligibility for and calculation of such payment; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 46— BY REPRESENTATIVES HUGHES AND KNOX A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 21(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to ad valorem tax exemptions; to provide for eligibility of certain nonprofit organizations for such exemptions; to prohibit the exemption from ad valorem taxation of certain residential property owned by a nonprofit corporation or association based upon the condition of the property; to provide for determinations by local governing authorities with respect to the condition of certain property owned by a nonprofit corporation or association and leased as housing; to authorize the issuance or reinstatement of a property tax exemption to a nonprofit corporation or association in certain circumstances; to make technical changes and corrections; to provide for applicability; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 185— BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9091.4(B) and (E)(1) and (3)(c) and to repeal R.S. 33:9091.4(E)(3)(b), relative to Orleans Parish; to provide relative to the Lake Terrace Crime Prevention District; to provide relative to the boundaries and funding of the district; to provide relative to the parcel fee imposed and collected in the district; to provide relative to the renewal of such fee; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 296— BY REPRESENTATIVES HILFERTY AND LANDRY AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9091.14(F)(1), (2)(introductory paragraph), (3)(c), and (4) and to repeal R.S. 33:9091.14(F)(3)(b), relative to Orleans Parish; to provide relative to the Mid-City Security District; to provide relative to district funding; to provide relative to the parcel fee imposed and collected in the district; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 348— BY REPRESENTATIVES JENKINS, BACALA, BOYD, BRASS, BUTLER, CORMIER, EDMONDS, FISHER, GLOVER, HARRIS, JEFFERSON, JORDAN, KNOX, LACOMBE, LAFLEUR, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MCFARLAND, MOORE, NEWELL, PHELPS, AND WILLARD AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:409.2, 409.3, 409.4(A)(2) and (B)(1), and 409.5(A)(1)(a) and (B) and to enact R.S. 17:409.5(C), relative to school safety; to revise procedures for the reporting and investigation of threats of terrorism and violence; to revise definitions; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 523— BY REPRESENTATIVES LACOMBE, SCHEXNAYDER, AND STEFANSKI AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Article 306(B)(introductory paragraph) and (2), (C), and (G) and to enact Children's Code Article 815(F), relative to the custody of juveniles; to provide relative to the pre-adjudication detention of juveniles; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 556— BY REPRESENTATIVES DAVIS, CARRIER, EDMONDS, EDMONSTON, GAROFALO, HORTON, KNOX, MCKNIGHT, MCMAHEN, GREGORY MILLER, RISER, SCHLEGEL, SEABAUGH, STEFANSKI, THOMPSON, AND VILLIO AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:110.2(B) and to enact R.S. 15:571.36(A)(8) through (14), (B), and (C) and 835, relative to electronic monitoring equipment; to require the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to develop additional policies and procedures relative to electronic monitoring equipment; to provide for a reporting requirement; to provide for penalties; to provide relative to the imposition of electronic monitoring; to provide for registration; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 610— BY REPRESENTATIVE JENKINS AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:44.1(A), relative to individual income tax; to provide relative to taxation of retirement income; to provide for the amount of annual retirement income that is exempt from state taxation; to provide for applicability; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 618— BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:33 and Section 4 of Act No. 109 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Legislature as amended by Act No. 6 of the 2018 Second Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, relative to income tax credits and deductions; to provide with respect to the income tax credit for taxes paid to other states; to provide with respect to the deduction for taxes paid to other states; to provide for certain requirements and limitations; to repeal certain limitations; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**Message from the House**

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN  
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

May 16, 2023

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

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

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| HCR No. 58  | HCR No. 11 | HCR No. 12 |
| HCR No. 52  | HCR No. 67 | HCR No. 69 |
| HCR No. 101 |            |            |

Respectfully submitted,  
MICHELLE D. FONTENOT  
Clerk of the House of Representatives

**House Concurrent Resolutions  
on First Reading**

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DUBUISSON  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to improve the mental health of military veterans by supporting exposure to nature with the designation of "Get Outside Day".

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE DUBUISSON  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to establish the "Agent Orange Veterans Service Medal" to commemorate the service and sacrifice of veterans who were exposed to the Agent Orange herbicide during the Vietnam War from 1961 to 1971.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the United States Congress and the National Security Council to conduct a formal review of the Status of Forces Agreement between the United States and Japan.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 58—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana attorney general to seek all available, obtainable, and accessible means of legal relief, including but not limited to filing and initiating a civil proceeding against the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to protect the interest of Louisiana citizens against FEMA's new pricing methodology and approach for the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) named Risk Rating 2.0.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 67—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES MIKE JOHNSON, BACALA, DEVILLIER, EMERSON, FIRMENT, FREEMAN, ILLG, KNOX, LAFLEUR, AND TARVER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to support H.R. 82 and S. 597 of the 118<sup>th</sup> Congress, the Social Security Fairness Act, and all other similar legislation and to take such actions as are necessary to review and eliminate all provisions of federal law which reduce Social Security benefits for those receiving pension benefits from federal, state, or local government retirement or pension systems, plans, or funds.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES MIKE JOHNSON, JEFFERSON, KNOX, AND LAFLEUR

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the House Committee on Retirement and Senate Committee on Retirement to study and make recommendations regarding benefit options for future employees of the state of Louisiana to avoid penalties associated with the Government Pension Offset and Windfall Elimination Program.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 101—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIGUEZ AND SENATOR FRED MILLS  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Paul Maraist.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions on  
Second Reading**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 16—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHLEGEL, GAROFALO, AND VILLIO  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:62(B)(1) and to enact R.S. 14:62(B)(3), relative to simple burglary; to provide for an additional penalty; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 21—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES STAGNI AND COX  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:500.2(A)(1) and (2)(c) and (d) and (E)(1) and 1206.2(A)(1) and (2)(c) and (d) and (E)(1)(a) and to enact R.S. 17:500.2(A)(2)(e) and 1206.2(A)(2)(e), relative to extended sick leave for certain school employees; to provide relative to requirements of sick leave related to pregnancy and infant care for school bus operators and public school employees; to provide definitions; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 33—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:3375(B) and to repeal R.S. 3:3369(J), relative to structural pest control; to change the term of appointment for certain research committee members; to remove the wait period for persons to retake the registered technician examination; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 34—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES BACALA, ADAMS, JEFFERSON, KNOX, AND LAFLEUR  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:2225.5 and to repeal R.S. 11:107.2, 243(A)(8), 246(A)(8), and 2225(A)(7), relative to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System; to establish a funding deposit account; to provide for source of funding therefor; to authorize the board of trustees to adjust employer contribution rates; to provide for additional payments to retirees, survivors, and beneficiaries; to provide for funding of, eligibility for, and payment of the additional payments; to provide for payment of system liabilities; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 36—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS JOHNSON  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:341(D) and to enact R.S. 3:342(J), relative to the Delta Agriculture Research and Sustainability District; to provide for district boundaries; to provide for personal immunity of board members; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 56—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MOORE  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:407.30.1, relative to early childhood care and education in the Monroe City School District; to authorize the Monroe City School Board to levy an ad valorem tax for the purpose of funding early childhood care and education; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 60—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:4602(4) and (29), relative to weighing and measuring devices; to add "electricity disbursed by electric vehicle supply equipment" and "electric vehicle supply equipment" to certain definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 70—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES VILLIO, SCHEXNAYDER, AND SCHLEGEL  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:571.3(B)(1)(a) and (D) and 574.4(A)(1)(a) and to enact R.S. 15:571.3(B)(3) and 574.4(A)(1)(c), relative to criminal sentencing; to provide relative to diminution of sentence; to provide for the rate of diminution of sentence for certain circumstances; to provide for parole eligibility; to provide relative to parole eligibility for certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 85—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:109, relative to offenses affecting law enforcement; to create the crime of approaching a law enforcement officer lawfully engaged in law enforcement duties; to provide for a definition; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 103—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES MUSCARELLO AND MCKNIGHT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:183.3(B)(2)(b), 270(A) and (B), 5025(introductory paragraph) and (7) and 5026(A)(2), to enact R.S. 17:5025(8), 5025.6, and 5026(E), and to repeal R.S. 17:274.1(C)(2), relative to curricula; to add Financial Literacy as a required high school course; to remove requirements for instruction in personal financial management; to provide for alignment with the core curriculum required for qualification for TOPS awards; to provide for applicability; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 105—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARRIER  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:539(C)(8)(n), relative to employees of the Kinder Public Housing Authority; to provide that employees of the authority shall not be in the state civil service; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 109—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILFORD CARTER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 316(9) and (10) and 319(A) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 316(11), relative to bail; to provide relative to factors in fixing the amount of bail; to provide that the amount of bail shall be fixed in an amount having regard to the presumption of innocence until the defendant is proven guilty; to provide relative to modifications of bail; to provide relative to motions filed to reduce the amount of bail; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 136—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:381(C)(35), relative to the village of Noble and Sabine Parish; to provide for the abolition of the office of police chief and the police department in the village of Noble; to authorize the town to contract with other law enforcement entities in the parish for law enforcement services; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 139—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE STEFANSKI  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:2575.10, relative to Acadia Parish; to provide relative to administrative adjudication of certain ordinance violations; to provide definitions for certain violations; to provide relative to the types of violations subject to

administrative adjudication procedures; to provide relative to appeals; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 163—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE SELDERS  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2476.7, relative to the Baton Rouge municipal fire and police civil service board; to provide relative to the office of board secretary; to provide relative to the qualifications, salary, and benefits of the secretary; to provide relative to supervision of the secretary; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 182—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES EDMONSTON, AMEDEE, AND CHARLES OWEN  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:170(A)(4), relative to student immunization requirements; to provide that no person shall be required to receive a COVID-19 vaccine as a condition of initial enrollment or continuing attendance at a public or nonpublic school; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 213—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:3.1.1, relative to public records; to exempt certain surveillance and security video in and around buildings owned, operated, or maintained by a public school board or a charter school from the Public Records Law; to provide for policies adopted by school governing authorities to provide for limited retention and viewing of surveillance and security video in and around school property; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 223—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4569.1(B)(2), relative to Iberville Parish; to provide relative to the Iberville Parish Parks and Recreation District; to provide relative to the employees of the district; to provide relative to the powers granted to the governing authority of Iberville Parish with respect to such employees; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 224—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:2233.5, relative to the city of New Orleans; to provide relative to the procurement of goods and services; to provide relative to contracts awarded to socially and economically disadvantaged businesses; to authorize certain entities to set-aside a certain percentage of contracts to be awarded to such businesses; to provide relative to rules and regulations regarding the certification of socially and economically disadvantaged businesses; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 225—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4071(F)(1) and (2), relative to the city of New Orleans; to provide relative to the sewerage and water board; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the board; to provide relative to billing for sewerage and water services; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 231—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MINCEY  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 29:295(E), relative to the Department of Veterans Affairs; to provide relative to burials at state and national veterans cemeteries; to provide for the powers of the department; to provide relative to the adoption of rules; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 237—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHAMERHORN AND FIRMENT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:402(A), (B), (C), (D)(1) through (5) and (7) through (10), (F), and (G)(1) and (2) and R.S. 15:1352(A)(66), to enact R.S. 14:402(D)(11), (12), (13), and (14) and (H), and to repeal R.S. 14:402(E), relative to contraband; to provide relative to contraband in correctional facilities; to provide relative to introducing contraband into or upon the grounds of any correctional facility; to provide for a definition of correctional facility; to classify certain items as contraband; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 240—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LYONS  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2590.1(B), relative to justice of the peace court costs in certain parishes; to authorize an increase in court costs collected by a justice of the peace for certain filings and services in civil matters; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 268—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1992(B), relative to required salary increases for members of the Sulphur fire department; to require salary increases for certain additional members; to provide relative to the computation of all such increases; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 270—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLARD  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:5062.2, relative to Orleans Parish; to provide relative to the growth and accumulation of grass, weeds, and other deleterious matter; to provide relative to the powers granted to the parish governing authority with respect to the removal of any such deleterious matter; to provide relative to costs incurred by the parish governing authority relative to removal; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

