The Senate was called to order at 5:05 o'clock P.M. by Hon. John A. Alario Jr., President of the Senate.

Morning Hour

CONVENING ROLL CALL

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

PRESENТ
Mr. President  Fannin  Mizell
Allain  Gatti  Morrell
Appel  Hewitt  Morrish
Barrow  Johns  Peacock
Boudreaux  LaFleur  Perry
Brown  Lambert  Smith, G.
Carter  Long  Smith, J.
Chabert  Luneau  Tarver
Claitor  Martiny  Thompson
Cortez  Milkovich  Walsworth
Erdey  Mills  Ward

Total - 33

ABSENT
Bishop  Donahue  Riser
Colomb  Peterson  White

Total - 6

The President of the Senate announced there were 33 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Senator Regina Barrow, following which the Senate joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Senator Gatti, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of February 15, 2016, was adopted.

Introduction of Senate Concurrent Resolutions

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—
BY SENATOR GATTI
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To commend and recognize the Steve Hoyle Intensive Substance Abuse Program for its success in shortening the sentences of certain offenders, while better preparing those offenders to reintegrate into their families and communities without a return to substance abuse and incarceration.

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

Senate Resolutions on Second Reading

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4—
BY SENATOR BROWN
A RESOLUTION
To commend Zenobia Bougere Kinsey on the occasion of her eightieth birthday.

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

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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

February 16, 2016

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—
BY SENATORS MORRELL, ALARIO AND LAFLEUR
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To make available for appropriation from the Budget Stabilization Fund the sum of $128,459,663.85 not to exceed one-third of the balance of the Budget Stabilization Fund as of the beginning of Fiscal Year 2015-2016, due to the second reduction of the revenue forecast for the current fiscal year in the amount of $577,300,000 as adopted by the Revenue Estimating Conference at its meeting on February 10, 2016, and as recognized by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget at its meeting on February 13, 2016.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 1—
BY SENATOR MARTINY
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2365.1(A)(5), relative to the definition of a qualified event or qualified major event for purposes of the Major Events Incentive Program; to include a college tournament or championship in the definition of a qualified event or qualified major event; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 4—
BY SENATORS LAFLEUR AND ALARIO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 39:94(A) and the introductory paragraph of (B), relative to the deposit of certain funds into the state general fund; to provide for the deposit of certain economic damages payments received by the state pursuant to the settlement of the Deepwater Horizon litigation; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
ERIC LAFLEUR
Chairman
On motion of Senator LaFleur, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

**SENATE BILL NO. 4—**

**BY SENATORS LAFLEUR AND ALARIO**

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:94(A) and the introductory paragraph of (B), relative to the deposit of certain funds into the state general fund; to provide for the deposit of certain economic damages payments received by the state pursuant to the settlement of the Deepwater Horizon litigation; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Finance.

**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to Original Senate Bill No. 4 by Senator LaFleur

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 1, line 2, change "39:94(A) and the introductory paragraph of (B)" to "39:94(A), the introductory paragraph of (B), and (D), and to enact R.S. 39:91(E)."

**AMENDMENT NO. 2**

On page 2, delete line 9 through 11, and insert the following:

"D. (1) The Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Deficit Elimination Fund, hereinafter referred to as the "fund", is hereby created in the state treasury. After allocation of money to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund as provided in Article VII, Section 9(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, the treasurer shall deposit in and credit to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Deficit Elimination Fund as created in Subsection D of this section, the first two hundred million dollars of the proceeds of the settlement, judgment, or final disposition of the Deepwater Horizon Economic Damages Collection Fund and Redemption Fund as provided in Article VII, Section 9(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, the treasurer shall deposit in and credit to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Deficit Elimination Fund as created in Subsection D of this section, the first two hundred million dollars of the proceeds of the settlement, judgment, or final disposition of the state's economic damages claims asserted in State of Louisiana v. BP Exploration & Production, et al., MDL NO. 2179 (E.D.LA. pending) (hereinafter "DWH litigation") to recover economic damages sustained by the state from the Deepwater Horizon explosion and oil spill that occurred on or about April 20, 2010, at the MC 252 site in the Gulf of Mexico."

On page 2, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:

"(2) All unexpended and unencumbered monies in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Deficit Elimination Fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund. The monies in the fund shall be invested by the state treasurer in the same manner as monies in the state general fund, and interest earned on the investment of monies shall be credited to the fund."

**AMENDMENT NO. 3**

On page 1, line 2, change "39:91(A), the introductory paragraph of (B), and (D), and to enact R.S. 39:91(E)." to "39:91(A), the introductory paragraph of (B), and (D) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 39:91(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:"
To enact R.S. 39:82.1, relative to special treasury funds and dedicated money; to provide for the review and reporting of special funds and statutory dedications, including the means of financing, specifically funds whose primary source of financing is the state general fund, the purpose and use of the monies, and the status and balances of the special funds and dedicated monies; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 10—
BY SENATOR DONAHUE
AN ACT
To enact R.S. 51:1787(K) and 1792, relative to incentive credits and rebates; to provide for a baseline limit on the payment of certain incentive rebates and the use of certain incentive tax credits in a fiscal year; to provide a termination date for entering into Enterprise Zone Program contracts; and to provide for related matters.

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

SENATE BILL NO. 11—
BY SENATOR DONAHUE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact the introductory paragraphs of R.S. 47:6034(C), (C)(1) and (E), R.S. 47:6034(C)(1)(a)(ii)(aa), (bb) and (d), (D)(1), and (K), to enact R.S. 47:6034(L), and to repeal R.S. 47:6034(C)(1)(a)(ii)(bb) as amended by Acts 2015, No. 125, Section 5, relative to income tax credits; to provide a baseline limit on the payment of certain incentive rebates; to provide for a termination date for entering into Enterprise Zone Program contracts; and to provide for related matters.

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

Message from the House
SIGNED HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS
February 16, 2016
To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Speaker of the House of Representatives has signed the following House Concurrent Resolutions:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HOFFMANN AND SENATORS FANNIN, RISER, AND WALSWORTH
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Wojciech Antoni "Al" Krotoski, M.D., Ph.D., M.P.H.

The House Concurrent Resolutions contained herein were signed by the President of the Senate.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL
PRESENT

Mr. President
Erdey
Morrell

Allain
Fannin
Morris

Appel
Gatti
Peacock

Barrow
Hewitt
Perry

Bishop
Johns
Riser

Boudreaux
LaFleur
Smith, G.

Brown
Lambert
Smith, J.

By Senator Donahue

Rules Suspended

Senator Morrell asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up at this time:

Introduction of Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions

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

SENATE BILL NO. 6—
BY SENATOR DONAHUE
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6006(A), (B), and (D), 6006.1(A) and (E), and 6014(A), and to repeal R.S. 47:6006.1(C) and 6014(D) and (E), relative to income and corporation franchise tax credits; to provide with respect to tax credits for ad valorem taxes paid on inventory, certain offshore vessels, and certain telephone company public service properties; to reduce the amount of the tax credits; to provide with respect to the issuance of refunds for tax credits which exceed taxpayer liability; to repeal the statutory dedication of the avails of sales and use tax from telecommunications services; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Peterson 1 Day

Announcements

The following committee meetings for February 17, 2016, were announced:

Finance 1:00 P.M. Room A
Retirement 2:00 P.M. Room E

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Thompson, at 5:30 o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, February 17, 2016, at 10:00 o'clock A.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.