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FOURTH DAY’S PROCEEDINGS

Thirty-Ninth Extraordinary Session of the Legislature
Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974

Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Wednesday, February 17, 2016

The Senate was called to order at 10:15 o'clock A.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:

PRESENT

Mr. President
Fannin
Morris
Allain
Gatti
Peacock
Appel
Hewitt
Perry
Bishop
Johns
Peterson
Boudreaux
Lambert
Riser
Brown
Long
Smith, G.
Carter
Luneau
Smith, J.
Chabert
Martiny
Thompson
Claitor
Milkovich
Walsworth
Cortez
Mills
Ward
Donahue
Mizell
White
Erdey
Morrell

Total - 35

ABSENT

Barrow
LaFleur
Colomb
Tarver

Total - 4

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

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Senator John Milkovich, 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 Perry, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of February 16, 2016, was adopted.

Introduction of Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions

Senator Allain 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. 12—
BY SENATOR ALLAIN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6006(B), relative to tax credits; to eliminate the refundability of the tax credit for local ad valorem taxes on inventory paid by certain taxpayers on or after January 1, 2016; 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. 13—
BY SENATOR ALLAIN
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 47:6006(B), relative to tax credits; to phase out the refundability of the tax credit for local ad valorem taxes on inventory; 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. 14—
BY SENATOR ALLAIN
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing to add Article VII, Sections 10(F)(4)(h), 10.15, and 21(C)(20) and (21) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to ad valorem property tax exemptions; to provide for an exemption for certain inventory and vessels; to provide certain terms, conditions, procedures, and requirements; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

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

Introduction of Senate Resolutions

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 5—
BY SENATOR BROWN
A RESOLUTION
To commend Virgil Dennis Joffrion upon his ninetieth birthday.

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

Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

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 concurrent resolution was read by title. Senator Gatti moved to adopt the Senate Concurrent Resolution.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President
Fannin
Allain
Gatti
Appel
Hewitt
Barrow
Johns
Bishop
Lambert
Boudreaux
Long
Brown
Luneau
Carter
Martiny
Chabert
Milkovich
Claitor
Mills
Cortez
Mizell

Total - 329

Perry
Peterson
Riser
Smith, G.
Smith, J.
Thompson
Walsworth
Ward
White
The Chair declared the Senate adopted the Senate Concurrent Resolution and ordered it sent to the House.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

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 $570.1 million 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.

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

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Fannin Morrish
Allain Gatti Peacock
Appel Hewitt Perry
Barrow Johns Peterson
Bishop LaFleur Riser
Boudreaux Lambert Smith, G.
Brown Long Smith, J.
Carter Luneau Tarver
Chabert Martiny Thompson
Clairor Milkovich Walsworth
Cortez Mills Ward
Donahue Mizell White
Erdey Morrell
Total - 38

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Colomb LaFleur
Total - 2

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

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

SENATE BILL NO. 1—
BY SENATORS MARTINY AND BISHOP
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2365.1(A)(5) and (7)(a), relative to the definition of a qualified event or qualified major event; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Martiny sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Martiny on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 1 by Senator Martiny

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 8, following (7)(a) and before "hereby" change "is" to "are"

On motion of Senator Martiny, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL
The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Fannin Morrish
Allain Gatti Peacock
Appel Hewitt Perry
Barrow Johns Peterson
Bishop LaFleur Riser
Boudreaux Lambert Smith, G.
Brown Long Smith, J.
Carter Luneau Tarver
Chabert Martiny Thompson
Clairor Milkovich Walsworth
Cortez Mills Ward
Donahue Mizell White
Erdey Morrell
Total - 38

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Colomb
Total - 1

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

SENATE BILL NO. 4—
BY SENATORS LAFLEUR AND ALARIO
AN ACT
To amend and reenact R.S. 39:91(A), the introductory paragraph of (B), and (D), and to enact R.S. 39:91(E), 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.

Floor Amendments

Senator LaFleur proposed the following amendments.
SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator LaFleur to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 4 by Senator LaFleur

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, line 18, delete "State of", delete line 19, and on line 20, delete "(pending) (hereinafter "DWH litigation")" and insert "the DWH litigation"

On motion of Senator LaFleur, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Perry proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Perry to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 4 by Senator LaFleur

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 3, after line 1, insert:

"(4) This fund shall only be comprised of noncoastal restoration monies."

On motion of Senator Perry, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Fannin Morrish
Allain Gatti Peacock
Appel Hewitt Perry
Barrow Johns Peterson
Bishop LaFleur Riser
Boudreaux Lambert Smith, G.
Brown Long Smith, J.
Carter Luneau Thompson
Chabert Martiny Walsworth
Claitor Mills Ward
Cortez Mizell White
Donahue Morrell
Erdey
Total - 38

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Colomb Total - 1

Leaves of Absence

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Colomb 1 Day

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Thompson, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned until Thursday, February 18, 2016, at 9:30 o'clock A.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.

GLENN A. KOEPP
Secretary of the Senate

DIANE O'QUIN
Journal Clerk