May 16, 2023

**HOUSE BILL NO. 274—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE JEFFERSON  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:1236.31, relative to Lincoln Parish; to provide relative to the investment of certain parish funds; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 277—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES BAGLEY, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BEAULLIEU, BOURRIAQUE, BROWN, BUTLER, WILFORD CARTER, CORMIER, COUSSAN, COX, CREWS, ECHOLS, FIRMONT, FONTENOT, GADBERRY, GAROFALO, HORTON, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, MIKE JOHNSON, KNOX, MACK, MAGEE, MCCORMICK, MCMAHEN, MOORE, NELSON, ORGERON, PIERRE, PRESSLY, RISER, AND SEABAUGH  
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 4(D)(3) and (4) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to state severance tax revenues; to increase the limit on the amount of such revenues remitted to parishes; to authorize the legislature to enact laws relative to the expenditure by parishes of such remitted amounts; to repeal provisions for an increase in state severance tax revenues to be remitted to parishes contingent upon certain conditions; to implement provisions pertaining to deposit of certain revenues into the Atchafalaya Basin Conservation Fund; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 278—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES MCFARLAND, JEFFERSON, AND SEABAUGH  
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 4(D) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to allocation of state severance tax revenues to parishes; to provide for amounts of severance tax revenues to be remitted to parishes; to require that a certain portion of such revenues remitted to parishes be expended for transportation-related purposes; to implement provisions pertaining to deposit of certain revenues into the Atchafalaya Basin Conservation Fund; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 304—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:586, relative to vacancies in an elected office; to provide relative to the retirement or resignation of an elected official; to provide relative to appointments and elections to fill such a vacancy; to provide a prohibition; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 321—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES VILLIO AND GAROFALO  
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 43 of Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 13:5991 through 5993, and Children's Code Article 412(N), relative to access to criminal justice records; to establish the Truth and Transparency in the Louisiana Criminal Justice System Pilot Program; to provide relative to the identification of minute entries; to provide relative to access of minute entries; to require entities to provide access to minute entries; to require the establishment of a website or online portal; to provide relative to termination of the pilot program; to provide relative to duties and obligations; to provide relative to the confidentiality of certain juvenile records;

to provide relative to immunity from prosecution; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 326—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES NELSON AND JEFFERSON  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:7.2(A)(4), relative to approved teacher education programs; to require teacher education program students receive certain instruction on teaching mathematics; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 344—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE SELDERS  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4886, relative to parishes and municipalities; to provide relative to permits required by parishes and municipalities; to prohibit any parish or municipality from requiring a permit for certain services provided by an authorized utility provider; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 345—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:5554.11, relative to the payment of group insurance premiums for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs in Pointe Coupee Parish; to create a permanent fund; to require the depositing of certain monies into the fund; to provide for investment of monies in the fund; to authorize the withdrawal of earnings; to provide for limitations on appropriations from the fund; to provide for audits of the fund; to provide for the membership and election on the investment advisory board; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 355—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:338.225, relative to the city of Eunice; to authorize the governing authority of the city, subject to voter approval, to levy and collect a hotel occupancy tax; to provide for the use of the tax proceeds; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 369—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1482(A), (B), and (C)(introductory paragraph) and (1), relative to premium discounts on automobile insurance policies for servicemen of the Louisiana Air National Guard and Louisiana Army National Guard; to provide for premium discounts; to require insurers to provide a premium discount on automobile insurance policies to personnel serving in the Louisiana Air National Guard and Louisiana Army National Guard; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 399—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES EDMONSTON, AMEDEE, AND CHARLES OWEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:170(E), relative to student immunization requirements; to require that any communication issued to students or their parents or guardians relative to immunization requirements include information relative to exemption from such requirements; to provide that exemptions apply to those attending schools in addition to those seeking to enter schools; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 403—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1053(A)(2), relative to coverage of step therapy or fail first protocols; to authorize substitution of biosimilar biological products designated by the federal Food and Drug Administration; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 477—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 388, relative to prosecution of criminal offenses; to provide relative to information provided when prosecuting offenses; to require prosecuting agencies to include certain information in the indictment, information, or affidavit; to provide relative to requirements for the booking agency; to provide relative to requirements for the clerk of court; to authorize the supreme court to report information to the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 484—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES EDMONDS, BRYANT, KNOX, AND LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:98.1(A)(2) and (3)(b) and 98.2(A)(2) and (3)(b) and R.S. 32:378.2(B)(1)(a)(ii), 414(A)(1)(c), and 667(B)(1)(b) and (c) and (3) and (H)(1) and to enact R.S. 32:414(A)(1)(d), relative to operating a vehicle while intoxicated; to provide relative to suspension of a driver's license for a first and second offense of operating a vehicle while intoxicated; to provide relative to eligibility for a hardship license; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 489—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE HUVAL AND SENATOR TALBOT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1451(B) through (F) and to enact R.S. 22:1451(G) through (L), relative to insurers and rate service organizations; to provide for a ratemaking system; to provide for prospective loss costs and loss costs adjustments; to provide for rates and rate changes for competitive and noncompetitive markets; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 511—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:2055(6)(b)(introductory paragraph) and (i), 2056(C)(2)(introductory paragraph), (c), and (d), 2058(A)(introductory paragraph), (1)(b)(iii) and (d), (3)(a)(ii) and (c), and (B)(introductory paragraph) and (6)(a), 2061.1(A), (B)(1), and (D), 2062(A)(1),(2), and (6), to enact R.S. 22:2056(C)(2)(g) and 2062(E), and to repeal R.S. 22:2062(A)(2)(c), relative to the Louisiana Insurance Guaranty Association; to provide to for the coverage, confidentiality, and payment of claims by the Louisiana Insurance Guaranty Association; to provide for clarification of definitions; to broaden the subject matter for discussion during an executive session; to provide for confidentiality; to provide for a minimum and maximum amount that the Louisiana Insurance Guaranty Association may pay on a claim; to clarify the calculation of premiums; to create policies and procedures for insolvent insurers; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 571—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the heading of Subpart A-3 of Part II of Chapter 2 of Subtitle I of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S. 30:209(4)(e)(introductory paragraph), 1105(A), 1109(A), 1110(C)(introductory paragraph) and (1)(introductory paragraph) and (f) and (g), (E)(2), (F), (G), and (H) and to enact R.S. 30:6(H) and 149, the heading of Subpart A-4 of Part II of Chapter 2 of Subtitle I of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S. 30:209.2, 1104.1, 1107.1, 1109(G), 1110(C)(1)(h) and (I), and 1112, and R.S. 56:30.5, relative to carbon capture and sequestration; to provide for notice to parishes regarding certain well permit applications, State Mineral and Energy Board operating agreements, and geophysical surveys related to carbon dioxide sequestration; to provide for the distribution of funds received by the state for the storage of carbon dioxide; to provide relative to certificates of completion of injection operations; to provide relative to release from liability; to provide relative to the Carbon Dioxide Geologic Storage Trust Fund; to provide for collections of fees for the fund; to provide for uses of the fund; to provide for recordation of notices of geologic storage agreements; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 586—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES STEFANSKI, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BAGLEY, BUTLER, WILFORD CARTER, CORMIER, DAVIS, EDMONDS, FIRMENT, GAROFALO, GOUDEAU, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, MOORE, ROBERT OWEN, PIERRE, SCHEXNAYDER, STAGNI, THOMPSON, AND WHITE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 9:2800.77, relative to civil actions; to provide relative to civil liability for actions related to fentanyl ingestion; to provide relative to fentanyl trafficking or related commercial activity; to provide for attorney fees, expert witness fees and expenses, court costs, and exemplary damages; to provide for burden of proof; to provide for exceptions; to provide relative to comparative fault; to provide relative to prescription; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 592—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHAMERHORN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:402.1(A)(2) and R.S. 40:1461(F), to enact R.S. 32:407(G), and to repeal R.S. 40:1461(G), relative to driver education; to allow a driving skills test administered by

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a properly licensed third party examiner to driver education requirements for those eighteen years of age and older; to provide for a skills test for nonparticipants in a driver education course; to remove the requirement that licensed and contracted driving instructor training schools or agencies also become licensed third-party testers; to designate third-party examiner as licensed and contracted administrator of knowledge and driving skills test required for Class "D" or "E" license; to provide the option for a parent or legal guardian to submit a signature electronically for certain credentials which allow the operation of a motor vehicle; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

HOUSE BILL NO. 634—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MCFARLAND, BAGLEY, FIRMENT, HORTON, CHARLES OWEN, SCHAMERHORN, AND THOMPSON  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:633(9)(d)(v), relative to severance tax; to provide with respect to a severance tax exemption for production of oil and gas from wells drilled to a certain depth; to provide for eligibility for the exemption; to provide with respect to certain applications for well status determination filed with the Department of Natural Resources; to provide for the application of certain laws; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 638—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MCFARLAND, ADAMS, BACALA, BAGLEY, BUTLER, ROBBY CARTER, CORMIER, EDMONDS, FIRMENT, GLOVER, HORTON, JEFFERSON, CHARLES OWEN, RISER, SCHAMERHORN, THOMPSON, AND WHITE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:297.20(C) and 6042(B)(introductory paragraph) and (1), (D), and (F)(4), relative to tax benefits for adoption of children from foster care and donations to foster care charitable organizations; to provide relative to a tax deduction for adoption of children from foster care; to provide relative to a tax credit for donations to foster care charitable organizations; to provide for administration of the tax deduction and tax credit by the Department of Revenue; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

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

House Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 40—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PIERRE  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request each state agency report fiscal data regarding the amount, source, and spending categories of any program funds spent on transportation services for their clients.

The resolution was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 93—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Julie Tregre Cherry.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock
Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	

Total - 38

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 94—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Kenneth "Biggy" Johnston.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock
Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	

Total - 38

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

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



**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 98—**  
 BY REPRESENTATIVES LAFLEUR AND BOYD  
 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate Thursday, May 18, 2022, as AKA Day at the state capitol and to commend the members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

**Floor Amendments**

Senator Barrow proposed the following amendments.

**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senator Jackson to Original House Concurrent Resolution No. 98 by Representative LaFleur

AMENDMENT NO. 1  
 On page 1, line 2, change "2022" to "2023"

AMENDMENT NO. 2  
 On page 2, line 19, change "eleven" to "fifteen"

On motion of Senator Barrow, the amendments were adopted.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock
Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	
Total - 38		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau  
 Total - 1

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 99—**  
 BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN  
 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Dow on over one hundred twenty-five years of operation in 2023 and to recognize May 17, 2023, as Dow Day at the state capitol.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock
Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	
Total - 38		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau  
 Total - 1

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

**Reports of Committees**

The following reports of committees were received and read:

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON**

**JUDICIARY A**

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

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To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 43—**  
 BY SENATOR MORRIS

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study and make recommendations on legislation relative to electronic filing and records retention.

