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OF THE
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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

Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Sunday, February 10, 2008

The Senate was called to order at 6:00 o'clock P.M., by Hon. Joel T. Chaisson II, President of the Senate.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Mr. President	Dupre	McPherson
Adley	Erdey	Michot
Alario	Gautreaux B	Morrish
Amedee	Gautreaux N	Murray
Broome	Gray	Nevers
Cassidy	Hebert	Riser
Cheek	Heitmeier	Scalise
Cravins	Jackson	Shaw
Crowe	Kostelka	Shepherd
Donahue	Long	Smith
Dorsey	Marionneaux	Thompson
Duplessis	Martiny	Walsworth
Total - 36		

ABSENT

LaFleur	Mount	Quinn
Total - 3		

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

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Reverend Sherman Shelton following which the Senate joined in pledging allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Morning Hour

Messages from the Secretary of State

The following messages from the Secretary of State were received and read as follows:

STATE OF LOUISIANA
Secretary of State

February 4, 2008

To the Honorable President of the Senate and the Members of the Louisiana State Senate

Ladies and Gentleman:

I have the honor to hand you herewith a certified copy of the Proclamation by his Excellency, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State

of Louisiana, dated February 1, 2008, designating certain objects to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 6:00 o'clock p.m. on Sunday, the 10th day of February, 2008, and ending no later than 6:00 o'clock p.m. on Saturday, the 1st day of March, 2008.

Sincerely,
JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

**UNITED STATE OF AMERICA
STATE OF LOUISIANA**
Secretary of State

February 6, 2008

As Secretary of State, of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby Certify that the attached pages contain a true and correct copy of the Proclamation by His Excellency, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated February 1, 2008, designating certain objects to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 6:00 o'clock p.m. on the tenth day of February 2008, and adjourn, not later than 6:00 o'clock p.m. of the first day of March, 2008.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on, this, the 4th day of February, 2008.

JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION NO. 3 BJ 2008**

Convening of Legislature into Extraordinary Session

By virtue of the authority vested in me by Paragraph B of Section 2 of Article III of the Constitution of Louisiana, I, Bobby Jindal, 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 twenty-one (21) calendar days, beginning at 6:00 p.m. on the 10th day of February, 2008, and ending no later than 6:00 o'clock p.m. on the 1st day of March, 2008. The power to legislate at such session shall be limited, under penalty of nullity, to the following specifically enumerated objects:

Item No. 1—Financial Disclosure

To legislate relative to financial disclosure for all elected officials and certain appointed officials by:

(1) amending the gubernatorial disclosure requirements of R.S. 42:1124 to include board affiliations, the identity of clients, job titles and descriptions, and value ranges for real property;

(2) applying the gubernatorial disclosure requirements of R.S. 42:1124 (as amended) to all statewide elected officials, executive branch department heads, legislators, all officials elected from voting districts with a population of five thousand or more, all members of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, and all members of the Ethics Board and its administrator, with an optout provision for judges at such time as the Judiciary Commission implements equivalent disclosure standards;

(3) requiring all officials elected from a voting district with a population of less than five thousand and all appointees to statewide boards and commissions with authority to administer public funds of \$10,000 per fiscal year to file a disclosure form with the Ethics Board stating:

a) Neither I, my spouse, nor any business enterprise in which I or my spouse have a 10% interest or greater has received income in excess of \$250 from the state of Louisiana or any local governmental entity or political subdivision thereof, or from services performed for or in connection with a gaming interest;

b) I or my spouse did receive income in excess of \$250 from the state of Louisiana or local government entities, or political subdivisions or gaming interest (identify sources and value ranges for each);

c) I certify that I have filed my federal income tax return for the previous year. I certify that I have filed my state income tax return for the previous year;

Or

I certify that I have filed for an extension of my federal income tax return for the previous year. I certify that I have filed for an extension of my state income tax return for the previous year; and

(4) requiring that candidates for public offices make the same disclosures as required for office holders.

Item No. 2—Conflicts of Interest

To legislate relative to conflicts of interest by statewide elected officials, legislators and statewide appointed boards and commissions by:

(1) prohibiting legislators, their spouses, and businesses in which they own any interest from entering any contracts that are authorized or renewed during the legislator's term of office and for one year thereafter, excluding retail transactions for less than \$2,500;

(2) prohibiting negotiated (i.e., non-competitively bid) contracts between the state and the adult children, siblings and parents of legislators and their spouses authorized or renewed during the legislator's term of office and for one year thereafter, excluding retail transactions for less than \$2,500, and requiring greater disclosure for all competitively bid contracts between the state and these individuals;

(3) providing for an exception to the contract prohibitions during gubernatorial declared disasters and authorizing the Governor to waive the retail transactions limitation by executive order;

(4) prohibiting statewide elected officials, legislators, their spouses, and enterprises in which they own any interest from receiving recovery-related contracts, excluding retail transactions for less than \$2,500, during their term of office and for one year thereafter;

(5) prohibiting statewide elected officials, heads of executive departments, and legislators from representing clients before any executive or legislative state agency, with an exception for "ministerial matters";

(6) prohibiting legislators from receiving any compensation for assisting with the execution or funding of any judgment against the state;

(7) prohibiting lobbying by immediate family members of statewide elected officials, executive branch department heads, and legislators of the official's or office-holder's staff;

(8) prohibiting legislators from performing lobbying services as a "consultant" or otherwise;

(9) requiring non-governmental entities to submit a supplemental information form to the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, and requiring the Senate and House to make these forms readily available;

(10) repealing the gift exception for elected officials for cultural and sporting events in R.S. 42:1123(13);

(11) requiring a two-thirds vote of the legislature to enact or re-enact exceptions to the Ethics Code; and

(12) repealing the written statement exception to the recusal rule of R.S. 42:1120.

Item No. 3—Transparency for Lobbyists

To legislate relative to increased transparency for lobbyists and lobbying activities by:

(1) requiring that lobbyists' registration forms include compensation ranges, subject matter of lobbying activity, and business relationships with statewide elected officials, executive department heads, legislators and their spouses;

(2) requiring that lobbyists' expenditure reports include spending on spouses and dependant children of executive branch elected and appointed officials and legislators, subject matter of lobbying activities, and expenditure totals by category;

(3) requiring that lobbyists' reports be filed monthly;

(4) requiring all lobbyists' filings to be electronic and posted in an online, search-able database;

(5) prohibiting contingency fee contracts for lobbyists;

(6) restricting lobbyists' spending on public servants to \$50 per meal on food and beverages per public servant;

(7) requiring that lobbyists disclose aggregate monthly expenditures in excess of \$50 per public servant;

(8) increasing penalties for inaccurate or incomplete reporting by lobbyists; and

(9) establishing penalties for lobbyists who file reports filed "with knowledge of its falsity" consistent with R.S. 14:133.

