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**SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**Thirty-Second Extraordinary Session of the Legislature  
Under the Adoption of the  
Constitution of 1974**

Senate Chamber  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, March 8, 2004

The Senate was called to order at 4:00 o'clock P.M., by Hon. Donald E. Hines, President of the Senate.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names:

**PRESENT**

Mr. President	Ellington	Lentini
Adley	Fields	Malone
Amedee	Fontenot	Marionneaux
Bajoie	Gautreaux, B	McPherson
Boasso	Gautreaux, N	Michot
Boissiere	Hainkel	Mount
Cain	Heitmeier	Nevers
Chaisson	Holden	Romero
Cheek	Hollis	Schedler
Cravins	Irons	Smith
Dardenne	Jackson	Theunissen
Duplessis	Jones	Ullo
Dupre	Kostelka	
Total—38		

**ABSENT**

Barham  
Total—1

The President of the Senate announced there were 38 Senators present and a quorum.

**Prayer**

The prayer was offered by Rev. Erroll Dominique, following which the Senate joined in pledging allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

**Reading of the Journal**

On motion of Senator Bajoie, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of yesterday was adopted.

**Morning Hour**

**Introduction of Senate Bills  
and Joint Resolutions**

Senator Bajoie asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of introducing and reading the following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions a first and second time and referring them to committee

**SENATE BILL NO. 20—**  
BY SENATOR HAINKEL

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:301(3)(i), (13)(k) and (28), and 337.10(I), relative to sales and use tax of the state, statewide political subdivisions, and other political subdivisions; to provide for the reduction of the sales price, cost price, gross proceeds derived from a lease or rental, monthly lease or rental price paid, and the monthly lease or rental price contracted or agreed to by way of a definitional exclusion of certain machinery and equipment; to provide for an optional exemption for other political subdivisions; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Bajoie, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

**SENATE BILL NO. 21—**  
BY SENATOR HAINKEL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:601(A), 602(A), (B), and (E)(1), 603(A), 604(A)(introductory paragraph) and (C), and 606(A)(introductory paragraph) and (C); to enact R.S. 47:602(G) and 605.1, and to repeal R.S. 47:601(D) and 603, relative to the corporation franchise tax; to reduce the amount of borrowed capital included in taxable capital until it is phased out; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Bajoie, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

**Introduction of  
Senate Concurrent Resolutions**

Senator Bajoie asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of introducing and reading the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions a first and second time and acting upon them as follows:

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—**  
BY SENATOR HAINKEL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate James F. Sefcik upon the occasion of his retirement as director of the Louisiana State Museum and assistant secretary of the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. President	Ellington	Lentini
Adley	Fields	Malone
Amedee	Fontenot	Marionneaux
Bajoie	Gautreaux, B	McPherson
Boasso	Gautreaux, N	Michot
Boissiere	Hainkel	Mount
Cain	Heitmeier	Nevers
Chaisson	Holden	Romero
Cheek	Hollis	Schedler
Cravins	Irons	Smith
Dardenne	Jackson	Theunissen
Duplessis	Jones	Ullo
Dupre	Kostelka	
Total—38		

**NAYS**

Total—0

**ABSENT**

Barham

March 8, 2004

Total—1

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

Messages from the House

The following Messages from the House were received and read as follows:

Message from the House

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

March 7, 2004

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. 1— BY REPRESENTATIVES SALTER AND BROOME A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To invite the Honorable Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of Louisiana, to address a joint session of the legislature.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2— BY REPRESENTATIVE DORSEY A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the 2003 LSU Football Tigers and Coach Nick Saban upon winning the national championship.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3— BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Alwynn J. "Al" Cronvich, former sheriff of Jefferson Parish.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4— BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE AND SENATOR NEVERS A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend George and Germaine Briant as Louisiana's longest married couple.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5— BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Honorable W.J. "Billy" Tauzin II for thirty-two consecutive years of incomparable service in the Louisiana Legislature and the United States House of Representatives and to recognize his special place in the annals of state history.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6— BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Honorable John Breaux for his service to the state of Louisiana upon the occasion of his retirement from the United States Senate and to recognize his special place in the annals of state history.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8— BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Mark Joseph Miller.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10— BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to develop, implement, and enforce more stringent ethics rules pertaining to post-employment restrictions on lobbying as applicable to former members of congress.