Reported favorably.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 5—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES FRIEMAN, AMEDEE, BACALA, CREWS, EDMONDS, EMERSON, GAROFALO, HARRIS, HILFERTY, HORTON, JEFFERSON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, MACK, MCFARLAND, SEABAUGH, STAGNI, THOMAS, AND WHITE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the heading of Part 1-B of Chapter 1 of Code Title VII of Book I of Title 9 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and to enact R.S. 9:399.2, relative to paternal obligations; to provide relative to pregnancy-related medical expenses; to provide relative to evidence of paternity; to provide for peremption; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 30—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE TARVER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:589(C), relative to the salary of magistrate judges in the Fourteenth Judicial District Court; to

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change the salary of magistrate judges in the Fourteenth Judicial District Court; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 61—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHLEGEL, AMEDEE, BUTLER, CARRIER, DAVIS, EDMONSTON, EMERSON, FIRMINT, FISHER, FONTENOT, HODGES, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, KNOX, LARVADAIN, MACK, MOORE, CHARLES OWEN, SCHAMERHORN, THOMPSON, VILLIO, AND WHITE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 9:2717.1, relative to contracts with minors; to provide relative to interactive computer services; to provide for consent by a legal representative; to provide for exceptions; to provide for nullity; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 220—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PRESSLY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Civil Code Articles 531 and 3440 and Code of Civil Procedure Articles 1061, 3651, 3653 through 3655, 3656(A), 3657 through 3662, and 3669, relative to actions to determine ownership or possession; to provide with respect to petitory actions, possessory actions, actions for declaratory judgments to determine ownership, and similar proceedings; to provide for proof of ownership of immovables; to provide with respect to precarious possession; to provide for reconventional demands; to provide with respect to cumulation of actions; to provide with respect to disturbances in fact and in law; to provide with respect to possession and admissibility of title; to provide for relief and appeals; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 298—

BY REPRESENTATIVES HUGHES, BOYD, JEFFERSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, KNOX, NELSON, AND FREEMAN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Articles 1004(A), 1004.1, 1015, 1015.1, 1016(A), 1037(B), and 1039(B) and Civil Code Article 137(A), to enact Children's Code Articles 1004.2 and 1015.2, and to repeal Children's Code Article 1004(I), relative to the termination of parental rights; to provide for the authorization to file a petition for termination; to provide that the conviction and commission of a sex offense leading to the conception of the child is grounds for termination of parental rights; to provide for the petitioner's right to counsel; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 379—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKNIGHT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 9:2796(C) and to repeal R.S. 9:2796.1, relative to the limitation of liability for loss connected with parades, festivities, fairs, and festivals; to provide for liability associated with St. Patrick's Day and other ethnic parades; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,  
BARROW PEACOCK  
Chairman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

JUDICIARY B

Senator Gary L. Smith Jr., Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

May 16, 2023

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. 189—

BY SENATOR JACKSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 4:724(J)(1)(a), the introductory paragraph of 724(J)(1)(b), 724(J)(2), and (K) and to enact R.S. 4:724(L), relative to electronic or video bingo; to provide for operation of machines by a licensed distributor if certain criteria are met; to provide for authorized locations; to provide for a replacement location in certain circumstances; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 19—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BUTLER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:783(F)(12), relative to group insurance expenses of the office of the clerk of court; to provide for the payment of group insurance premiums for certain retirees of the Evangeline Parish Clerk of Court; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 77—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHLEGEL, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAGLEY, BUTLER, CARRIER, CREWS, DAVIS, ECHOLS, EDMONDS, EDMONSTON, EMERSON, FARNUM, FIRMINT, FONTENOT, FREIBERG, GAROFALO, GOUDEAU, HARRIS, HODGES, HORTON, ILLG, IVEY, MIKE JOHNSON, KERNER, MACK, MCMAHEN, MIGUEZ, MINCEY, MOORE, CHARLES OWEN, PRESSLY, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SEABAUGH, ST. BLANC, STAGNI, TARVER, THOMAS, THOMPSON, VILLIO, AND WHITE

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 31-B of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:2121, relative to liability for publishers and distributors of material harmful to minors; to provide for the investigation and pursuit of actions by the attorney general; to provide for civil penalties for failure to perform age verification; to provide for attorney fees and court costs; to provide for exceptions; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 226—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:1879 and 2583.1(C), relative to certain marshals and constables of city courts; to provide relative to elections and designations of marshals and constables; to provide for the designation of the marshal of the city of Sulphur; to provide relative to qualifications of deputy constables; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 488—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 27:44(24) and 44.1(B)(1) and R.S. 40:1563(M) and (N) and to enact R.S. 27:44.2 and R.S. 40:1563(O), relative to riverboat gaming; to provide relative to the definition of riverboat; to provide relative to inspections by third-party inspectors; to provide relative to inspections of riverboat landside facilities by the state fire marshal; to provide relative to fees for inspections of the riverboat landside facilities; to provide relative to the Louisiana Fire Marshal Fund; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the state fire marshal; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,  
GARY L. SMITH JR.  
Chairman

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON  
JUDICIARY C**

Senator Franklin J. Foil, 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:

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES CHARLES OWEN, AMEDEE, BACALA, BOYD, CARRIER, ECHOLS, EDMONDS, EDMONSTON, EMERSON, FIRMENT, FONTENOT, GADBERRY, GAROFALO, HORTON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, LARVADAIN, MIGUEZ, MOORE, ORGERON, AND SCHAMERHORN  
**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**  
To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to halt the influx of fentanyl from Mexico and China into the United States.

Reported favorably.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 441—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRYANT  
**AN ACT**  
To amend and reenact R.S. 14:37.5(B)(2) and (3), relative to assault; to provide relative to the crime of aggravated assault upon a utility service employee with a firearm; to amend definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 475—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES MAGEE AND KNOX  
**AN ACT**  
To amend and reenact Code of Evidence Article 404(B)(1), relative to evidence; to prohibit the admissibility of a defendant's creative or artistic expression; to provide for exceptions; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to the admissibility of a defendant's creative or artistic expression in a criminal case; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,  
FRANKLIN J. FOIL  
Chairman

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 34—**  
BY SENATORS BERNARD, PEACOCK AND SMITH  
**AN ACT**  
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:410(A)(3)(c), R.S. 39:17.2(D), and to enact R.S. 40:1321(U), relative to state driver's licenses and state photo identification cards; to provide for added language to driver's license requirements; to make technical changes; 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. 34 by Senator Bernard

AMENDMENT NO. 1  
On page 1, line 14, delete "**Suicide**" and insert "**Crisis**"

AMENDMENT NO. 2  
On page 2, line 6, delete "**Suicide**" and insert "**Crisis**"

AMENDMENT NO. 3  
On page 2, line 20, delete "**Suicide**" and insert "**Crisis**"

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 43—**  
BY SENATOR BOUIE  
**AN ACT**  
To amend and reenact R.S. 32:1252(25) through (27), (45), and (59) through (74) and to enact R.S. 32:1252(46)(c)(vii) and (75), relative to trolling motors; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to licensing requirements and exemptions; and to provide for related matters.

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 50—**  
BY SENATOR ABRAHAM  
**AN ACT**  
To enact Chapter 38 of Title 48 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 48:2221 through 2234, relative to the creation of the Calcasieu Parish Tolling Authority; to provide for definitions; to establish a board of directors; to specify the purpose, powers, jurisdiction, and duties of the authority; to provide relative to the ethics code and public records; to provide relative to tolls, bonds, and other revenue; to provide relative to certain projects, acquisition of land, and utilities; to provide relative to public-private partnership projects; 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. 50 by Senator Abraham

AMENDMENT NO. 1  
On page 1, line 3, delete "Tolling" and insert "I-10 Bridge"

AMENDMENT NO. 2  
On page 1, line 12, delete "**TOLLING**" and insert "**I-10 BRIDGE**"

AMENDMENT NO. 3  
On page 1, line 15, delete "**Tolling**" and insert "**I-10 Bridge**"

AMENDMENT NO. 4  
On page 2, line 2, delete "**Tolling**" and insert "**I-10 Bridge**"

AMENDMENT NO. 5  
On page 2, line 13, delete "**Tolling**" and insert "**I-10 Bridge**"

On page AMENDMENT NO. 6  
On page 2, delete lines 16 through 22

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, line 23, delete "(2)" and insert "C."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 24, delete "Tolling" and insert "I-10 Bridge"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 3, line 8, delete "shall mean" and insert "means" and after "Parish" delete "Tolling" and insert "I-10 Bridge"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, line 9, delete "shall mean" and insert "means" and after "Parish" delete "Tolling" and insert "I-10 Bridge"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, line 11, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, line 12, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, line 14, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 3, line 17, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 3, line 20, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 3, line 23, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 3, line 27, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 3, line 28, delete "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 4, line 2, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 4, line 5, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 4, line 9, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 4, line 10, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 4, line 15, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 4, line 17, delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 4, between lines 18 and 19, insert "(15) 'State procurement project' means the procurement of any project initiated by the department, including the construction of the bridge to replace the existing Interstate 10 Calcasieu River Bridge and the subsequently executed contract."

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 4, line 19, delete "(15)" and insert "(16)" and delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 4 line 20, delete "(16)" and insert "(17)" and delete "shall mean" and insert "means"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 4, line 22, delete "Tolling" and insert "I-10 Bridge"

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 4, line 24, delete "Tolling" and insert "I-10 Bridge"

AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 4, line 27, after "jurisdiction" insert ", except for a state procurement project"

AMENDMENT NO. 31

On page 4, line 29, delete "nine" and insert "seven"

AMENDMENT NO. 32

On page 5, delete line 4 and on line 5 delete "a minority," and insert "(a) One director who resides in Calcasieu Parish"

AMENDMENT NO. 33

On page 5, line 8, after "Sulphur" delete "1"

AMENDMENT NO. 34

On page 5, line 10, after "Westlake" delete "1"

AMENDMENT NO. 35

On page 5, line 12, delete "Three" and insert "Two"

AMENDMENT NO. 36

On page 5, line 13, after "Parish" insert ", one of whom shall be a minority"

AMENDMENT NO. 37

On page 6, line 7, after "perform" delete "1" and insert "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 38

On page 6, lines 7 and 8, delete "Department of Transportation and Development" and insert "department."

AMENDMENT NO. 39

On page 6, line 17, delete "public records law" and insert "Public Records Law"

AMENDMENT NO. 40

On page 6, line 18, delete "open meetings law pursuant to R.S. 42:4.1 et seq., of this state," and insert "Open Meetings Law pursuant to R.S. 42:11 et seq."

AMENDMENT NO. 41

On page 7, between lines 20 and 21 insert "(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph, the authority shall not have any rights and powers with respect to any state procurement project."

AMENDMENT NO. 42

On page 7, line 23 after "with" delete "its" and insert "authority"

AMENDMENT NO. 43

On page 8, line 2, delete "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 44

On page 8, line 9, delete "deem" and insert "consider"

AMENDMENT NO. 45

On page 8, line 20, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 46

On page 8, line, 28, delete "deem" and insert "consider"

AMENDMENT NO. 47

On page 8, line 29, delete "Such entry" and insert "Entry"

AMENDMENT NO. 48

On page 9, line, 1, delete "deemed" and insert "considered"

AMENDMENT NO. 49

On page 9, line 2, delete "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 50

On page 9, line 3, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 51

On page 9, line 4, delete "such" and insert "an"

AMENDMENT NO. 52

On page 9, line 13, delete "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 53

On page 9, line 14, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 54

On page 9, line 26, delete "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 55

On page 10 between lines 1 and 2, insert the following:

**"(23) To receive and utilize monies identified within the Megaprojects Leverage Fund, R.S. 48:77.1(1)(a), designated as the I-10 Calcasieu River Bridge and I-10 Improvements Account, and the authority may utilize the monies to reduce or eliminate the cost of tolling for citizens within the five parish area of southwest Louisiana including Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, and Jefferson Davis Parish and in accordance with applicable state and federal law."**

AMENDMENT NO. 56

On page 10, line 15, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 57

On page 11, line 4, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 58

On page 11, line 6, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 59

On page 11, line 7, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 60

On page 11, line 11, delete "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 61

On page 11, line 27, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 62

On page 12, line 9, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 63

On page 12, line 21, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 64

On page 12, line 29, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 65

On page 13, delete lines 5 through 11 and insert the following: **"be of a series, bear a date or dates, mature at a time or times, bear interest at a rate or rates, including but not limited to fixed, variable, or zero rates, be payable at a time or times, be in denominations, be in a form, carry a registration and exchangeability privilege, be payable in a medium of payment and at a place or places, be subject to terms of redemption prior to maturity at a price or prices as determined by the authority, and be entitled to priority on the revenues as a resolution or"**

AMENDMENT NO. 66

On page 13, line 14, delete "such" and insert "a"