Item No. 4—Improving Ethics Education and Enforcement

To legislate relative to improving the education and training of public servants concerning the obligations and prohibitions of the Ethics Code and to improve procedures for enforcement of ethical standards for all public servants by:

(1) requiring annual ethics training for all public servants, with testing and certification upon completion;

(2) requiring annual ethics training for all lobbyists;

(3) requiring orientation and training for Ethics Board members prior to performing any function for the Board;

(4) requiring that at least three members of the Ethics Board be attorneys;

(5) requiring greater separation between the Ethics Board's advisory, investigatory and prosecutorial functions;

(6) providing for a confidential advisory process and requiring that opinions be sterilized before publication to preserve the confidentiality of public servants requesting opinions;

(7) requiring the Ethics Board to expedite the process for, and maintain confidentiality during, the initial screening of complaints;

(8) requiring that all complaints not warranting investigation be summarily dismissed and expunged;

(9) requiring the Ethics Board to offer consent judgments for expedited compliance following investigation but before charges are filed, with all final consent judgments made public;

(10) separating the prosecutorial and adjudicatory process by utilizing administrative law judges to preside over hearings and to rule on charges and penalties;

(11) creating objective criteria for the Ethics Board's current authority to issue waivers and grant penalty reductions;

(12) mandating the prompt referral of unpaid fines to the Attorney General's office for collection proceedings;

(13) requiring the Ethics Board to maintain certain records for seven years, to file an annual performance report online, and to post "as soon as possible" all disclosure forms and reports of candidates, public officials, and lobbyists on the Ethics Board website in a search-able database;

(14) providing criminal penalties for willful and fraudulent violations of the Ethics Code;

(15) requiring the suspension of public servants charged with a crime related to his or her public office;

(16) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Louisiana establishing the power of electors to exercise the legislative power of the state to propose a new law or amend existing law requiring that public servants convicted of a crime related to their public office forfeit the tax-payer portion of their pension; and

(17) prohibiting indicted legislators from serving on committees, subject to waiver by either chamber by a two-thirds vote.

Item No. 5--Transparency and Public Access to Information

To legislate relative to improving access to public information and records by:

(1) requiring the online posting of reports of all state spending by agency and function;

(2) requiring all legislative floor proceedings and committee hearings to be broadcast free of charge over the internet and archived for at least three years;

(3) prohibiting legislators from changing votes after completion of floor action;

(4) providing for an expedited and efficient administrative appeals process to resolve disputes over access to public records;

(5) authorizing the termination of public employees who willfully violate the public records law and the open meeting law; and

(6) prohibiting the use of counter letters to circumvent the Ethics Code.

Item No. 6--Further Combating Fraud and Abuse

To legislate relative to other public officers and private citizens participating in the prevention of fraud and abuse by:

(1) enabling the Office of Inspector General by statute;

(2) granting authority to local inspector generals and ethical governing bodies to issue and enforce subpoenas in state court and providing for confidentiality during investigations by such;

(3) expanding whistleblower protection to prohibit threats of reprisal to public servants; and

(4) authorizing qui tam incentives and standing to citizens to pursue public fraud cases when the state refuses to act.

Item No. 7--Improve Campaign Finance Laws

To legislate relative to improving campaign finance laws by:

(1) requiring that Section 527 political groups disclose all contributors, contributions and expenditures;

(2) requiring third party political advertisements to disclose the identity of the group sponsoring the advertisement on or within the advertisement itself;

(3) prohibiting candidates for elected offices from using campaign funds to pay family members;

(4) prohibiting candidates for statewide and legislative offices from fundraising during regular legislative sessions;

(5) requiring candidates to successfully complete ethics training as a condition of qualifying;

(6) prohibiting individuals with outstanding ethics fines from qualifying as a candidate for elected office;

(7) requiring candidates to request that contributors above \$250 disclose the identify of their employers and to disclose such information on campaign reports; and

(8) establishing a \$10,000 limit for individuals and entities contributing to gubernatorial transition teams.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 1st day of February, 2008.

BOBBY JINDAL
Governor of Louisiana

Attest by
JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

STATE OF LOUISIANA
Secretary of State

February 6, 2008

To the Honorable President of the Senate and the Members of the Louisiana State Senate

Ladies and Gentleman:

I have the honor to hand you herewith a certified copy of the Proclamation by his Excellency, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated February 4, 2008, amending and supplementating certain items to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 6:00 o'clock p.m. on Sunday, the 10th day of February, 2008, and ending no later than 6:00 o'clock p.m. on Saturday, the 1st day of March 2008.

Sincerely,
JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

February 10, 2008

UNITED STATE OF AMERICA
STATE OF LOUISIANA
Secretary of State

February 6, 2008

As Secretary of State, of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby Certify that the attached pages contain a true and correct copy of the Proclamation by His Excellency, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated February 4, 2008, amending and supplementing certain items to be considered at the Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened at 6:00 o'clock p.m. on the tenth day of February, 2008, and adjourn, not later than 6:00 o'clock p.m. of the first day of March, 2008.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on, this, the 6th day of February, 2008.

JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

STATE OF LOUISIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION NO. 4 BJ 2008

By virtue of the authority vested in me, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the state of Louisiana, HEREBY AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CERTAIN ITEMS IN THE PROCLAMATION ISSUED ON FEBRUARY 1, 2008, TO CALL AND CONVENE THE LEGISLATURE OF LOUISIANA INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION to convene at the State Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, during twenty-one calendar days, to begin at 6:00 o'clock p.m. on Sunday, the tenth day of February, 2008, and ending no later than 6:00 o'clock p.m. on the 1st day of March, 2008, as follows:

Item No. 2:

(1) prohibiting legislators, their spouses, and businesses in which they own any interest from entering negotiated and competitively bid contracts with the state that are authorized or renewed during the legislator's term of office and for one year thereafter, excluding retail transactions for less than \$2,500; [and]

(8) prohibiting statewide elected officials, executive branch department heads, and legislators from performing lobbying services as a "consultant" or otherwise during their term of service and for one year thereafter.

Item No. 4:

(16) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Louisiana requiring that public servants convicted of a crime related to their public office forfeit the tax-payer portion of their pension.

