

**THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL
OF THE
SENATE
OF THE
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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

Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Thursday, October 23, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 2:24 o'clock P.M. by Hon. J. Cameron Henry, Jr., President of the Senate.

Morning Hour

CONVENING ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mr. President	Foil	Morris
Abraham	Harris	Myers
Allain	Hensgens	Owen
Barrow	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Lambert	Seabaugh
Cathey	Luneau	Selders
Cloud	McMath	Stine
Duplessis	Miguez	Talbot
Edmonds	Miller	Wheat
Fesi	Mizell	Womack

Total - 36

ABSENT

Connick	Kleinpeter
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Total - 2

The President of the Senate announced there were 36 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Father Harry Bugler, 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 Talbot, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of June 12, 2025, was adopted.

**Petitions, Memorials and
Communications**

The following petitions, memorials and communications were received and read:

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
PROCLAMATION NUMBER 68 JML 2025**

**CALL AND CONVENE THE LEGISLATURE OF
LOUISIANA INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION**

By virtue of the authority vested in me by La. Const. art. III, Â§ 2(B), I, Jeff Landry, Governor of the State of Louisiana, HEREBY CALL AND CONVENE THE LEGISLATURE OF LOUISIANA INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION to convene at the State Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, during 22 calendar days, beginning at 2:00 p.m. on the 23rd day of October 2025, and ending no later than 6:00 p.m. on the 13th day of November 2025. The power to legislate at such session shall be limited, under penalty of nullity, to the consideration of the following specified enumerated objects:

ITEM 1: To legislate relative to the election code, election dates, election deadlines, and election plans for the 2026 election cycle, and to provide for the funding thereof if necessary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana on this 16th day of October, 2025.

JEFF LANDRY
Governor of Louisiana

Attest by:
NANCY LANDRY
Secretary of State

LOUISIANA SENATE

September 17, 2025

Honorable Cameron Henry
President of the Louisiana State Senate
Louisiana State Capitol
900 N. 3rd Street, Basement
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9062

RE: Resignation from The Louisiana State Senate Effective 10/15/25

Dear President Henry,

I am writing to formally tender my resignation from the Louisiana State Senate, representing District 3, effective October 15, 2025.

It has been one of the greatest honors of my life to serve the people of Louisiana in the Senate. I am deeply grateful to my constituents for the trust they placed in me and to my colleagues for their collaboration and support throughout my legislative service.

This decision follows an opportunity to continue serving the public in a new capacity, one which requires my full attention. I remain committed to advancing the values of social justice, education, and opportunity that have shaped my work in public service.

I extend my deepest appreciation to you, the Senate staff, and the entire legislative body for your leadership and dedication to our state. Please let me know how I may assist in ensuring a smooth transition for my successor and the constituents of District 3.

Sincerely,
JOSEPH BOUIE, JR.

**Prefiled Senate Bills and
Joint Resolutions
to be Introduced
and Referred**

Senator Talbot asked for a suspension of the rules to introduce and read prefiled Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions a first and second time and refer them to committee.

Point of Order

Senator Luneau asked for a point of order concerning the propriety of holding a Senate committee meeting on the same day of convening session.

The Chair declared the time of the meeting appropriate.

Senator Boudreaux objected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Hensgens	Myers
Abraham	Hodges	Owen
Allain	Kleinpeter	Pressly
Bass	Lambert	Reese
Cathey	McMath	Seabaugh
Cloud	Miguez	Stine
Edmonds	Miller	Talbot
Fesi	Mizell	Wheat
Foil	Morris	Womack
Total - 27		

NAYS

Barrow	Harris	Price
Boudreaux	Jackson-Andrews	Selders
Carter	Jenkins	
Duplessis	Luneau	
Total - 10		

ABSENT

Connick
Total - 1

The chair declared the rules were suspended.

**SENATE BILL NO. 1—
BY SENATOR KLEINPETER AND REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU
AN ACT**

To enact Part I-B of Chapter 5 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 18:419.1 and 419.2, relative to the conduct of elections in 2026; to provide for dates for spring elections in 2026; to provide for qualifying spring elections in 2026; to provide for nominating petitions for spring elections in 2026; to provide for election campaign finance disclosure filing deadlines for 2026; to provide certain authorizations to the secretary of state; 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 Senate and Governmental Affairs.

**SENATE BILL NO. 2—
BY SENATOR KLEINPETER AND REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU
AN ACT**

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 218 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 2 of Act No. 219 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 3 of Act No. 221 of

the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 8 of Act No. 222 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Section 2 of Act No. 223 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to designating the statewide election for submitting proposed constitutional amendments contained in joint resolutions concurred in during the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature to the electors of the state; to provide for a special statewide election to be held on May 16, 2026, for the purpose of submitting proposed constitutional amendments to the electors of the state; to provide for the conduct of such election; to change the date on which the proposed constitutional amendments shall be submitted to the electors; 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 Senate and Governmental Affairs.

Rules Suspended

Senator Kleinpeter asked for a suspension of the rules to allow the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to meet today without the required 1:00 P.M. posting time.

Senator Boudreaux objected.

ROLL CALL

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Total - 10		

ABSENT

Connick
Total - 1

The Chair declared the rules were suspended.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**PRESENT**

Mr. President	Harris	Myers
Abraham	Hensgens	Owen
Allain	Hodges	Pressly
Barrow	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Bass	Jenkins	Reese
Boudreaux	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Carter	Lambert	Selders
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Connick

Total - 1

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Talbot, at 2:41 o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned until Friday, October 24, 2025, at 10:00 o'clock A.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

FRANCINE K. OGNIBENE
Journal Clerk