AMENDMENT NO. 67

On page 14, line 7, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 68

On page 14, line 20, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 69

On page 15, line 7, delete "Such" and insert "The"

AMENDMENT NO. 70

On page 15, line 16, delete "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 71

On page 16, line 4, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 72

On page 16, line 16, after "A," delete "Any" and insert "With the exception of a state procurement project, any"

AMENDMENT NO. 73

On page 17, line 24, delete "such"

AMENDMENT NO. 74

On page 17, line 28, delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 75

On page 18, line 11, delete "such" and insert "the"

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 111—**  
BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS

## AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 973(E) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 985.2, relative to expungement of records; to provide relative to automated expungement of certain criminal records; to require the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information to send certain records to the Louisiana Supreme Court Case Management Information System; to provide relative to duties of the clerks of district courts; to authorize the adoption of rules and regulations by state police and the supreme court; to provide relative to the effects of expunged records of arrest and conviction; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

## SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 111 by Senator Duplessis

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 6, after "with" and before "final" insert "a Case Management Information System (CMIS) number and"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, delete lines 9 through 13 and insert the following:

**"B. Beginning January 1, 2025, a defendant may submit a request through the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information for expungement through the automated process. The form shall contain the defendant's name, date of birth, last four digits of their social security number, arrest date, and case number. Within thirty days of receipt of the request, the Bureau shall expunge any eligible records identified in Paragraph A of this Article and shall send the records with a Case Management Information System number and final dispositions to the Louisiana Supreme Court Case Management Information System."**

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 11, change "2000" to "2006"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

**"G. This Article shall be subject to the appropriate funding necessary for implementation and provided for in the executive budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026."**

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

SENATE BILL NO. 137—

BY SENATORS BARROW, BOUDREAU, CARTER, HENSGENS, LUNEAU, MCMATH, FRED MILLS, MIZELL AND POPE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(34) and to enact R.S. 36:4.1(C)(16), R.S. 40:2019(C)(23), and R.S. 49:210.1, relative to the Office of Child Advocacy; to provide for the Office of Child Advocacy within the office of the governor; to provide for the state child advocate; to provide for the duties of the office; to provide for the duties of state agencies; to provide for access to certain records; to provide for confidentiality of certain records and an exception to the Public Records Law; to prohibit retaliation by certain parties; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 137 by Senator Barrow

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 5, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 7, after "Law;" insert "to provide for legislative review;"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 2, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 12, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, line 26, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 27, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 27, after "created," insert "subject to the appropriation of funds by the legislature."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 29, after "children" insert "and delivery of services to children"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, line 3, after "awareness," delete the remainder of the line and delete line 4 and insert "and training."

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, line 5, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, line 6, delete "advocate. The state child advocate" and insert "ombudsman. The state child ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 3, line 9, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 3, line 11, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 3, line 15, delete "Child Advocacy and the state child advocate" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman and the state child ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 3, line 17, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 3, line 18, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 3, line 19, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 3, line 20, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 3, line 21, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 4, line 3, delete "investigate" and insert "coordinate"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 4, line 4, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 4, line 7, delete "Provide support to" and insert "Act as a liaison for"

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 4, line 11, delete "juvenile" and insert "child"

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 4, line 16, after "(7)" delete the remainder of the line and insert "Conduct"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 4, line 17, after "education," delete the remainder of the line and insert "undertake legislative advocacy, and make"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 4, line 20, after "review" delete the remainder of the line and on line 21 delete "care or permanent care facility"

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 4, line 26, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 5, line 1, delete "or correctional confinement"

AMENDMENT NO. 31

On page 5, line 3, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "the State Child Ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 32

On page 5, delete lines 6 through 10 and insert the following:  
"F.(1) A state agency contacted by the Office of the State Child Ombudsman, pursuant to the duties and responsibilities provided for in this Section, shall submit a written acknowledgment and, if appropriate, an anticipated plan of action and regular status updates to the state child ombudsman."

AMENDMENT NO. 33

On page 5, delete lines 12 and 13 and insert "**children shall provide monthly notice to the state child ombudsman of the death of a child in its custody or care.**"

AMENDMENT NO. 34

On page 5, line 15, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 35

On page 5, line 18, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 36

On page 5, at the beginning of line 19, insert "business"

AMENDMENT NO. 37

On page 5, line 21, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 38

On page 5, line 24, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 39

On page 5, delete line 28, and insert "**H. The state child ombudsman may apply for and accept grants, donations, and**"

AMENDMENT NO. 40

On page 6, line 2, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "**the State Child Ombudsman**"

AMENDMENT NO. 41

On page 6, line 5, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "**the State Child Ombudsman**"

AMENDMENT NO. 42

On page 6, line 7, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 43

On page 6, line 11, delete "advocate" and insert "ombudsman"

AMENDMENT NO. 44

On page 6, line 12, after "interest" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 13 through 17 and insert the following: "**and the disclosure does not violate existing state or federal confidentiality laws. The state child ombudsman may disclose the**"

AMENDMENT NO. 45

On page 6, at the end of line 21, delete "who" and delete line 22 and insert "**solely on the basis that the employee in good faith made a complaint to the state child ombudsman or cooperated with**"

AMENDMENT NO. 46

On page 6, line 23, delete "Child Advocacy" and insert "**the State Child Ombudsman**"

AMENDMENT NO. 47

On page 6, after line 23, insert the following:

**"K. The standing committee of each house of the legislature having responsibility for oversight shall perform a biennial review and evaluation of the Office of the State Child Ombudsman, the position of state child ombudsman, and the provisions of this Section."**

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

SENATE BILL NO. 145—

BY SENATOR HENSGENS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:2225.2.6, relative to design-build contracts; to provide for airports to use the design-build method; to provide for air traffic control tower and hangar development by design-build method; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 149—

BY SENATOR CARTER

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 6-B of Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 23:671 through 677, relative to minimum wage; to establish a state minimum wage; to provide for an annual increase of the minimum wage; to provide for civil remedies; to provide for damages; to provide for venue; to provide for the limitation of actions; to provide for notifications; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original Senate Bill No. 149 by Senator Carter

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 10, change "**three years from**" to "**one year of**"

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

SENATE BILL NO. 162—

BY SENATORS MCMATH, SMITH AND STINE AND REPRESENTATIVE SCHLEGEL

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 20 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:1751 through 1760, relative to social media; to provide for limitations and restrictions of certain accounts on a social media platform; to provide for age verification of account holders; to provide for parental consent; to provide for enforcement by the Department of Justice; to provide for a private right of action against a social media company; to provide for terms, conditions, definitions, and procedures; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 162 by Senator McMath

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 6, delete "to provide for a private right of action"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 7, delete "against a social media company;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 8, after "procedures," insert "to provide relative to implementation;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 10, delete lines 22 through 29 and on page 11, delete lines 1 through 5

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 11, line 6, change "**§1760**" to "**§1759**"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 11, line 7, delete "**A.**"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 11, after line 14, insert the following: "**§1760. Subject to appropriation**"

The implementation of this Chapter shall be subject to the appropriation of funds by the legislature for this purpose."

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 167—**  
BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 48:250.3(B), (C), (D), and (E), and to enact R.S. 38:2225.2.6 and R.S. 48:250.3.1, relative to design-build; to provide for design-build for airports and local municipalities; to provide for design-build contracts and qualifications of design-builders components; to provide for progressive design-build contracts by the Department of Transportation and Development; to provide for requirements of design-builders, notice of intent letters, and procurement process for progressive design-build; 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. 167 by Senator Abraham

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 1, at the end of line 3 delete "and" and on line 4, delete "local municipalities"

**AMENDMENT NO. 2**

On page 1, delete lines 11 through 17, delete pages 2 through 6, and on page 7, delete lines 1 through 20 and insert the following:

**"§2225.2.6 Design-build contracts; authorized use by airport authorities**

**A.(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, an airport authority may use the design-build project delivery method to contract for construction and design-build when deemed in the public interest, beneficial to the airport, and in accordance with the procedures set forth by law.**

**(2) Whenever the airport authority resolves to construct or repair any building or structure using the design-build method as authorized by Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, it shall adopt a list of projects under which design-build contracts will be utilized; and an ordinance adopting the selection process promulgated by the division of administration, office of facility planning and control, specifying the selection process for the awarding of a design-build contract in compliance with the provisions of this Section.**

**(3) For the purposes of this Section, "design builder" means the entity contractually responsible for delivering the project design and construction.**

**B. Every design builder shall be duly licensed and registered to do business in the state of Louisiana as either an architect, an engineer, or a general contractor. Each design builder shall have the following rights and powers:**

**(1) The design builder may sublet responsibility for professional design services to an individual, firm, or corporation duly licensed and registered in the state of Louisiana to provide professional design services.**

**(2) The design builder may sublet responsibility for construction or other services requiring a contractor's or trade subcontractor's license to persons or entities duly registered, licensed, or otherwise qualified to provide those services as required by law.**

**C. Prior to letting any contract, the airport authority shall adopt an ordinance adopting procedures promulgated by the division of administration, office of facility planning and control, establishing procedures for developing plans, specifications, qualifications, and other matters pertaining to procedures for advertising, reviewing and selecting design builders, and letting**

**the design-build contracts for public work as specified in Paragraph (A)(2) of this Section.**

**D. The procedures promulgated by the division of administration, office of facility planning and control, provided for in Subsection C of this Section shall include, at a minimum, the following provisions:**

**(1) Requirements that:**

**(a) All engineering and surveying firms providing design and design related services with the design builder to which the design-build contract is awarded shall be licensed to perform these services by the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board.**

**(b) All architectural firms providing design services with the design builder to which the design-build contract is awarded shall be licensed to perform the services by the Louisiana Board of Architectural Examiners or the Louisiana Horticulture Commission.**

**(c) All contractors performing construction work for the design-build program shall be licensed by the Louisiana State Licensing Board for Contractors.**

**(2) A two-stage selection process that will utilize a request for qualifications graded and judged by a primary evaluation committee and a request for technical proposals graded and judged by a separate technical review committee shall be used to select the design builder and shall include the following specific provisions:**

**(a)(i) Public announcement procedures for solicitation of interested design-build competitors and a procedure for requesting letters of interest and statements of qualifications from qualified firms or teams.**

**(ii) Public announcement procedures shall include a requirement for advertisement in the official journal of the parish the project is to take place.**

**(iii) All notices of intent to select design-build contractors shall be advertised a minimum of thirty days prior to the deadline for receipt of responses and shall contain a brief description of the project, the required scope of services, and sufficient information for design-build entities to determine their interest.**

**(b) These decisions shall be made on the basis of the criteria set forth in this Subsection. Members of the technical review committee shall not have served as members of the primary evaluation committee. Each member of the technical review committee shall score assigned elements. Scores shall be considered public record.**

**(3) The airport authority shall provide a request for a qualifications package to design builders who submit a letter of interest. All required information shall be identified in the request for qualifications package and in the standard response forms. The response to a request for qualifications package shall include statements of qualification by credentials and experience of design component members for the areas of expertise specific to the project and statements of qualification by experience and resources of the construction team component. The completed response form and any other required information shall be transmitted by the responding design builder by the deadline to submit forms and information as provided in the request for qualifications package. Any response failing to meet all of the requirements contained in the request for qualifications package shall not be considered. False or misrepresented information furnished in response to a request for qualifications package shall be grounds for rejection.**

**(4)(a) A primary design-build evaluation committee shall evaluate the responses to the request for qualifications package received by the airport authority. The following general criteria used by the primary evaluation committee in evaluating responses to the request for qualifications package for design-build services shall apply to both the design and construction components of any responding entity:**

**(i) Professional training and experience of both the design and construction entity components and of key personnel in general and as related to the project under consideration.**

**(ii) Capacity for timely completion of the work.**



(iii) Past performance on public projects or projects of a similar nature to the project described in the notice of intent.