Item No. 6:

To legislate relative to:

(1) enabling the Office of Inspector General by statute;

(2) granting authority to local inspectors general and ethical governing bodies to issue and enforce subpoenas in state court and providing for confidentiality during investigations by such;

(3) expanding whistleblower protection to prohibit threats of reprisal to public servants; and

(4) authorizing qui tam incentives and standing to citizens to pursue public fraud cases when the state refuses to act.

Item No. 7:

(9) identifying the permissible sources for the payment of fines.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 4th day of February, 2008.

BOBBY JINDAL
Governor of Louisiana

Attest by
JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

STATE OF LOUISIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION NO. 5 BJ 2008

By virtue of the authority vested in me, I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the state of Louisiana, HEREBY AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CERTAIN ITEMS IN THE PROCLAMATION ISSUED ON FEBRUARY 1, 2008, TO CALL AND CONVENE THE LEGISLATURE OF LOUISIANA INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION to convene at the State Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, during twenty-one calendar days, to begin at 6:00 o'clock p.m. on Sunday, the tenth day of February, 2008, and ending no later than 6:00 o'clock p.m. on the 1st day of March, 2008, as follows:

Item No. 3:

(6) restricting spending on public servants by lobbyists and prohibited sources to \$50 per meal on food and beverages per public servant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 4th day of February, 2008.

BOBBY JINDAL
Governor of Louisiana

Attest by
JAY DARDENNE
Secretary of State

Messages from the President of the Senate

The following messages from the President of the Senate were received and read as follows:

SENATE

State of Louisiana

January 15, 2008

Louisiana State Senate
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

RE: Select Committee Appointments

Members of the Senate:

In accordance with Senate Rule 13.20 following appointments are submitted for the record:

Select Committee on Coastal Restoration and Flood Control

Sen. Alario, Chairman
Sen. Nick Gautreaux, Vice Chairman
Sen. Crowe
Sen. Dupre
Sen. Butch Gautreaux
Sen. Hebert
Sen. Morrish
Sen. Mount
Sen. Marionneaux, ex-officio
Sen. Michot, ex-officio

Select Committee on Consumer Affairs and Technology

Sen. Crowe, Chairman
Sen. Adley, Vice Chairman
Sen. Duplessis
Sen. Erdey
Sen. Butch Gautreaux
Sen. Nick Gautreaux
Sen. Marionneaux
Sen. Michot

Select Committee on Homeland Security

Sen. Walsworth, Chairman
Sen. Shaw, Vice Chairman
Sen. Amedee
Sen. Butch Gautreaux
Sen. Long
Sen. Riser
Sen. Thompson

Select Committee on Oversight of the Greater New Orleans

Expressway

Sen. Heitmeier, Chairman
Sen. Quinn, Vice Chair
Sen. Crowe
Sen. Donahue
Sen. Martiny
Sen. Murray
Sen. Nevers
Sen. Scalise

Select Committee on Vocational and Technical Education

Sen. Nick Gautreaux, Chairman
Sen. Erdey, Vice Chairman
Sen. Adley
Sen. Cravins
Sen. Dupre
Sen. Gray
Sen. Hebert
Sen. Murray
Sen. Nevers

Select Committee on Women and Children

Sen. Jackson, Chair
Sen. Cheek, Vice Chair
Sen. Broome
Sen. Dorsey
Sen. Duplessis
Sen. Gray
Sen. Mount
Sen. Quinn

Sincerely,
JOEL T. CHAISSON II
President of the Senate

SENATE

State of Louisiana

January 15, 2008

Louisiana State Senate
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

RE: Standing Committee Appointments

Members of the Senate:

In accordance with Senate Rule 13.1 and 13.2 following appointments are submitted for the record:

Committee on Agriculture, Aquaculture and Rural Development

Sen. Thompson, Chairman
Sen. Walsworth, Vice Chairman
Sen. Long
Sen. McPherson
Sen. Nevers
Sen. Riser
Sen. Smith

Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs

Sen. Duplessis, Chair
Sen. Crowe, Vice Chairman
Sen. Alario
Sen. Nick Gautreaux
Sen. Marionneaux
Sen. Michot
Sen. Scalise

Committee on Education

Sen. Nevers, Chairman
Sen. LaFleur, Vice Chairman
Sen. Cassidy
Sen. Donahue
Sen. Dorsey
Sen. Duplessis
Sen. Long

Committee on Environmental Quality

Sen. Hebert, Chairman
Sen. Cheek, Vice Chair
Sen. Cassidy
Sen. Gray
Sen. Morrish
Sen. Shaw
Sen. Shepherd

Committee on Finance

Sen. Michot, Chairman
Sen. Jackson, Vice Chair
Sen. Alario
Sen. Broome
Sen. Cheek
Sen. Donahue
Sen. Nick Gautreaux
Sen. LaFleur
Sen. Murray
Sen. Smith
Sen. Walsworth
Sen. Long, Interim member
Sen. Mount, Interim member
Sen. Thompson, Interim member

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Committee on Health and Welfare

Sen. Mount, Chair
Sen. Cassidy, Vice Chairman
Sen. Cheek
Sen. Erdey
Sen. Gray
Sen. Heitmeier
Sen. Nevers

Committee on Insurance

Sen. Cravins, Chairman
Sen. Long, Vice Chairman
Sen. Dupre
Sen. Hebert
Sen. LaFleur
Sen. Morrish
Sen. Quinn
Sen. Murray, Interim member

Committee on Judiciary A

Sen. Quinn, Chair
Sen. Donahue, Vice Chairman
Sen. Dupre
Sen. Nick Gautreaux
Sen. Kostelka
Sen. Michot
Sen. Murray

Committee on Judiciary B

Sen. Martiny, Chairman
Sen. Heitmeier, Vice Chairman
Sen. Cravins
Sen. Erdey
Sen. Butch Gautreaux
Sen. LaFleur
Sen. Marionneaux

Committee on Judiciary C

Sen. Amedee, Chairman
Sen. Dorsey, Vice Chair
Sen. Crowe
Sen. Duplessis
Sen. Jackson
Sen. Mount
Sen. Scalise

Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

Sen. Scalise, Chairman
Sen. Riser, Vice Chairman
Sen. Marionneaux
Sen. Martiny
Sen. Murray
Sen. Thompson
Sen. Walsworth

Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs

Sen. Shepherd, Chairman
Sen. Gray, Vice Chair
Sen. Cheek
Sen. Cravins
Sen. Crowe
Sen. Jackson
Sen. Quinn

Committee on Natural Resources

Sen. Dupre, Chairman
Sen. Morrish, Vice Chairman
Sen. Amedee
Sen. Nick Gautreaux
Sen. Hebert
Sen. Michot
Sen. Smith