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

House Concurrent Resolutions

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1— BY REPRESENTATIVES SALTER AND BROOME A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To invite the Honorable Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of Louisiana, to address a joint session of the legislature.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Fields Malone
Adley Fontenot Marionneaux
Amedee Gautreaux, B McPherson
Bajoie Gautreaux, N Michot
Boasso Hainkel Mount
Boissiere Heitmeier Nevers
Cain Holden Romero
Chaisson Hollis Schedler
Cheek Irons Smith
Dardenne Jackson Theunissen
Duplessis Jones Ullo
Dupre Kostelka
Ellington Lentini
Total—37

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Barham Cravins
Total—2

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2— BY REPRESENTATIVE DORSEY A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the 2003 LSU Football Tigers and Coach Nick Saban upon winning the national championship.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. President	Ellington	Malone
Adley	Fields	Marionneau
Amedee	Fontenot	McPherson
Bajoie	Gautreaux, B	Michot
Boasso	Gautreaux, N	Mount
Boissiere	Hainkel	Nevers
Cain	Heitmeier	Romero
Chaisson	Holden	Schedler
Cheek	Hollis	Smith
Dardenne	Jackson	Theunissen
Duplessis	Kostelka	Ullo
Dupre	Lentini	

Total—35

**NAYS**

Total—0

**ABSENT**

Barham	Irons
Cravins	Jones

Total—4

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Alwynn J. "Al" Cronvich, former sheriff of Jefferson Parish.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. President	Fields	Malone
Adley	Fontenot	Marionneau
Amedee	Gautreaux, B	McPherson
Bajoie	Gautreaux, N	Michot
Boasso	Hainkel	Mount
Boissiere	Heitmeier	Nevers
Cain	Holden	Romero
Chaisson	Hollis	Schedler
Cheek	Irons	Smith
Dardenne	Jackson	Theunissen
Duplessis	Jones	Ullo
Dupre	Kostelka	
Ellington	Lentini	

Total—37

**NAYS**

Total—0

**ABSENT**

Barham	Cravins
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Total—2

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CROWE AND SENATOR NEVERS  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend George and Germaine Briant as Louisiana's longest married couple.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. President	Fields	Malone
Adley	Fontenot	Marionneau
Amedee	Gautreaux, B	McPherson
Bajoie	Gautreaux, N	Michot
Boasso	Hainkel	Mount
Boissiere	Heitmeier	Nevers
Cain	Holden	Romero
Chaisson	Hollis	Schedler
Cheek	Irons	Smith
Dardenne	Jackson	Theunissen
Duplessis	Jones	Ullo
Dupre	Kostelka	
Ellington	Lentini	

Total—37

**NAYS**

Total—0

**ABSENT**

Barham	Cravins
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Total—2

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Honorable W.J. "Billy" Tauzin II for thirty-two consecutive years of incomparable service in the Louisiana Legislature and the United States House of Representatives and to recognize his special place in the annals of state history.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. President	Fields	Malone
Adley	Fontenot	Marionneau
Amedee	Gautreaux, B	McPherson
Bajoie	Gautreaux, N	Michot
Boasso	Hainkel	Mount
Boissiere	Heitmeier	Nevers
Cain	Holden	Romero
Chaisson	Hollis	Schedler
Cheek	Irons	Smith
Dardenne	Jackson	Theunissen
Duplessis	Jones	Ullo
Dupre	Kostelka	
Ellington	Lentini	

Total—37

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	NAYS
Total—0	
	ABSENT
Barham	Cravins
Total—2	

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Honorable John Breaux for his service to the state of Louisiana upon the occasion of his retirement from the United States Senate and to recognize his special place in the annals of state history.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