(iv) The quantity and value of governing authority work awarded to both the design and construction entity components.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 38:2225(B), the primary design-build evaluation committee may consider additional project-specific needs, including but not limited to the design-builder's past projects in the same metropolitan statistical area as the proposed project and the domicile address of the responding design builder verified by the Louisiana Secretary of State online business filing database.

(c) The primary design-build evaluation committee shall consist of a minimum of three members designated by the head of the airport authority according to the rules established pursuant to this Subsection.

(d) The primary evaluation committee shall evaluate the qualifications of responding design builders on the basis of the criteria set forth in this Subsection and the rules established pursuant to this Subsection and shall select a short list of not fewer than three of the highest rated entities; however, if fewer than three responses are received, the head of the airport authority may approve proceeding with the design-build process. The primary evaluation committee may, at its discretion, be assisted by other airport authority personnel in its evaluation of a design builder's qualifications. The primary design-build evaluation committee shall present its short list to the head of the airport authority. The short-listed design builders shall be invited to submit a detailed technical proposal for the design-build project. The invitation to the short-listed entities shall specify a deadline for submission of proposals.

(5)(a) The specific requirements of the technical proposal shall be identified by the airport authority to the design builders making the short list by means of a "Scope of Services Package". Generally, the technical proposal shall include discussions of design strategy and preliminary design concepts, space standards, space planning, fundamental requirements, quality standards, capacities, other design related issues, materials, the schedule for commencement and completion of all phases of work, and a lump sum cost for all services in fulfillment of the requirements and within the constraints of the "scope of services package."

(b) For more complex projects and projects with scopes which permit flexibility and innovation in the design approach, the airport authority may compensate unsuccessful and responsive short-listed entities for the expense of preparing the technical proposal. The determination of whether or not compensation will be paid for the technical proposal and the amount shall be predetermined by the airport authority and shall be included in the scope of services package. The airport authority may use concepts submitted by any paid short-listed design builder in the construction of the project.

(6) A technical review committee for evaluation of design-build proposals shall be established according to the rules established in this Subsection. This committee shall be made up of building construction professionals as defined by the rules established in this Subsection. The technical review committee shall identify specific technical elements of the project, depending on the characteristics of the project, to be included in the technical score. The technical review committee may select additional engineering, architectural and technical experts, and nationally recognized design-build experts to serve as committee members to score each technical element of the project.

(a) An adjusted score approach shall be used by the airport authority in determining the winning proposal. An adjusted score shall be determined using the following components:

(i) The technical score determined by the technical review committee. Weighing factors may be assigned to each element depending on its relative magnitude or significance to the overall project. Each technical review committee member shall rate his assigned element of the proposal from each of the design builders on the short list and shall submit the scores to the chairman of the technical review committee. The schedule and price bid shall not be made known to the technical review committee during the scoring process. The chairman of the technical review committee shall adjust the scores for any applicable weighing factors and

shall determine the total technical score for each proposal. Prior to determining the adjusted score, the chairman of the technical review committee shall notify each design builder, in writing, of each design builder's final total technical score.

(ii) The time value, consisting of the product of the proposed contract time expressed in calendar days multiplied by the value-per-calendar-day expressed in dollars established by the authority and included in the scope of services package.

(iii) The price proposal.

(b) The winning proposal shall be the proposal with the lowest adjusted score. The adjusted score for each entity's design-build proposal shall be determined by the following formula:  $\text{Adjusted Score} = (\text{Price Bid} + \text{Time Value}) \text{ divided by Technical Score}$ . Use of the Time Value is not mandatory and if it is not used, the Adjusted Score shall be determined by the following formula:  $\text{Adjusted Score} = \text{Price Bid} \text{ divided by Technical Score}$ .

(7) Design builders who have submitted bona fide proposals may, within seven days of the announcement of the award, challenge the award based on any of the foregoing reasons, and only those reasons, by submitting a letter to the head of the airport authority describing in detail the reasons for the challenge. The head of the airport authority shall have the authority to resolve any challenge concerning the award of a contract. A written decision shall be rendered within fourteen days and shall be mailed or otherwise furnished immediately to the design builder making the challenge. The decision shall be final and conclusive unless the decision is fraudulent or if the person adversely affected by the decision has timely appealed to the court of proper venue for the airport authority.

E. Once the design builder has been chosen and a contract for a stipulated schedule and sum certain price is executed, the price of the design-build contract shall not be increased other than for inflation as prescribed in the contract and for site or other conditions of which the design builder had no knowledge and should not have had knowledge as a reasonable possibility existing at the site or concerning the design and construction.

F. The provisions of this Section shall supersede any conflicting provisions of any other law, including but not limited to the requirements of Chapter 10 of this Title."

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

#### SENATE BILL NO. 177—

BY SENATOR MCMATH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:100.13, relative to expanded academic supports provided for certain low-performing students; to provide relative to the students who qualify for expanded academic supports; to provide relative to accelerated instruction offered to the low-performing students; to provide relative to high-quality tutoring providers; to provide waivers; to provide relative to the responsibilities of the state Department of Education; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 177 by Senator McMath

#### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 6, after line 10, insert the following:

"K. The provisions of this Act shall only be in effect in the event that federal funding is appropriated for high-quality tutoring providers."

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

May 16, 2023

SENATE BILL NO. 207—

BY SENATORS MILLIGAN, ABRAHAM, BARROW, BOUDREAUX, HENRY, TARVER, WHITE AND WOMACK  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:416.16(A), (B), (C)(1), (D), (E), (F), (H), and (I), and R.S. 29:726.5 and to enact R.S. 17:416.16(G)(4) and (5) and R.S. 29:726.5.1, relative to school safety; to provide relative to school crisis management and response plans; to provide for additional safety drills; to require bleeding control kits in each school; to provide for training of designated employees on traumatic injury response; to provide relative to liability for rendering aid; to require rules relative to training and bleeding control kits; to provide relative to the duties and membership of the Louisiana Commission on School and Nonprofit Security; to provide for the Louisiana Center for Safe Schools; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 207 by Senator Milligan

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, between lines 26 and 27, insert the following:

**"(c) The provisions of this Paragraph shall be subject to the appropriation of funds by the legislature."**

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

SENATE BILL NO. 217—

BY SENATORS HENRY, FESI AND MCMATH  
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 3-G of Title 15 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 15:563 through 563.2, relative to offenses against minors; to create the Child Abuse and Neglect Registry; to provide relative to registration requirements; to provide for crimes of conviction; to provide for duties of the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information; to provide relative to a public database; to provide for exempt data; to provide relative to restrictions; to provide for duration of registration; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 217 by Senator Henry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, change "563.2" to "563.3"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 8, after "registration;" insert "to provide relative to implementation;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 11, change "563.2" to "563.3"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 15, after "following" insert "felony"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 17, after "following" insert "felony"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, delete lines 3 through 29, on page 3, delete lines 1 through 25, and insert the following:

- "(1) R.S. 14:34 (Aggravated battery)**
- "(2) R.S. 14:34.1 (Second degree battery)**
- "(3) R.S. 14:34.7 (Aggravated second degree battery)**

- "(4) R.S. 14:35.3 (Domestic abuse battery)**
- "(5) R.S. 14:37.1 (Assault by drive-by shooting)**
- "(6) R.S. 14:37.4 (Aggravated assault with a firearm)**
- "(7) R.S. 14:37.7 (Domestic abuse aggravated assault)**
- "(8) R.S. 14:43.5 (Intentional exposure to HIV)**
- "(9) R.S. 14:46.4 (Re-homing of a child)**
- "(10) R.S. 14:79.1 (Criminal Abandonment)**
- "(11) R.S. 14:93.2.3 (Second degree cruelty to juveniles)"**

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, between lines 25 and 26, insert the following:

**"B.(1) Upon conviction, the court shall provide written notification to any person convicted of an offense listed in Subsection A of this Section when the victim is a minor that he shall be required to register on the Child Abuse and Neglect Registry upon release, or as a condition of his probation or parole."**

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, at the beginning of line 26, change "B.(1)" to "(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 4, delete lines 4 through 17

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 5, delete lines 14 and 15

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 5, at the beginning of line 16, change "(i)" to "(h)"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 5, at the beginning of line 19, change "(j)" to "(i)"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 5, line 21, after "license" change "and" to "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 5, at the beginning of line 23, change "(k)" to "(j)"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 5, at the beginning of line 24, change "(l)" to "(k)"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 5, delete lines 27 through 29, on page 6, delete lines 1 through 29, on page 7, delete lines 1 through 8, and insert the following:

**"(l) Every email address."**

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 7, at the beginning of line 9, change "(3)" to "(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 7, at the end of line 11, delete "be", delete line 12, and insert the following: **" , upon conviction, be fined not more than one thousand dollars and be imprisoned for not more than one year."**

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 7, between lines 26 and 27, insert the following:

**"(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, the court may waive registration and notification requirements for an offender convicted of second degree battery as provided in R.S. 14:34.1."**

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 8, delete lines 15 and 16

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 8, at the beginning of line 17, change "(iv)" to "(iii)"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 8, delete line 19 through 22 and insert the following:

**"(iv) Email addresses."**

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 10, delete lines 4 through 18

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 10, at the beginning of line 19, change "D." to "C."

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 10, at the beginning of line 23, change "E." to "D."

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 10, at the beginning of line 25, change "F.(1)" to "E.(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 11, line 24, after "contained in the" delete "State"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 12, after line 8, insert the following:

**"§563.3. Subject to appropriation**

**A. The implementation of this Chapter shall be subject to the appropriation of funds by the legislature for this purpose.**

Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2024."

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 223—**

BY SENATOR MORRIS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:429(A)(3), relative to fees charged at the office of motor vehicles field offices; to authorize the governing authority of the City of West Monroe to levy a fee for each service or transaction carried out as an operation of the office of motor vehicles field office in the City of West Monroe; and to provide for related matters.

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

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**HOUSE BILL NO. 6—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUGHES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:1833(E), 1853(E), and 3123(E), relative to meetings of certain public postsecondary education boards; to provide relative to the first meeting each year of the Board of Regents and the University of Louisiana and Southern University boards of supervisors; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 11—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES GADBERRY, FREIBERG, GLOVER, LARVADAIN, MOORE, CHARLES OWEN, AND SCHAMERHORN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 48:251(B), relative to contract limitations for certain Department of Transportation and Development projects; to increase the contract limit from five hundred thousand dollars to one million dollars for certain construction, maintenance, or improvement projects; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 20—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2080.1(A), relative to costs in the City Court of Lake Charles; to provide for disposition of certain court costs; to authorize the use of additional court costs in civil and criminal matters for operational costs; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 28—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARRIER AND ROMERO

AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 383 in Jefferson Davis Parish as the "Sergeant Major William Arlen Marcantel Memorial Highway"; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 674 in Iberia Parish as the "Veterans Memorial Highway"; to redesignate a portion of Interstate 49 in St. Landry Parish as the "Hannah Lee Vincent Memorial Highway"; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 48—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:447.17, relative to mayor's courts; to authorize an increase in court costs for violations of municipal ordinances in the town of Albany; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 49—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHARLES OWEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:961(F)(1)(o), relative to transcription fees for the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District; to authorize a change in transcription fees in all cases; to provide for the cost per page for an original transcript and copies in appellate cases; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 67—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FISHER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3351(A)(5)(c), to authorize the University of Louisiana System board of supervisors to establish tuition amounts and other fees and charges applicable to the Doctor of Physical Therapy program at the University of Louisiana at Monroe; to provide limitations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education. The bill was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 69—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES MARINO, BISHOP, BRASS, COX, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, HARRIS, JEFFERSON, LYONS, MCKNIGHT, NELSON, PHELPS, PRESSLY, ST. BLANC, AND VILLIO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:7.2(A)(8)(a)(iii), 392.1(D), and 2112(Section heading), to enact Part VI-B of Chapter 1 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 17:392.11 through 392.13, and 3996(B)(75), and to repeal R.S. 17:7(11), 392.1(B)(2)(a) and (3) and (F), 392.2, and 2112(A)(2) and (B), relative to the screening and diagnosis of students; to provide for screening and diagnosis with respect to dyslexia; to require the State Board of Elementary and

Secondary Education to adopt related rules; 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 Engrossed House Bill No. 69 by Representative Marino

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 25, after "screening," and before "and reporting" change "diagnosis," to "identification."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, line 5, after "B.(1)" and before "dyslexia" delete "A" and insert "The state Department of Education shall select a dyslexia screener with an area under the curve of 0.80 or above and provide the screener, at no cost, to each public school. The"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 15, after "and" and before "assessment" change "psychometric" to "academic"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 19, after "for the" and before "of dyslexia" change "diagnosis" to "identification"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 23, after "and" and before "intellectual" insert: "a brief standardized screening tool of"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 5, line 28, after "screening," and before "and reporting," change "diagnosis," to "identification."