Committee on Retirement

Sen. Butch Gautreaux, Chairman
Sen. Cravins, Vice Chairman
Sen. Cassidy
Sen. Crowe
Sen. Hebert
Sen. Scalise
Sen. Shepherd

Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs

Sen. Marionneaux, Chairman
Sen. Adley, Vice Chairman
Sen. Dorsey
Sen. Dupre
Sen. Erdey
Sen. Gray
Sen. Kostelka
Sen. Long
Sen. Morrish
Sen. Riser
Sen. Shaw
Sen. Butch Gautreaux, Interim member

Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs

Sen. Kostelka, Chairman
Sen. Smith, Vice Chairman
Sen. Amedee
Sen. Donahue
Sen. Jackson
Sen. Murray
Sen. Walsworth

Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Sen. McPherson, Chairman
Sen. Erdey, Vice Chairman
Sen. Adley
Sen. Butch Gautreaux
Sen. Heitmeier
Sen. Mount
Sen. Shaw

Sincerely,
JOEL T. CHAISSON II
President of the Senate

Rules Suspended

Senator Broome asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of taking up at this time.

Introduction of Senate Resolutions

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1

BY SENATOR BROOME

A RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Louisiana that a committee of five be appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate is now duly convened and organized and prepared to transact such business as may be brought before it.

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

In compliance with the resolution the President of the Senate appointed the following committee:

Senators Alario, Thompson, Smith, Dorsey and Martiny.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2

BY SENATOR BROOME

A RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Louisiana that a committee of five be appointed to act with such a committee as the House of Representatives may appoint to notify the Governor that the Legislature is now duly convened and organized and prepared to receive such communication as he may desire to lay before it.

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

In compliance with the resolution the President of the Senate appointed the following committee:

Senators Adley, Donahue, Heitmeier, Riser and Long.

Reports of Committees

The committee appointed to notify the Governor that the Senate had convened and was prepared to transact business reported it had performed that duty. The President of the Senate thanked the Committee and discharged it.

The committee appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate had convened and was prepared to transact business reported it had performed that duty. The President of the Senate thanked the Committee and discharged it.

Committee from the House of Representatives

A committee from the House of Representatives appeared before the Bar of the Senate and informed the Senate that the House of Representatives was organized and ready to proceed with business.

Prefiled Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions to be Referred

The following prefiled Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions were introduced, read by title and referred to committees.

SENATE BILL NO. 1—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CRAVINS, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1113(D)(1) and 1114.3 and to enact R.S. 42:1113(D)(2)(g) and (h), (3), and (4), relative to conflicts of interest; to provide relative to certain contracts involving certain public servants and certain affiliated persons and entities; to provide restrictions on certain contracts; to provide for disclosure relative to certain contracts; to provide exceptions and waivers; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 2—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CRAVINS, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1111(E)(1), relative to conflicts of interest; to prohibit certain public servants from receiving or agreeing to receive any thing of economic value for assistance to persons in certain transactions related to lobbying; to prohibit certain former public servants from receiving compensation for

assistance to persons in certain transactions related to lobbying; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 3—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CRAVINS, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:51(2) and R.S. 49:72(5) and to repeal R.S. 42:1123(13), relative to the Code of Governmental Ethics; to repeal certain exceptions relative to the acceptance by an elected official of certain things of economic value for certain cultural or sporting events; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 4—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CRAVINS, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article X, Section 21 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to provide relative to exceptions to the code of ethics; to require the approval of two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the legislature to enact an exception to any provision of the code of ethics; to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 5—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CRAVINS, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1112(A), the introductory paragraph of R.S. 42:1112(B), and 1120, relative to recusal from voting for certain elected officials; to eliminate authorization for certain elected officials to vote upon certain matters which would otherwise present a conflict of interest; to require filing of a statement of recusal; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 6—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, JACKSON, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARIONNEAU, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:463(B) and R.S. 42:1124, 1124.1(A)(2), and 1157(A)(4)(a), to enact R.S. 42:1124.2, and to repeal R.S. 42:1114.1, relative to financial disclosure; to require certain disclosures by certain public servants; to require certain disclosures by candidates for certain offices; to provide for the content of such disclosures; to provide for certain actions by the Board of Ethics relative to such disclosures; to remove certain specific financial disclosure provisions applicable to members of the legislature; to provide for penalties; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 7—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, JACKSON, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARIONNEAUX, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:463(B) and R.S. 42:1124, 1124.1(A)(2), 1157(A)(4)(a), and 1167, to enact R.S. 42:1124.2, and to repeal R.S. 42:1114.1, relative to financial disclosure; to require certain disclosures by certain public servants; to require certain disclosures by candidates for certain offices; to provide for the content of such disclosures; to provide for certain actions by the Board of Ethics relative to such disclosures; to remove certain specific financial disclosure provisions applicable to members of the legislature; to provide for penalties; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 8—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CRAVINS, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARIONNEAUX, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1115.1, relative to the acceptance of food, drink or refreshments by public servants; to limit the value of food, drink or refreshments acceptable by public servants per occasion from certain sources; to provide for annual increases in the food, drink or refreshment limit based on increases in the consumer price index; to provide for the duties of the Board of Ethics; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 9—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CRAVINS, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARIONNEAUX, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:55(B) and (E), and R.S. 49:76(B) and (E), all relative to expenditures on public servants and the reporting of such expenditures by lobbyists; to provide for monthly reporting of expenditures by lobbyists; to provide for the reporting of monthly aggregate expenditures by lobbyists; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 10—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CRAVINS, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARIONNEAUX, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 24:56(H), (I), and (J), and R.S. 49:78.1(E), (F), and (G), relative to lobbyists; to prohibit contingency contracts; to prohibit false or misleading statements; to prohibit the instigation of legislation so as to lobby such legislation; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 11—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK, CRAVINS, CROWE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY, B. GAUTREAU, N. GAUTREAU, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA, LONG, MARIONNEAUX, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE, SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:51(2), 53(A), (G) and (H), 54(A)(2), 55(B), (C) and (D), and R.S. 49:72(5), 74(A), (E) and (F), 75(A)(2), 76(B), (C) and (D) and to enact R.S. 24:57(3) and (4), and 58(D)(3), (4) and (5), and R.S. 49:77(4) and (5), and 78(D)(3),(4) and (5), relative to lobbying; to provide relative to legislative lobbying; to provide relative to executive branch lobbying; to provide relative to regulations affecting lobbyist; to provide relative to restrictions affecting lobbyists; to provide relative to the electronic filing of registrations and expenditure reports; to require certain information relative to lobbyist registrations; to provide relative to the content of expenditure reports; to provide for monthly filing of expenditure reports; to provide for the electronic storage and access of filings; to provide for the definition of a statewide elected official; to provide for the definition of a executive branch department head; to provide inaccurate or incomplete filings; to provide for failure to amend a registration or expenditure report; to provide for the filing of a false statement or false representation of a material fact; to provide for fines; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 12—