	YEAS	
Mr. President	Ellington	Lentini
Adley	Fields	Malone
Amedee	Fontenot	Marionneaux
Bajoie	Gautreaux, B	McPherson
Boasso	Gautreaux, N	Michot
Boissiere	Heitmeier	Mount
Cain	Holden	Nevers
Chaisson	Hollis	Romero
Cheek	Irons	Schedler
Dardenne	Jackson	Smith
Duplessis	Jones	Theunissen
Dupre	Kostelka	Ullo
Total—36		
	NAYS	
Total—0		
	ABSENT	
Barham	Cravins	Hainkel
Total—3		

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNS  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Mark Joseph Miller.

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

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

	YEAS	
Mr. President	Ellington	Lentini
Adley	Fields	Malone
Amedee	Fontenot	Marionneaux
Bajoie	Gautreaux, B	McPherson

Boasso	Gautreaux, N	Michot
Boissiere	Hainkel	Mount
Cain	Heitmeier	Nevers
Chaisson	Holden	Romero
Cheek	Hollis	Schedler
Dardenne	Jackson	Smith
Duplessis	Jones	Theunissen
Dupre	Kostelka	Ullo
Total—36		

NAYS

Total—0

ABSENT

Barham	Cravins	Irons
Total—3		

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

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to develop, implement, and enforce more stringent ethics rules pertaining to post-employment restrictions on lobbying as applicable to former members of congress.

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

**Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading to be Referred**

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions were read and referred to committees as follows:

**SENATE BILL NO. 1—**  
BY SENATORS CAIN, MICHOT AND BARHAM AND REPRESENTATIVES LAMBERT, SCALISE, BRUNEAU, WADDELL, TUCKER, TOOMY, KENNARD, FUTRELL, BOWLER, SMILEY, KATZ, LABRUZZO, ALEXANDER AND TRAHAN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:293(7) and to enact R.S. 47:293(2) and (6)(a)(i), relative to Subsections (F), (G), (H), (I), (J), (K), (L), (M), (N), (O), (P) and (Q) of Section 302, Section 305.50, or Paragraph (1) of Subsection O of Section 331 of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, which repeal or suspend state sales tax exemptions, and which such repeal or suspension will expire in 2004; to provide for the repeal or suspension of such exemptions under certain conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Senator Heitmeier asked for a ruling from the Chair as to whether the bill was germane to the call.

The Chair ruled that the bill was not germane to the call.

The bill was withdrawn.

**SENATE BILL NO. 17—**  
BY SENATOR MALONE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:293(7) and to enact R.S. 47:293(2) and (6)(a)(i), relative to Subsections (F), (G), (H), (I), (J), (K), (L), (M), (N), (O), (P) and (Q) of Section 302, Section 305.50, or Paragraph (1) of Subsection O of Section 331 of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, which repeal or suspend state sales tax exemptions, and which such repeal or suspension will expire in 2004; to provide for the repeal or suspension of such exemptions under certain conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Senator Heitmeier asked for a ruling from the Chair as to whether the bill was germane to the call.

The Chair ruled that the bill was not germane to the call.

The bill was withdrawn.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS

Senator Mount, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, submitted the following report:

March 8, 2004

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to submit the following report:

SENATE BILL NO. 9— BY SENATORS MOUNT, HINES AND HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT, SALTER, ALARIO AND MONTGOMERY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 3 of Act No. 60 of the 2002 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the income and franchise tax credits for costs associated with the rehabilitation of certain historic structures; to provide for the taxable periods in which the credit may be taken; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 13— BY SENATORS MOUNT, HINES AND HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT, SALTER, ALARIO, MONTGOMERY AND THOMPSON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:301(10)(x), relative to the sales and use taxes of the state and statewide political subdivisions; to phase in a reduction of the tax for the sale or purchase by consumers of certain fuels or gases for residential use; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 14— BY SENATORS MOUNT, HINES AND HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2461(B), relative to the Louisiana Quality Jobs Program Act; to extend the time period for application for tax credits and rebates; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 15— BY SENATORS MOUNT, HINES AND HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 3 of Act No. 535 of the 1988 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Section 2 of Act No. 285 of the 1992 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 3 of Act No. 1291 of the 1997 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 1 of Act No. 50 of the 1998 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Section 3 of Act No. 7 of the 2001 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, relative to the