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 72—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS AND SENATOR FOIL  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3138.5(D)(3) and (4)(introductory paragraph) and (E) and to enact R.S. 17:3138.5(F), relative to postsecondary education; to authorize the Board of Regents to establish additional tiers of recognition for institutions designated as military and veteran friendly campuses; to increase the duration of the designation; to provide relative to renewal and reporting; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 73—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DUBUISSON AND GAROFALO  
AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 433 in St. Tammany Parish as the "Captain Walter B. Abney Memorial Highway"; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 80—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2295(C)(1), relative to plans and specifications for public works; to change the length of time a prime design professional has to approve or deny a product submission; to remove the automatic approval of a product if the prime design professional fails to respond within the allotted time period; to authorize the prime design professional to extend

the time period for approval or denial; 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 Engrossed House Bill No. 80 by Representative Gadberry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 12, after "may" delete ",but is not required to,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 17, after "submitted," delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 18 and 19 and insert the following: "If the prime design professional fails to respond within the time period provided for in this Paragraph, the submitted product shall be considered approved. bid shall be extended at least seven but not more than twenty-one, working days."

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 111—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUGHES  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:854(B), relative to tobacco tax; to provide relative to the products to which such tax applies; to provide relative to the exemption from such tax for certain samples of cigars and pipe tobacco products; to revise provisions terminating the exemption; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to Engrossed House Bill No. 111 by Representative Hughes

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 14, change "2035" to "2030"

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 124—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 41:729, relative to sixteenth section lands; to provide for the sale or exchange of certain state property in Cameron Parish; to provide for the authority of the Cameron Parish School Board; to provide for appraisal; to provide for notice and public hearings; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 150—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRYANT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2590(A)(1), (2), (3), (23), and (30), relative to justice of the peace court costs; to provide for an increase in court costs collected by a justice of the peace for the filing and service of certain pleadings and judgments in civil matters; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Finance. The bill was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 161—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:305.20(A), to enact R.S. 47:337.9(D)(15.1), and to repeal R.S. 47:305.20(G) and 337.10(N), relative to exemptions from sales and use taxes imposed by political subdivisions of the state; to provide relative to the local sales and use tax exemption for purchases by Louisiana commercial fishermen and certain seafood processing facilities; to enact the exemption as a mandatory exemption; to repeal provisions establishing the exemption as an optional exemption; to provide for terms designated as "key words" that are associated with certain local sales and use tax exemptions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 191—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE JEFFERSON  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:7.1(A)(4) and 3886(B), relative to teacher certification; to provide for teacher preparation requirements; to provide for the crediting of teaching experience; to provide for certification requirements for certain applicants with respect to performance evaluations; to require the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to adopt rules; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 202—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:1910.2, relative to fees imposed by the City Court of Hammond; to authorize a fee to be collected by the City Court of Hammond; to provide for the exclusive dedication of all monies collected; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 233—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 311 of the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to certain costs and fees for the City Court of Ruston; to provide relative to the implementation of certain costs and fees for the marshal of the City Court of Ruston; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 250—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BISHOP  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1907(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 47:1907(L) and (M), relative to assessor compensation; to authorize assessors to increase their annual compensation up to a certain amount over a certain period of time; to provide for certain requirements and limitations; to require the publication of certain notice; 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 Reengrossed House Bill No. 250 by Representative Bishop

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 5, delete "to require the publication of certain notice;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 10, after "exceed" change "two" to "five"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 11, after "M." delete "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 13, after "exceed" change "two" to "five"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, delete lines 16 through 23

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 279—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES ADAMS AND BRYANT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1837.1(F) and (G), relative to the Louisiana Tax Commission; to provide relative to ad valorem tax assessment information collected and maintained by the commission; to limit a prohibition on conveying of certain information by the commission for use in a business; to authorize the commission to convey information for such use; to require the commission to convey to any taxpayer certain historical information upon request; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to Engrossed House Bill No. 279 by Representative Adams

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" delete the remainder of the line and insert "R.S. 47:1837.1(A)(2), (F), and (G) and to enact R.S. 47:1837.1(A)(3), relative to Louisiana Tax"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 10, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and insert "R.S. 47:1837.1(A)(2), (F), and (G) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 47:1837.1(A)(3) is hereby enacted to read as"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

"A.(1) \* \* \*  
(2) The database shall be comprised of information from assessment rolls of parishes participating in the program as provided for in this Section, utilizing the assessment rolls submitted to the tax commission under R.S. 47:1993(A). Such parishes participating in the program-Assessors shall submit their tax assessment rolls to the Louisiana Tax Commission in electronic form or in a format designated by the Louisiana Tax Commission for viewing and inspection. The database with the tax assessment information from such parishes shall be published on the Internet for public inspection by December first. The ad valorem tax assessment database shall not include any tax assessment information which is deemed confidential or designated as confidential by an assessor under any other provision of law.

(3) The Louisiana Tax Commission shall promulgate rules for the submission of assessment rolls and for the designation of confidential information in an assessment roll submitted to the Louisiana Tax Commission by an assessor pursuant to this Section."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete lines 14 through 17 in their entirety and insert the following:

"F.(1)(a) ~~The~~ For purposes of any assessment information submitted to the Louisiana Tax Commission prior to January 1, 2024, the Louisiana Tax Commission shall not sell, lease, rent, or otherwise convey or transfer to any individual or other entity for use in a business any ~~current year~~ current-year information received by it pursuant to the provisions of this Section.

(b) For purposes of any assessment information submitted to the Louisiana Tax Commission on or after January 1, 2024, the Louisiana Tax Commission may convey or transfer to any individual or other entity for use in a business any current-year information received by it pursuant to the provisions of this Section."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

"(3) The Louisiana Tax Commission shall not sell, lease, rent, or otherwise convey or transfer to any individual or other entity any information which is deemed confidential or which has been designated as confidential by an assessor under any provision of law."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, delete lines 3 through 7 in their entirety and insert the following:

"G.(1) For purposes of any assessment information submitted to the Louisiana Tax Commission prior to January 1, 2024 and upon ~~upon~~ request, the Louisiana Tax Commission may convey or transfer to any taxpayer, in electronic form, historical information held by the commission pursuant to the provisions of this Section and viewable from the commission's ~~website~~ website, which information is at least one year old at the time of the request.

(2) For purposes of any assessment information submitted to the Louisiana Tax Commission on or after January 1, 2024 and upon request, the Louisiana Tax Commission shall convey or transfer to any taxpayer, in electronic form, historical information held by the commission pursuant to the provisions of this Section and viewable from the commission's website."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, after line 7, insert the following:

"Section 2. This Act shall be effective on January 1, 2024."

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 285—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9033(B)(3), relative to tax increment financing mechanisms authorized for local governmental subdivisions; to provide relative to the use of state sales tax increments for such tax increment financing; to provide relative to sales tax increment financing of local economic development projects; to provide relative to the prohibition on the use of state sales tax increments for financing of such projects; to revise provisions establishing an exception to the prohibition; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 316—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:2121.1, relative to voter registration; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 332—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBBY CARTER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Sections 1 and 3 of Act No. 190 of the 2022 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the transfer of certain state property in Tangipahoa Parish; to authorize the transfer of certain state property in Tangipahoa Parish; to provide for the property description; to provide for terms and conditions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 338—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREIBERG  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:407.101(C)(1)(d), (E)(8)(introductory paragraph) and (b)(introductory paragraph), (F), and (G) and to enact R.S. 17:407.101(E)(8)(b)(ix), relative to the Early Childhood Care and Education Commission; to provide relative to the officers and duties of a task force of the commission; to require the commission report to the legislature; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 347—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HARRIS  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:1875(12)(c) and 1899(B), relative to the City Court of Alexandria; to provide relative to the use of civil filing fees and court costs in criminal matters; to provide relative to the general fund of the city of Alexandria; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 350—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMANN  
AN ACT

To authorize and provide for the transfer of certain state property; to authorize the exchange of certain property in Calcasieu Parish; to authorize the transfer of certain state property in St. Tammany Parish; to provide property descriptions; to provide for the reservation of mineral rights; to provide terms and conditions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Natural Resources.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Natural Resources to Engrossed House Bill No. 350 by Representative Geymann

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, between lines 9 and 10, insert:

"Section 6. The secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health and the commissioner of administration, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, are hereby authorized and empowered to convey, transfer, assign, lease, or deliver any interest, excluding mineral rights, the state may have to all or any portion of the following described parcel of property to the St. Tammany Parish School Board:

All the certain lot or parcel of land situated in the Town of Mandeville in the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, described as part of Lot No. One (1), Square Fifty-nine (59) of said Town of Mandeville, measuring sixty two and one-half (62 1/2) feet fronting on Livingston Street by a depth of one hundred and twenty (120) feet, being a portion of the same lands acquired by William B. Lancaster from Mrs. Maggie Prieto, wife of lawful age of John Cuni,

as per deed recorded in Conveyance Book 55, Page 299 of the official records of the Parish of St. Tammany; and the same parcel of land as was identified in the Amended Proces Verbal of Tax Sale dated February 7, 2023, and filed as Instrument No. 2361929 in the official records of the St. Tammany Parish Clerk of Court.

Section 7. The secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health and the commissioner of administration are hereby authorized to enter into such agreements, covenants, conditions, and stipulations and to execute such documents as necessary to properly effectuate any conveyance, transfer, assignment, lease, or delivery of title, excluding mineral rights, to the property described in Section 6 of this Act, and as more specifically described in any such agreements entered into and documents executed by and between the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health and the commissioner of administration and to the St. Tammany Parish School Board, in exchange of consideration proportionate to the appraised value of the property."

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, at the beginning of line 10, change "Section 6." to "Section 8."

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

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 406—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MINCEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the heading of Part IV of Chapter 3 of Title 32 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and to enact R.S. 32:481, relative to interstate flooding mitigation; to require the Department of Transportation and Development to develop flooding mitigation solutions along the Interstate 12 corridor; to require the solutions include practical and cost effective engineering solutions, projected costs associated with recommended solutions, and projected construction dates; to require submission of a report detailing solutions; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 428—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PRESSLY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:203(C), 300.6(B)(2)(e), and 300.7(C)(2)(d), relative to state income tax; to provide relative to computation of income of estates, trusts, and partnerships subject to state income tax; to provide relative to income derived from flow-through entities; to provide for an exclusion of such income from the taxable income of estates, trusts, and partnerships subject to certain conditions; to provide for requirements and limitations associated with the exclusion; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

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

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 500—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:1716, relative to ad valorem property tax exemptions; to provide for the applicability of ad valorem tax exemptions for certain veterans with disabilities; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 527—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN

AN ACT

To designate the Louisiana Highway 1247 Bridge over Bayou Lafourche in Labadieville, Louisiana, as the "Commander Glenn Daigle Memorial Bridge"; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 561—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3215(8), relative to the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center; to provide for the responsibilities of the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center; and to provide for related matters.