BY SENATORS MICHOT, CHEEK AND B. GAUTREAU

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:463(B) and R.S. 42:1114.1 and 1124(A), relative to financial disclosure; to require certain disclosures by legislators; to require certain disclosures by candidates for legislator; to provide for the content of such disclosures; to require certain disclosures by statewide elected officials; to require certain disclosures by candidates for statewide elective office; to require certain disclosures by members of the Board of Ethics; to provide for the duties of the Board of Ethics relative to such disclosures; to provide for penalties; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 13—

BY SENATOR MURRAY

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article IV, Section 8 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to powers and duties of the attorney general; to provide relative to the prosecution of certain crimes; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 14—

BY SENATOR MARIONNEAUX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1463(C)(2) and (3) and (E) and 1505.3(D)(3) and to enact R.S. 18:1463(F), relative to political advertisements; to require certain statements involving authorized and unauthorized communications paid by certain persons; to provide for certain requirements with respect to oral, visual, and written material constituting a paid political advertisement distributed on behalf of a candidate for political office; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 15—
BY SENATOR SCALISE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the title of Subpart L of Part II of Chapter 4 of Subtitle I of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, and to enact R.S. 11:293, relative to public retirement or pension benefits; to provide relative to the loss of the right to receive payment of retirement or pension benefits; to provide circumstances under which certain retirement or pension benefits shall be forfeited; to provide that final conviction of certain felonies associated with public service shall operate to cause automatic forfeiture of such benefits; to specify the felonies for which such forfeiture is mandatory; to provide for notice of conviction, calculation of survivor benefits, and refund of employee contributions; to provide relative to the effect of pardons on such forfeiture; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Broome, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SENATE BILL NO. 16—
BY SENATOR SCALISE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the title of Subpart L of Part II of Chapter 4 of Subtitle I of Title 11 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, and to enact R.S. 11:293, relative to public retirement or pension benefits; to provide relative to the loss of the right to receive payment of pension or retirement benefits; to provide circumstances under which certain retirement or pension benefits shall be forfeited; to provide that final conviction of certain felonies associated with public service shall operate to cause automatic forfeiture of such benefits; to specify the felonies for which such forfeiture is mandatory; to provide for notice of conviction, calculation of survivor benefits, and refund of employee contributions; to provide relative to the effect of pardons on such forfeiture; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Broome, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SENATE BILL NO. 17—
BY SENATOR SCALISE AND REPRESENTATIVE HENRY
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article I, Section 4(D) and Article X, Section 29(A), (B), and (E)(5), relative to public retirement or pension benefits; to provide relative to the right to receive such benefits; to allow forfeiture of certain accrued benefits of an elected or appointed official or public employee who is a member of a Louisiana public retirement or pension system, plan, or fund who is convicted of a felony associated with the public service for which benefits in such system, plan, or fund accrued; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and to provide a ballot proposition.

On motion of Senator Broome, the bill was read by title and referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SENATE BILL NO. 18—
BY SENATOR SCALISE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(31) and to enact R.S. 36:4(I) and Part VI of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 49:220.21 through 220.25, relative to the creation of the office of the state inspector general; to provide for the appointment, term of office, powers, duties, and functions of the inspector general; to provide for staffing and funding of the office; to authorize the inspector general to examine, investigate, and make recommendations

with respect to the prevention and detection of waste, inefficiencies, mismanagement, misconduct, abuse, fraud, and corruption in all entities in the executive branch of state government and other covered entities; to provide for the assistance and cooperation of entities in the executive branch of state government and other covered entities; to provide for confidentiality of certain records; to provide for referral of the results of investigations of criminal matters to the appropriate authorities for prosecution; to provide for reports by the inspector general; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 19—
BY SENATOR NEVERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:50, 51(2), 53(B), and 54(A)(1), and R.S. 49:71, 72(5), 74(B), and 75(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 24:56(H) and R.S. 49:78.1(E), and to repeal R.S. 24:55, R.S. 42:1123(13) and (16), and R.S. 49:76, relative to expenditures by a lobbyist, to provide for definitions, to provide for expenditures by legislative or executive lobbyist; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 20—
BY SENATOR NEVERS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1116(D), relative to conflicts of interest; to prohibit any elected official from qualifying for another elected office while holding such office; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 21—
BY SENATOR MCPHERSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:55(D) and (E), relative to public officials; to provide for reporting of certain things of economic value expended on behalf of certain public officials; to provide relative to reporting of certain expenditures; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 22—
BY SENATOR NEVERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1113(D)(1)(a), relative to prohibited contractual arrangements; to provide for a prohibition against legislators and certain other elected officials from entering into certain contracts with the state and political subdivisions thereof; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 23—
BY SENATOR NEVERS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:1505.2(U), relative to the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act; to provide for prohibited practices; to prohibit appointment or nomination of campaign contributors; to provide penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

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SENATE BILL NO. 24—
BY SENATOR NEVERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:51(2) and R.S. 49:72(5), to enact R.S. 42:1116.1, and to repeal R.S. 42:1123(13), relative to the Code of Governmental Ethics; to provide relative to gifts and preferential treatment of public servants; to repeal provisions relative to an elected official's authorization to accept certain gifts; to prohibit certain preferential treatment of public servants; to provide terms and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

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

Rules Suspended

Senator Dupre asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules for the purpose of taking up at this time.

Introduction of
Senate Concurrent Resolutions

Senator Broome 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. 1—
BY SENATOR BROOME

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To invite the Honorable Bobby Jindal, Governor of Louisiana, to address a joint session of the legislature.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Duplessis	Marionneaux
Adley	Dupre	Martiny
Alario	Erdey	McPherson
Amedee	Gautreaux B	Morrish
Broome	Gautreaux N	Murray
Cassidy	Gray	Nevers
Cheek	Hebert	Riser
Cravins	Jackson	Scalise
Crowe	Kostelka	Shaw
Donahue	Long	Walsworth
Total - 30		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Dorsey	Michot	Shepherd
Heitmeier	Mount	Smith
LaFleur	Quinn	Thompson
Total - 9		

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

Motion

Senator Broome moved that the Senate proceed to the House of Representatives to meet in Joint Session.

