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THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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> Senate Chamber State Capitol Baton Rouge, Louisiana

> > Saturday, October 25, 2025

The Senate was called to order at 9:38 o'clock A.M. by Hon. J. Cameron Henry, Jr., President of the Senate.

Morning Hour

CONVENING ROLL CALL

PRESENT

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	Morris
Harris	Myers
Hensgens	Owen
Hodges	Pressly
Jackson-Andrews	Reese
Jenkins	Seabaugh
Kleinpeter	Selders
Lambert	Stine
Luneau	Talbot
Miguez	Wheat
Miller	Womack
Mizell	
	Hodges Jackson-Andrews Jenkins Kleinpeter Lambert Luneau Miguez Miller

Total - 35

ABSENT

Connick	McMath	Price
Total - 3		

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

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Senator Abraham, 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 Abraham, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of October 24, 2025, was adopted.

Message from the House

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

October 24, 2025

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3— BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER AND SENATOR HENRY A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health to take immediate action utilizing any available revenue source to address the suspension of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits caused by the federal government shutdown.

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

House Concurrent Resolutions on First Reading

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3— BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER AND SENATOR HENRY A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health to take immediate action utilizing any available revenue source to address the suspension of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits caused by the federal government shutdown.

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

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

Rules Suspended

Senator Talbot asked for a suspension of the rules to invoke 3 minute cloture.

Senator Jenkins 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		

Total - 27

NAYS

Barrow	Duplessis	Jenkins
Boudreaux	Harris	Luneau
Carter	Jackson-Andrews	Selders

Total - 9

Price Connick

Total - 2

The Chair declared the rules were suspended and 3 minute cloture was invoked.

ABSENT

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

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authorizations to the secretary of state; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Kleinpeter proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

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

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, between lines 10 and 11 insert the following:

Section 2. The change of election dates as provided in this Act shall not be construed to invalidate any action undertaken by the governing authority of a political subdivision in an effort to place a bond, debt, tax, or proposition election or other question to be presented to the voters on either the April 18, 2026, or May 30, 2026, ballot. Any notice, resolution, proclamation, or certification that states either the April 18, 2026, or May 30, 2026, election date shall not be invalidated for failure to state the May 16, 2026, or June 27, 2026, election date as provided for in this Act.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, line 11, change "Section 2." to "Section 3."

Senator Kleinpeter moved the adoption of the amendments.

Senator Barrow 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	Duplessis	Jenkins
Boudreaux	Harris	Luneau
Carter	Jackson-Andrews	Selders
Total - 9		

ABSENT

Connick Price

Total - 2

The Chair declared the amendments were adopted.

Motion to Reconsider Vote

Senator Jackson-Andrews asked for a suspension of the rules to reconsider the vote by which the 3 minute rule was invoked.

Senator Talbot objected.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Barrow	Harris	Mizell
Boudreaux	Jackson-Andrews	Selders
Carter	Jenkins	
Duplessis	Luneau	

Total - 10

NAYS

Mr. President Abraham Allain Bass Cathey Cloud Edmonds Fesi Foil	Hensgens Hodges Lambert McMath Miguez Miller Morris Myers Owen	Pressly Reese Seabaugh Stine Talbot Wheat Womack
Total - 25		

ABSENT

Connick Kleinpeter Price

Total - 3

The Chair declared the Senate failed to reconsider the vote.

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

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		

Total - 27

NAYS

Barrow	Duplessis	Jenkins
Boudreaux	Harris	Luneau
Carter	Jackson-Andrews	Selders
Total 0		

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ABSENT

Connick Price Total - 2

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

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

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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.

Point of Order

Senator Talbot asked if this bill requires a two-thirds vote.

The President ruled this bill only needs a majority vote.

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

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

Barrow Duplessis Jenkins Boudreaux Harris Luneau Carter Jackson-Andrews Selders

Total - 9

ABSENT

NAYS

Connick Price Total - 2

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Kleinpeter moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

Rules Suspended

Senator Jenkins asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to revert to the Morning Hour.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

PRESENT

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

Fesi Miller Womack Total - 36

ABSENT

Connick Price Total - 2

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Talbot, at 10:22 o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, October 29, 2025, at 11:00 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