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

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 562—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHEXNAYDER, ADAMS, BAGLEY, BOYD, BRASS, BRYANT, CARPENTER, WILFORD CARTER, CORMIER, DAVIS, DUBUISSON, FISHER, FREEMAN, GAINES, GAROFALO, GLOVER, GREEN, HUGHES, JEFFERSON, JENKINS, TRAVIS JOHNSON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, LANDRY, MARCELLE, MARINO, NEWELL, ROBERT OWEN, PHELPS, PIERRE, SCHLEGEL, STAGNI, VILLIO, AND WILLARD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6007(B)(11), (C)(1)(a)(iv) and (4)(f)(i)(bb) and (iii) and (h)(iii)(bb), (D)(2)(c)(i) and (d)(i), (I), and (J)(1) and to enact R.S. 47:6007(C)(4)(f)(i)(dd) and (8) and (K), relative to the motion picture production tax credit; to provide relative to Louisiana promotional graphics requirements for productions; to provide relative to uses of the Louisiana Entertainment Development Dedicated Fund Account; to provide relative to expenditure data collection; to provide relative to transfers of the tax credit; to provide for eligibility for the tax credit; to provide with respect to the Department of Economic Development program issuance cap; to remove certain limitations with respect to the issuance cap; to extend the sunset date of the tax credit; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to Reengrossed House Bill No. 562 by Representative Schexnayder

#### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "(C)(1)(a)(iv) and" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line 3, delete "(h)(iii)(bb)," and insert "(4)(h)(iii)(bb),"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 4, delete "47:6007(C)(4)(f)(i)(dd) and (8) and (K)," and insert "47:6007(C)(8) and (K),"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 7, after "collection;" delete "to"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the beginning of line 8, delete "provide relative to transfers of the tax credit;"

#### AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 13, after "(C)(1)(a)(iv) and" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line 14, delete "(h)(iii)(bb)," and insert "(4)(h)(iii)(bb),"

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AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, at the beginning of line 15, delete "47:6007(C)(4)(f)(i)(dd) and (8) and (K)" and insert "47:6007(C)(8) and (K)"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, at the end of line 15, insert the following: "Commercials, music videos, or other state-certified productions that are prohibited by federal law or contractual requirements from utilizing the promotional graphic may use an alternative marketing option as approved by the office."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, delete lines 22 through 30 in their entirety, delete pages 4 and 5 in their entirety, and on page 6, delete lines 1 through 18 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 7, line 1, after "(8)(a)" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 2 through 7 in their entirety and insert the following: "No credit may be earned by, certified, issued to, transferred by or used to reduce a Louisiana tax liability by a motion picture production company, irrevocable designee, taxpayer, or claimant if there exists a delinquent federal, state, or local tax obligation, including the filing of returns and remittance of taxes subject to collection. Compliance with this requirement shall be certified by the motion picture production company, irrevocable designee, taxpayer, or claimant before any credit may be certified, transferred, or sold."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 7, line 14, after "local tax" delete "liens" and insert "obligations"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 8, line 14, after "July 1, 2025" change "2035" to "2030"

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 644— (Substitute for House Bill No. 381 by Representative LaFleur)

BY REPRESENTATIVES LAFLEUR, BRASS, GEYMAN, JEFFERSON, AND PHELPS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:3129.8 and to repeal R.S. 17:3129.8, relative to open educational resources for public postsecondary education students; to provide for pilot programs; to require the Board of Regents and the management boards to collaborate relative to the programs; to require the Board of Regents to report to the legislature; to provide for effectiveness; to provide for related matters.

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

Reconsideration

The vote by which Senate Bill No. 71 failed to pass on Monday, May 15, 2023, was reconsidered.

SENATE BILL NO. 71—

BY SENATOR BOUIE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:4036.1(A), (D)(3), and (F) and to enact R.S. 17:4036.1(E)(5), relative to learning pods; to provide relative to the services and activities provided by learning pods; to prohibit learning pods from charging tuition or certain fees; to provide relative to transportation and food services; to require learning pods to develop and post a student fee policy; and to provide for related matters.

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

Reconsideration

The vote by which Senate Bill No. 168 failed to pass on Monday, May 15, 2023, was reconsidered.

SENATE BILL NO. 168—

BY SENATOR FIELDS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:312(1)(b) and 312.1(A), relative to the Court of Appeal for the First Circuit; to provide for the organization of districts within the First Circuit; to provide election sections for the second district of the First Circuit; to provide for the assignment of judgeships for election purposes; to provide for the election of judges; and to provide for related matters.

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

Special Order of the Day No. 1

SENATE BILL NO. 1—

BY SENATOR ALLAIN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:601(D)(2) and 1675(J) and to enact R.S. 47:601(E) and 1675(K), relative to the corporation franchise tax; to phase-out the corporation franchise tax; to provide for the utilization of credits against repealed taxes; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Allain proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Allain to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 1 by Senator Allain

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "corporation franchise tax;" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line 4 delete "franchise tax;" and insert "to provide for the reduction of franchise tax under certain circumstances;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete line 17 and on page 2, delete 1 through 11 in their entirety and insert the following:

"E. (1) For franchise tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 2025, and before January 1, 2031, the tax levied pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter shall be reduced by twenty-five percent for each year that monies are deposited into the Revenue Stabilization Trust Fund in accordance with Article VII, Section 10.15(D) of the Constitution of Louisiana and R.S. 39:100.112(D).

(2) The reduction shall be effective for taxable periods beginning on or after January first of the year following the monies being deposited into the Revenue Stabilization Trust Fund in accordance with Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.

(3) If the tax levied pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter is reduced by one hundred percent, no franchise tax shall be assessed, levied, or collected by the state nor paid by domestic or foreign corporations on taxable capital."

On motion of Senator Allain, the amendments were adopted.

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



**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Peacock
Allain	Harris	Pope
Barrow	Henry	Price
Bernard	Hensgens	Reese
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Smith
Bouie	Jackson	Stine
Carter	Kleinpeter	Talbot
Cathey	Lambert	Tarver
Cloud	McMath	White
Connick	Milligan	Womack
Duplessis	Mills, F.	
Fesi	Mills, R.	
Total - 37		

NAYS

Morris  
Total - 1

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

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

**Special Order of the Day No. 2**

**SENATE BILL NO. 6—**  
BY SENATOR ALLAIN

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 51:2456(B)(2), relative to the Quality Jobs Program; to provide relative to sales and use tax and qualified capital expenditure rebates; to provide for the reduction of the rebates under certain conditions; and to provide for related matters.

**Floor Amendments**

Senator Allain proposed the following amendments.

**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senator Allain to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 6 by Senator Allain

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 16, after "**reduced by**" delete the remainder of the line and insert "**one-half of the percentage by**"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 3, after "**reduced by**" delete the remainder of the line and insert "**one-half of the**"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 6, after "**is repealed,**" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 7, and insert "**the rebates shall be reduced by fifty percent.**"

On motion of Senator Allain, the amendments were adopted.

**Ruling From the Chair**

Senator Milligan asked if Senate Bill No. 6 requires a two-thirds vote on Final Passage.

The Chair ruled it requires a simple majority vote.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock
Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	
Total - 38		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

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

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—**  
BY SENATOR ALLAIN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create and provide for the Bayou Chene Operational Advisory Committee.

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 Concurrent Resolution No. 22 by Senator Allain

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 13, delete "task force" and insert "committee"

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

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock

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Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	

Total - 38

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 37—**  
BY SENATOR MCMATH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Board of Regents to collaborate to publish an annual report on their respective websites that details public school students' preparation for public postsecondary education.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock
Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	

Total - 38

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

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

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 233— (Substitute of Senate Bill No. 181 by  
Senator Cloud)**

BY SENATOR CLOUD

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 37 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:2201 through 2202, and 2312(A)(11), relative to health care workforce initiatives; to create the Expanding Louisiana's Health Care Workforce Fund; to provide for the Expanding Louisiana's Health Care Workforce Program; to provide for grants to expand health care workforce training; to provide for the creation of a commission; and to provide for related matters.

**Floor Amendments**

Senator Cloud proposed the following amendments.

**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senator Cloud to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 233 by Senator Cloud

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 9, change "**representing**" to "**who reside in**"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, at the end of line 10 after "**districts**" and before the period ".", insert "**of the United States House of Representatives**"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 12, change "**representing**" to "**who reside in**"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, at the end of line 12 after "**districts**" and before the period ".", insert "**of the United States House of Representatives**"

On motion of Senator Cloud, the amendments were adopted.

**Floor Amendments**

Senator Boudreaux proposed the following amendments.

**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senator Boudreaux to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 233 by Senator Cloud

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, delete lines 11 and 12 and insert "**hereby established within the Louisiana Workforce Commission. The**"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, delete lines 21 through 23 and insert "**(2) "Department" means the Louisiana Workforce Commission.**"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, at the beginning of line 24, change **(4)** to **(3)**

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, at the beginning of line 26, change **(5)** to **(4)**

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, at the beginning of line 28, change **(6)** to **(5)**

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, delete lines 1 and 2 and insert "**(6) "Secretary" means the secretary of the Louisiana Workforce Commission**"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 5, line 24 delete "Department of Economic Development" and insert "Louisiana Workforce Commission"

Senator Boudreaux moved the adoption of the amendments.

Senator Cloud objected.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Barrow	Connick	Price
Bernard	Duplessis	Smith
Boudreaux	Fields	Tarver
Bouie	Harris	
Carter	Mills, F.	
Total - 13		

NAYS

Mr. President	Hewitt	Peacock
Abraham	Jackson	Pope
Allain	Kleinpeter	Reese
Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	McMath	Talbot
Fesi	Milligan	White
Foil	Mills, R.	Womack
Henry	Mizell	
Hensgens	Morris	
Total - 25		

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

The Chair declared the amendments were rejected.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock
Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	
Total - 38		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 163—**

BY SENATOR HEWITT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:24.13 and 3996(B)(75), relative to numeracy skills professional development; to require numeracy skills training for certain teachers; to provide reporting on the training; and to provide for related matters.

**Floor Amendments**

Senator Fred Mills sent up floor amendments.

**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senator Fred Mills on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 163 by Senator Hewitt

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 8, following "documentation" and before "successfully" change "that the teacher" to "of a"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 8, following "completed" and before "approved" delete "an"

On motion of Senator Fred Mills, the amendments were adopted.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock
Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	
Total - 38		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed, ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Senator Hewitt 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**

**Called from the Calendar**

Senator Cloud asked that Senate Bill No. 164 be called from the Calendar.

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SENATE BILL NO. 164—  
BY SENATOR CLOUD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:812(A), relative to the Office of Group Benefits; to provide for requirements for health plans; to provide for prior authorizations; to provide for an annual report; to provide terms, conditions, and procedures; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Cloud proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Cloud to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 164 by Senator Cloud

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "for" and before "health plans" insert "self-funded"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 8, after "authorizations" insert "for self-funded health plans"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete line 9 and insert the following:  
"A. Beginning January 1, ~~2023~~ 2024, the following applies to self-funded health plans offered by the office:"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 14, after "every" and before "health" insert "self-funded"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 1, after "the" and before "health" insert "self-funded"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 4, after "A" and before "health" insert "self-funded"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, line 7, after "A" and before "health" insert "self-funded"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 12, after "a" and before "health" insert "self-funded"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 13, after "the" and before "health" insert "self-funded"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 15, after "the" and before "health" insert "self-funded"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 2, line 18, after "the" and before "health" insert "self-funded"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 2, line 20, after "each" and before "health" insert "self-funded"

On motion of Senator Cloud, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Morris
Abraham	Foil	Peacock
Allain	Harris	Pope
Barrow	Henry	Price
Bernard	Hensgens	Reese
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Smith
Bouie	Jackson	Stine
Carter	Kleinpeter	Talbot
Cathey	Lambert	Tarver
Cloud	McMath	White
Connick	Milligan	Womack
Duplessis	Mills, R.	
Fesi	Mizell	
Total - 37		

NAYS

Mills, F.  
Total - 1

ABSENT

Luneau  
Total - 1

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

Called from the Calendar

Senator Barrow asked that Senate Bill No. 215 be called from the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 215—  
BY SENATOR BARROW

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:46.2(F)(1) and to enact R.S. 14:18.1 and 46.2(F)(4), Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 890.1(F), 926.4, 930.3(9), and 930.8(A)(7), and Code of Evidence Art. 707, relative to criminal culpability; to provide a justification defense for victims of intimate partner violence, domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault; to provide for reports to the legislature; to provide relative to sentencing; to provide relative to motions for new trial; to provide relative to expert testimony; to provide relative to sentencing; to provide relative to postconviction relief; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Barrow proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Barrow to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 215 by Senator Barrow

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 16, delete "this" and insert "a"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 4, after "domestic abuse," insert "human trafficking,"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2 line 14, delete "her" and insert "the defendant"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, delete lines 3 and 4, and insert the following:  
"(2) The Judicial Council of Louisiana shall compile the information provided in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection into a single report and submit that report to the Senate Committee on Judiciary C annually"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 7, line 3, change "only apply" to "apply only"

On motion of Senator Barrow, the amendments were adopted.