Joint Session of the Legislature

The joint session of the legislature was called to order at 6:35 P.M. by the Honorable Joel T. Chaisson II, President of the Senate.

On motion of Senator Broome, the calling of the roll on the part of the Senate was dispensed with.

On motion of Representative Peterson, the calling of the roll on the part of the House was dispensed with.

The President of the Senate appointed the following special committee to escort the Honorable Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, to the joint session.

On the part of the Senate: Senators Michot, Butch Gautreaux, Marionneaux, Nick Gautreaux, Amedee, and Dupre.

On the part of the House: Representatives Jane Smith, St. Germain, Robideaux, Austin Badon, and Ritchie.

A prayer was offered by Reverend Allen Robertson.

The Honorable Mitch Landrieu, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Louisiana, led the joint session in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The President of the Senate introduced the Honorable Bobby Jindal, who addressed the joint session of the legislature.

On motion of Senator Broome, the Senate retired to its own chamber.

After Joint Session

ROLL CALL

The Senate was called to order by the President of the Senate with the following Senators present:

PRESENT

Mr. President	Dupre	McPherson
Adley	Erdey	Michot
Alario	Gautreaux B	Morrish
Amedee	Gautreaux N	Murray
Broome	Gray	Nevers
Cassidy	Hebert	Riser
Cheek	Heitmeier	Scalise
Cravins	Jackson	Shaw
Crowe	Kostelka	Shepherd
Donahue	Long	Smith
Dorsey	Marionneaux	Thompson
Duplessis	Martiny	Walsworth
Total - 36		

ABSENT

LaFleur	Mount	Quinn
Total - 3		

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

Senate Business Resumed
After Joint Session

Prefiled Senate Bills and
Joint Resolutions to be Referred, Resumed

The following prefiled Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions were introduced, read by title and referred to committees.

SENATE BILL NO. 25—
BY SENATOR NEVERS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1119.1, relative to ethical standards for public servants; to provide for conflicts of interest by elected officials; to prohibit appointment or nomination of campaign contributors; to provide penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 26—
BY SENATOR ADLEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:463(B) and R.S. 42:1114.1 and 1124(A) and to enact R.S. 42:1114.4, relative to financial disclosure; to require certain disclosures by members of the legislature; to require certain disclosures by candidates for the state legislature; to provide for the content of such disclosures; to require certain disclosures by statewide elected officials; to require certain disclosures by members of the Louisiana Board of Ethics and the ethics administrator; to require certain disclosures by candidates for statewide elective office; to require all other elected officials to file certain disclosures; to provide for the content of such disclosures; to provide for the duties of the Board of Ethics relative to such disclosures; to provide for penalties; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 27—
BY SENATOR MCPHERSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:51(2) and to repeal R.S. 42:1123(13), relative to the Code of Governmental Ethics; relative to public officers and employees; to repeal provisions authorizing an elected official to receive certain gifts; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 28—BY SENATORS MICHOT, CHEEK AND B. GAUTREAUX
AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 24:53(A), 53(A)(3) and (4), (B), (G), (H) and (I), 54(A), and the introductory paragraph of 55(B) and 55(C) and (D)(1), and the introductory paragraph of R.S. 49:74(A), 74(A)(3) and (4), (B), (E), (F) and (G), 75(A), the introductory paragraph of 76(B) and 76(C) and (D)(1) and to enact R.S. 24:53(A)(5) and (6) and R.S. 49:74(A)(5) and (6); relative to lobbying; to provide for regulation of lobbyists; to provide for the registration of lobbyist; to provide for the reporting requirements of lobbyists; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 29—BY SENATOR MARIONNEAUX
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1483(14)(b) and to enact R.S. 18:1483(14)(c) and 1501.2, relative to campaign finance; to define certain political organizations to be included as political committees for purposes of filing campaign finance reports; to provide for reporting by such political organizations of campaign contributions and expenditures; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 30—BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHAISSON,
DONAHUE, JACKSON, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1125(A) and (D), relative to transition of governor-elect; to establish a contribution limit made to and accepted by the governor-elect's transition team; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 31—BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHAISSON,
DONAHUE, JACKSON, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1491.7(B)(4)(a), 1495.5(B)(4)(a), and 1501.1(C)(1), relative to campaign finance; to require that the name of the employer of certain contributors be included on campaign finance reports when reporting such contributions; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 32—BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHAISSON,
DONAHUE, JACKSON, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:463(C), (D), (E), and (F), and to enact R.S. 18:463(G), relative to candidates; to require candidates for certain offices to certify to participate in ethics education and training; to provide for the reporting of ethics education and training; to provide penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 33—BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHAISSON,
DONAHUE, JACKSON, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:461(B), and 463(A)(2)(a) and (b), and to enact R.S. 18:461(C), 464(I), and 1511.3(F), all relative to fees for qualifying for certain offices in a primary election; to prohibit persons seeking public office from qualifying who have certain outstanding fines, fees or penalties assessed by the Board of Ethics; to require a person to pay to the qualifying official at the time of qualifying for a primary election all of his outstanding fines, fees or penalties assessed by the Board of Ethics; to provide for applicability; to provide for the duties and responsibilities of the qualifying official; to provide a procedure for payments made under contest; to provide for the duties and responsibilities of the Board of Ethics; to provide for the duties of the Supervisory Committee on Campaign Finance Disclosure; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 34—BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHAISSON,
DONAHUE, JACKSON, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:1505.2(I)(4), relative to election campaign finance; to provide relative to permitted use of contributions to election campaigns; to prohibit use of election campaign contributions to pay family members; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