Louisiana Tax Free Shopping Program; to change the termination date of the program; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted, WILLIE MOUNT Chairwoman

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

FINANCE

Senator Heitmeier, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

March 8, 2004

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE BILL NO. 8— BY SENATORS HEITMEIER, HINES AND MOUNT AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:94(A), relative to the Budget Stabilization Fund; to provide for an increase in the base amount of revenues received by the state as a result of the production of or exploration for minerals, as a result of grants or donations, and as derived from any tax on the transportation of minerals which base is used to determine the deposit of such revenues into the fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted, FRANCIS C. HEITMEIER Chairman

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committees

Senator Heitmeier asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up at this time the following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions just reported by Committees.

SENATE BILL NO. 8— BY SENATORS HEITMEIER, HINES AND MOUNT AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:94(A), relative to the Budget Stabilization Fund; to provide for an increase in the base amount of revenues received by the state as a result of the production of or exploration for minerals, as a result of grants or donations, and as derived from any tax on the transportation of minerals which base is used to determine the deposit of such revenues into the fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 9— BY SENATORS MOUNT, HINES AND HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT, SALTER, ALARIO AND MONTGOMERY

AN ACT

March 8, 2004

To amend and reenact Section 3 of Act No. 60 of the 2002 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the income and franchise tax credits for costs associated with the rehabilitation of certain historic structures; to provide for the taxable periods in which the credit may be taken; and to provide for related matters.

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 13—**  
BY SENATORS MOUNT, HINES AND HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT, SALTER, ALARIO, MONTGOMERY AND THOMPSON

**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 47:301(10)(x), relative to the sales and use taxes of the state and statewide political subdivisions; to phase in a reduction of the tax for the sale or purchase by consumers of certain fuels or gases for residential use; to provide for an effective date; 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 Original Senate Bill No. 13 by Senator Mount

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, change "phase in" to "provide for"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 16, delete "(i)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 17, change "Chapter 2-B" to "Chapters 2, 2-A, and 2-B"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete lines 4 through 11

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 14—**  
BY SENATORS MOUNT, HINES AND HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2461(B), relative to the Louisiana Quality Jobs Program Act; to extend the time period for application for tax credits and rebates; and to provide for related matters.

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 15—**  
BY SENATORS MOUNT, HINES AND HEITMEIER AND REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact Section 3 of Act No. 535 of the 1988 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Section 2 of Act No. 285 of the 1992 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 3 of Act No. 1291 of the 1997 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 1 of Act No. 50 of the 1998 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Section 3 of Act No. 7 of the 2001 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, relative to the Louisiana Tax Free Shopping Program; to change the termination date of the program; 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 Original Senate Bill No. 15 by Senator Mount

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 2, change "2007" to "2005"

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

**Messages from the House**

The following Messages from the House were received and read as follows:

**Message from the House**

**CONCURRING IN  
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

March 8, 2004

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House of Representatives has finally concurred in the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—**

BY SENATOR HINES

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To commend and congratulate Senator Paulette Irons on being one of ten winners of the Home Box Office (HBO) national "Hearing Her Voice, Telling Her Story" award, which honors contributions made by African-American women.

Reported without amendments.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—**

BY SENATOR FONTENOT

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To commend and congratulate the Louisiana State University Fighting Tigers on culminating their impressive season by capturing the national championship on January 4, 2004.

Reported without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. SPEER

Clerk of the House of Representatives

**Leaves of Absence**

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Barham 1 Day

**Adjournment**

Senator Bajoie moved that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, March 9, 2004, at 4:00 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned until 4:00 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday, March 9, 2004.

MICHAEL S. BAER, III  
Secretary of the Senate

GAYE F. HAMILTON  
Journal Clerk