**Floor Amendments**

Senator Barrow proposed the following amendments.

**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senator Barrow to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 215 by Senator Barrow

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 15 through 17 and on page 2, delete lines 1 through 15 and insert the following:

"A. Victims of intimate partner violence, domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault may assert a justification defense to their prosecution under either of the following circumstances, when the defendant shows, by clear and convincing evidence, that intimate partner violence, domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault occurred within sixty days of the date of the offense:

(1) The alleged victim of the offense perpetrated intimate partner violence, domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault against the defendant, and the defendant's conduct is the direct result of that intimate partner violence, domestic abuse, human trafficking or sexual assault. The conduct is a direct result of intimate partner violence, domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault if there is a rational, causal connection between the defendant's victimization and the instant conduct, and the instant conduct is not the result, in significant part, of other events, circumstances, and considerations apart from intimate partner violence, domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault.

(2) The defendant's conduct was compelled through fraud, force, or coercion by the person who perpetrated intimate partner violence, domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault against the defendant. Fraud, force, or coercion shall be defined in the same way as R.S. 14:46.2(C)(3)."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 16, delete "(2)" and insert "B."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 21, delete "B." and insert "C."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 27 delete "C." and insert "D."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 11 delete "D." and insert "E."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, line 13 delete "E." and insert "F."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, line 17 delete "F." and insert "G."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, line 24 delete "G.(1)" and insert "H.(1)"

On motion of Senator Barrow, the amendments were adopted.

**Floor Amendments**

Senator Foil proposed the following amendments.

**SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senator Foil to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 215 by Senator Barrow

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Delete the set of amendments proposed by the Legislative Bureau and adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2023.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

Delete the set of amendments proposed by Senator Barrow (Set SFBSB215 KAUFFELDW 1018) and adopted by the Senate on May 16, 2023.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

Delete the set of amendments proposed by Senator Barrow (Set SFASB215 KAUFFELDW 936) and adopted by the Senate on May 16, 2023.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete lines 2 through 9 and insert the following:

"To amend and reenact Code of Evidence Article 412.4(A) and (B) and to enact R.S. 14:18.1 and Code of Criminal Procedure Article 894.1(G), relative to criminal culpability; to provide a duress defense for victims of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or trafficking; to provide for sentencing mitigation for victims of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or human trafficking; and to provide for related matters."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, delete lines 11 through 17 and insert the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 14:18.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

**§18.1. Victims of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or trafficking; duress defense**

**A. An offender's conduct shall be deemed justifiable, although otherwise criminal, if he or she proves all of the following at trial by a preponderance of the evidence:**

**(1) The offender is not charged with a crime of violence as defined in R.S. 14:2(B), a sex offense as defined in R.S. 15:541, or cruelty to juveniles as defined in R.S. 14:93.**

**(2) The offender is a victim of domestic abuse as defined by R.S. 46:2132 involving serious bodily injury, sexual assault as defined by R.S. 46:2184, or trafficking as defined by R.S. 14:46.2 or 46.3.**

**(3) The offender reasonably believed that the perpetrator of the domestic abuse, sexual assault, or trafficking would inflict death, great bodily harm, or sexual assault upon the offender or upon another if the offender did not commit the offense.**

**(4) The offender reasonably believed that committing the offense was necessary to prevent the death, great bodily harm, or sexual assault.**

**B. An offender who is a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or trafficking shall have no duty to escape or to attempt to escape a relationship or shared residence with the perpetrator of the domestic abuse, sexual assault, or trafficking prior to or during the conduct at issue in order to assert the defense provided for in this Section. However, a finder of fact shall consider whether the offender reasonably could have escaped in addition to whether the offender reasonably could have taken any other actions instead of committing the offense in determining whether the offender has proven the applicability of the defense provided for in this Section.**

**C. Subject to the provisions of Chapter 7 of the Code of Evidence and any other applicable provisions of law, expert testimony on the effects, dynamics, and circumstances of entrapment and coercive control relative to domestic abuse, sexual assault, or trafficking may be admissible to support or rebut the defense provided for in this Section.**

**D. Nothing in this Section shall be construed as limiting the applicability of any other affirmative defense provided for by law.**

**E. An offender who intends to raise the defense provided for in this Section shall, no later than forty-five days prior to trial, notify the district attorney in writing of such intention and file a**

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copy of such notice with the clerk. The court may, for cause shown, allow late filing of the notice or grant additional time to the parties to prepare for trial or make such other orders as may be appropriate. Upon the failure of the offender to provide the notice required by this Subsection, the court shall prohibit the offender from raising the defense provided for in this Section, but such prohibition shall not limit the right of the offender to testify in his own behalf.

Section 2. Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 894.1(G) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Art. 894.1. Sentencing guidelines; generally

G. If the court finds clear and convincing evidence both that the offender is a victim of domestic abuse as defined by R.S. 46:2132, sexual assault as defined by R.S. 46:2184, or trafficking as defined by R.S. 14:46.2 or 46.3, and also that there was a rational, causal, and temporally proximate connection involving a continuous sequence of events between the offense and the offender's victimization, the court shall order a presentence investigation, shall consider the effects of the domestic abuse, sexual assault, or trafficking upon the offender in sentencing the offender, and shall provide written reasons for any sentence imposed. Clear and convincing evidence under this Paragraph may be considered in conjunction with all of the evidence elicited in determining whether to grant a downward departure from a mandatory minimum sentence under State v. Dorthey, 623 So.2d 1276 (La. 1993), and its progeny. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to overrule, expand, or extend, whether directly or by analogy, the decision reached by the Louisiana Supreme Court in State v. Dorthey, 623 So.2d 1276 (La. 1993), nor its progeny as further interpreted by the Louisiana Supreme Court.

Section 3: Code of Evidence Article 412.4(A) and (B) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Art. 412.4. Evidence of similar crimes, wrongs, or acts in domestic abuse cases and cruelty against juveniles cases; rebuttal of certain defenses

A.(1) When an accused is charged with a crime involving abusive behavior against a family member, household member, or dating partner or with acts which constitute cruelty involving a victim who was under the age of seventeen at the time of the offense, evidence of the accused's commission of another crime, wrong, or act involving assaultive behavior against a family member, household member, or dating partner or acts which constitute cruelty involving a victim who was under the age of seventeen at the time of the offense, may be admissible and may be considered for its bearing on any matter to which it is relevant, subject to the balancing test provided in Article 403.

(2) When an accused has raised the affirmative defense provided for in R.S. 14:18.1, evidence of the accused's commission of any crime, wrong, or act involving assaultive behavior against any of the following persons may be admissible and may be considered for its bearing on rebutting such defense or on any matter to which it is relevant, subject to the balancing test provided in Code of Evidence Article 403:

(a) The alleged perpetrator of the domestic abuse, sexual assault, or trafficking against the offender as provided in R.S. 14:18.1.

(b) Any family member, household member, or dating partner of the offender.

(c) Any other person if such evidence is relevant to rebut such defenses, subject to the balancing test provided in Code of Evidence Article 403.

B. In a case in which the state intends to offer evidence under the provisions of Paragraph (A)(1) of this Article, the prosecution shall, upon request of the accused, provide reasonable notice in advance of trial of the nature of any such evidence it intends to introduce at trial for such purposes. However, notice shall not be required prior to introducing evidence under the provisions of Paragraph (A)(2) of this Article.

AMENDMENT NO. 6
Delete pages 2 through 7

AMENDMENT NO. 7
On page 8, delete line 1

Senator Foil moved the adoption of the amendments.

Senator Barrow objected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Hensgens Morris
Abraham Hewitt Peacock
Bernard Kleinpeter Pope
Cathey Lambert Reese
Cloud McMath Smith
Connick Milligan Stine
Fesi Mills, F. Talbot
Foil Mills, R. White
Henry Mizell Womack
Total - 27

NAYS

Allain Carter Jackson
Barrow Duplessis Price
Boudreaux Fields Tarver
Bouie Harris
Total - 11

ABSENT

Luneau
Total - 1

The Chair declared the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Fields Mizell
Abraham Foil Morris
Allain Harris Peacock
Barrow Henry Pope
Bernard Hensgens Price
Boudreaux Hewitt Reese
Bouie Jackson Smith
Carter Kleinpeter Stine
Cathey Lambert Talbot
Cloud McMath Tarver
Connick Milligan White
Duplessis Mills, F. Womack
Fesi Mills, R.
Total - 38

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau
Total - 1

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

**Rules Suspended**

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

**Introduction of Senate Resolutions**

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 93—**

BY SENATOR CORTEZ

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Honorable Sharon Woodall Hewitt for her years of distinguished public service and to express enduring gratitude for her outstanding contributions made on behalf of the constituents of the parishes of Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, and St. Tammany, and the state of Louisiana, particularly during her tenure as a distinguished member of the Louisiana Senate representing District 1.

Senator Mizell asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to read Senate Resolution No. 93 a first and second time.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 94—**

BY SENATOR LAMBERT

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Wednesday, May 17, 2023, as Bankers Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 95—**

BY SENATOR DUPLESSIS

A RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Kenneth "Biggy" Johnston.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 96—**

BY SENATOR MIZELL

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to study acute and long-term adverse health events related to medical marijuana and to report its findings to the legislature prior to the convening of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**Introduction of Senate Concurrent Resolutions**

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47—**

BY SENATOR PEACOCK

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Raj Letchuman on winning the Louisiana Student of the Year award.

Senator Peacock asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to read Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 47 a first and second time.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Peacock
Allain	Harris	Pope
Barrow	Henry	Price
Bernard	Hensgens	Reese
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Smith
Bouie	Jackson	Stine
Carter	Kleinpeter	Talbot
Cathey	Lambert	Tarver
Cloud	McMath	White
Connick	Milligan	Womack
Duplessis	Mills, F.	
Fesi	Mills, R.	

Total - 37

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Luneau Morris

Total - 2

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

**ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**

PRESENT

Mr. President	Fields	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Peacock
Barrow	Henry	Pope
Bernard	Hensgens	Price
Boudreaux	Hewitt	Reese
Bouie	Jackson	Smith
Carter	Kleinpeter	Stine
Cathey	Lambert	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Tarver
Connick	Milligan	White
Duplessis	Mills, F.	Womack
Fesi	Mills, R.	

Total - 38

ABSENT

Luneau

Total - 1

**Leaves of Absence**

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Luneau 1 Day

**Announcements**

The following committee meetings for May 17, 2023, were announced:

Health and Welfare	10:00 A.M.	Hainkel Room
Insurance	10:00 A.M.	Room A
Senate and Gov't Affairs	9:00 A.M.	Room F

**Adjournment**

On motion of Senator Talbot, at 5:13 o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at 2:00 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.

YOLANDA J. DIXON  
Secretary of the Senate

FRAN OGNIBENE  
Journal Clerk