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SENATE BILL NO. 35—
BY SENATORS CHAISSON, AMEDEE, BROOME, DONAHUE, JACKSON,
KOSTELKA, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1117.1, relative to the Code of Governmental
Ethics; to prohibit the use of certain actions or methods to
circumvent the provisions of the Code of Governmental Ethics;
to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 36—
BY SENATORS CHAISSON, AMEDEE, BROOME, DONAHUE, JACKSON,
KOSTELKA, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:31.2, relative to public records; to
authorize the attorney general to mediate public records
disputes; to provide for such mediation and the effect of such a
mediation; to require participation by public bodies and officers
in such a mediation; to provide for the promulgation of certain
rules and procedures; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 37—
BY SENATORS CHAISSON, AMEDEE, BROOME, DONAHUE, JACKSON,
KOSTELKA, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 39:87.7, relative to the commissioner of administration;
to require the commissioner of administration to establish and
maintain a website to post reports of state spending; to provide
for the contents of the website; and to provide for related
matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 38—
BY SENATORS CHAISSON, AMEDEE, BROOME, DONAHUE, JACKSON,
KOSTELKA, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 39:1561(C), relative to the commissioner of
administration; to provide for the creation and maintenance of
the "Louisiana Electronic Catalog"; to provide for its contents;
to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related
matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 39—
BY SENATORS CHAISSON, AMEDEE, BROOME, DONAHUE, JACKSON,
KOSTELKA, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:13 and R.S. 44:37, relative to penalties
for violations of laws relative to access to the business of public
bodies; to provide relative to civil and criminal penalties for
violations of laws relative to meetings of public bodies and
public records; to provide for discipline and termination or
removal of public employees and certain public officials for
certain violations of such laws; and to provide for related
matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 40—
BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHAISSON,
DONAHUE, JACKSON, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1169(H), relative to prohibited actions against
public employees who report acts of impropriety within
governmental entities; to include threats of reprisal as prohibited

reprisal against such employees; to define threat; and to provide
for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 41—
BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHAISSON,
DONAHUE, JACKSON, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 18 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of
1950, to be comprised of R.S. 49:1151 through 1161, relative to
the Louisiana False Claims Act; to prohibit false claims; to
define terms; to provide for civil penalties; to provide for the
authority and responsibilities of the attorney general; to
authorize qui tam actions by citizens to pursue certain fraud
cases; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 42—
BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHAISSON,
DONAHUE, JACKSON, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:801.1(A) and R.S. 44:4.1(B)(31) and
to enact R.S. 36:4(I) and Part VI of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the
Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S.
49:220.11 through 220.16, relative to the creation of the office
of the state inspector general; to provide for the appointment,
term of office, powers, duties, and functions of the inspector
general; to provide for the procedure for the appointment of the
inspector general; to provide for staffing and funding of the
office; to authorize the inspector general to examine, investigate,
and make recommendations with respect to the prevention and
detection of waste, inefficiencies, mismanagement, misconduct,
abuse, fraud, and corruption in all entities in the executive
branch of state government and other covered agencies; to
provide for the assistance and cooperation of such covered
agencies; to provide for confidentiality of certain records; to
provide for referral of the results of investigations of criminal
matters to the appropriate authorities for prosecution; to provide
for reports by the inspector general; and to provide for related
matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 43—
BY SENATORS KOSTELKA, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHAISSON,
DONAHUE, JACKSON, JOHN SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(18) and to enact Chapter 44 of
Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, consisting of
R.S. 33:9611 through 9616, relative to the ethics administration
by municipalities; to authorize and provide for local ethics
entities, ethics review boards, and offices of inspector general in
certain municipalities; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 44—
BY SENATORS CHAISSON, ALARIO, AMEDEE, BROOME, CHEEK,
CRAVINS, CROWE, DONAHUE, DORSEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ERDEY,
B. GAUTREAUX, N. GAUTREAUX, HEBERT, HEITMEIER, KOSTELKA,
LONG, MARTINY, MICHOT, MOUNT, NEVERS, QUINN, RISER, SCALISE,
SHAW, SHEPHERD, JOHN SMITH, THOMPSON AND WALSWORTH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1111(E), relative to conflicts of
interest; to prohibit certain public servants from receiving or
agreeing to receive any thing of economic value for assisting
persons in certain transactions; to prohibit certain former public
servants from receiving or agreeing to receive any thing of
economic value for assisting persons in certain transactions; to

provide for exceptions; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 45—
BY SENATOR MCPHERSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:55(A), (D)(1), (E), (F)(2), (F)(3), (G)(2) and R.S. 42:1115(B) and to enact R.S. 42:1114.4, relative to public officers and employees; to provide for certain lobbyist expenditure reports; to require certain disclosures by lobbyists and members of the legislature of monies spent on behalf of a legislator; to prohibit certain gifts to public servants; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 46—
BY SENATOR ADLEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1505.2(J)(1) and to enact R.S. 18:1505.2(I)(4), relative to election campaign finance; to provide relative to certain election campaign finance expenditures; to require any legislator who receives compensation for services related to another candidate's campaign to report such receipt and the amount thereof on an annual basis; to provide penalties for failure to submit such report; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 47—
BY SENATOR ADLEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1501.1(A) and 1511.6(A) and to enact R.S. 18:1483(9.1), 1505.2(U), and 1505.6(D), relative to election campaign finance; to provide relative to reports by persons not candidates or committees; to provide relative to prohibited practices and limitations; to prohibit legislators from receiving certain compensation from candidates or committees; to provide relative to criminal penalties for violations of election campaign finance law; to provide penalties for engaging in prohibited practices or for failure to submit certain information to candidates or committees; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**Introduction of Senate Bills
and Joint Resolutions**

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

SENATE BILL NO. 48—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:119(B), relative to offenses affecting organized government; to provide relative to the crime of bribery of voters; to provide for the increased penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 49—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:135(B), relative to official misconduct and corrupt practices; to provide relative to the crime of public salary deduction; to provide for the increase of penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 50—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:136(B), relative to official misconduct and corrupt practices; to provide relative to the crime of public salary extortion; to provide for the increase of penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 51—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:134, relative to official misconduct and corrupt practices; to provide relative to the crime of malfeasance in office; to provide for the increase in penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 52—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:139(2), relative to official misconduct and corrupt practices; to provide relative to the crime of political payroll padding; to provide for the increase of penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 53—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:120, relative to offenses affecting organized government; to provide relative to the crime of corrupt influencing; to provide for the increase of penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 54—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:118(C), relative to bribery and intimidation; to provide relative to the crime of public bribery; to provide for the increase of penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 55—
BY SENATOR MURRAY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:138(C), relative to official misconduct and corrupt practices; to provide relative to the crime of public payroll fraud; to provide for the increase of penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

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SENATE BILL NO. 56—
BY SENATOR ADLEY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1121.2, relative to conflicts of interest; to prohibit a former public servant from being employed by or entering into a contractual agreement with certain persons or entities with which he has participated in a transaction involving the public servant's agency for a period of time after termination of public service; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 57—
BY SENATOR ADLEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1121(A)(1), relative to conflicts of interest; to prohibit assistance to certain persons by certain public servants within two years after termination of public service; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 58—
BY SENATOR MARTINY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:134.3, relative to official misconduct and corrupt practices; to provide for the crime of abuse of office; to provide for the prosecution of such crime; to provide penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 59—
BY SENATOR MARTINY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:139.3, relative to official misconduct and corrupt practices; to create the crime of concealment of a financial conflict of interest by a legislator; to provide for definitions; to provide for the prosecution of such crime; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 60—
BY SENATOR MARTINY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:139.3, relative to official misconduct and corrupt practices; to create the crime of concealment of a financial conflict of interest by an elected official; to provide for definitions; to provide for the prosecution of such crime; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 61—
BY SENATOR MARTINY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:118(C), relative to bribery and intimidation; to provide relative to the crime of public bribery; to provide for the increase of penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 62—
BY SENATOR MARTINY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:119(B), relative to offenses affecting organized government; to provide relative to the crime of bribery of voters; to provide for the increased penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 63—
BY SENATOR MARTINY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:120, relative to offenses affecting organized government; to provide relative to the crime of corrupt influencing; to provide for the increase of penalties for such crime; and to provide for related matters.

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

**Introduction of Resolutions,
Senate and Concurrent**

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3—

BY SENATORS CHAISSON, DUPRE AND MICHOT

A RESOLUTION

To amend and readopt Senate Rule 13.4(13) and (17), relative to jurisdiction of standing committees; to provide for jurisdiction of the Natural Resources Committee, and to transfer standing committee jurisdiction of certain matters from the Transportation, Highways and Public Works Committee to the Natural Resources Committee.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4—

BY SENATOR MICHOT

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Leonard Joseph "Lenny" Hensgens.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—

BY SENATOR MURRAY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create a special committee to study heirship property and to develop recommendations for facilitating the ability of co-owners of heirship property to make their titles merchantable; to review the rights and obligations of co-owners of heirship property in order to prevent undue hardship resulting from partition sales; and to review the costs of probate and of intrafamily transfers of real estate to determine whether such costs might be reduced for co-owners and heirs of property with a small value.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—

BY SENATOR ALARIO

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the Congress of the United States to review and consider eliminating 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.

On motion of Senator Broome, the resolution was read by title and referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—
 BY SENATOR CROWE AND REPRESENTATIVE WOOTON
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the South Plaquemines High School Hurricanes football team for winning the Class 1A State Football Championships.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Dupre	McPherson
Adley	Erdey	Michot
Alario	Gautreaux B	Morrish
Broome	Gautreaux N	Murray
Cassidy	Gray	Nevers
Cheek	Heitmeier	Riser
Cravins	Jackson	Scalise
Crowe	Kostelka	Shaw
Donahue	Long	Shepherd
Dorsey	Marionneaux	Smith
Duplessis	Martiny	Walsworth
Total - 33		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Amedee	LaFleur	Quinn
Hebert	Mount	Thompson
Total - 6		

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

**CONCURRING IN
 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

February 10, 2008

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. 1—
 BY SENATOR BROOME
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To invite the Honorable Bobby Jindal, Governor of Louisiana, to address a joint session of the legislature.

Reported without amendments.

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

Message from the House

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN
 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

February 10, 2008

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 TUCKER, PETERSON, AND CARTER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the LSU Tigers football team and Coach Les Miles upon winning the 2007 Bowl Championship Series national championship.

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

To commend Centenary College of Louisiana upon the occasion of Founders' Day and the celebration of its first one hundred years of excellence in the Shreveport-Bossier community.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—
 BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLS AND SENATOR HEBERT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Jefferson J. DeBlanc, Medal of Honor recipient, of St. Martinville.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—
 BY REPRESENTATIVE CARTER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Gustave Anthony "Gus" Piazza, Sr., of Baton Rouge.

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

House Concurrent Resolutions

Senator Broome 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 of Representatives with a view of acting on same:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—
 BY REPRESENTATIVES TUCKER, PETERSON, AND CARTER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the LSU Tigers football team and Coach Les Miles upon winning the 2007 Bowl Championship Series national championship.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Dupre	McPherson
Adley	Erdey	Michot
Alario	Gautreaux B	Morrish
Amedee	Gautreaux N	Murray
Broome	Gray	Nevers
Cassidy	Hebert	Riser

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Cheek	Heitmeier	Scalise
Cravins	Jackson	Shaw
Crowe	Kostelka	Shepherd
Donahue	Long	Smith
Dorsey	Marionneaux	Walsworth
Duplessis	Martiny	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

LaFleur	Quinn
Mount	Thompson
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. 2—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BURRELL
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Centenary College of Louisiana upon the occasion of Founders' Day and the celebration of its first one hundred years of excellence in the Shreveport-Bossier community.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Dupre	McPherson
Adley	Erdey	Michot
Alario	Gautreaux B	Morrish
Amedee	Gautreaux N	Murray
Broome	Gray	Nevers
Cassidy	Hebert	Riser
Cheek	Heitmeier	Scalise
Cravins	Jackson	Shaw
Crowe	Kostelka	Shepherd
Donahue	Long	Smith
Dorsey	Marionneaux	Walsworth
Duplessis	Martiny	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

LaFleur	Quinn
Mount	Thompson
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 MILLS AND SENATOR HEBERT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Jefferson J. DeBlanc, Medal of Honor recipient, of St. Martinville.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Dupre	McPherson
Adley	Erdey	Michot
Alario	Gautreaux B	Morrish
Amedee	Gautreaux N	Murray
Broome	Gray	Nevers
Cassidy	Hebert	Riser
Cheek	Heitmeier	Scalise
Cravins	Jackson	Shaw
Crowe	Kostelka	Shepherd
Donahue	Long	Smith
Dorsey	Marionneaux	Walsworth
Duplessis	Martiny	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

LaFleur	Quinn
Mount	Thompson
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. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARTER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Gustave Anthony "Gus" Piazza, Sr., of Baton Rouge.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Dupre	McPherson
Adley	Erdey	Michot
Alario	Gautreaux B	Morrish
Amedee	Gautreaux N	Murray
Broome	Gray	Nevers
Cassidy	Hebert	Riser
Cheek	Heitmeier	Scalise
Cravins	Jackson	Shaw
Crowe	Kostelka	Shepherd
Donahue	Long	Smith
Dorsey	Marionneaux	Walsworth
Duplessis	Martiny	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

LaFleur	Quinn
Mount	Thompson
Total - 4	

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

Leaves of Absence

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Lafleur	1 Day	Mount	1 Day
Quinn	1 Day		

Adjournment

Senator Broome moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday, February 11, 2008, at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned until 5:00 o'clock P.M. on Monday, February 11, 2008.

GLENN A. KOEPP
Secretary of the Senate

LYNDA E. WHEELER
Journal Clerk

