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**EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**Forty-Third Extraordinary Session of the Legislature  
Under the Adoption of the  
Constitution of 1974**

Senate Chamber  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Sunday, March 4, 2018

The Senate was called to order at 7:50 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:

**PRESENT**

Mr. President	Hewitt	Peacock
Allain	Johns	Price
Appel	LaFleur	Riser
Bishop	Lambert	Smith, G.
Boudreaux	Long	Tarver
Carter	Luneau	Thompson
Chabert	Milkovich	Walsworth
Claitor	Mills	Ward
Donahue	Mizell	White
Erdey	Morrell	
Gatti	Morrish	
Total - 31		

**ABSENT**

Barrow	Fannin	Peterson
Colomb	Martiny	Smith, J.
Cortez	Perry	
Total - 8		

The President of the Senate announced there were 31 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 Peacock, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of March 2, 2018, was adopted.

**Message from the House**

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN  
HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS**

March 4, 2018

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 Bills and Joint Resolutions:

HB No. 15

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

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions**

Senator Thompson asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to read House Bills and Joint Resolutions a first and second time by title and refer them to committee.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 15—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARRAS AND JIM MORRIS  
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 10(C)(1) and (2) of the Constitution of Louisiana and to repeal Article VII, Section 10.3(A)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the expenditure limit; to provide for the determination of the growth factor of the expenditure limit; to cap the growth of the expenditure limit; to eliminate required uses of monies in excess of the expenditure limit; to provide for changing the expenditure limit; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

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

**Message from the House**

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN  
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

March 4, 2018

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:

HCR No. 5

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

**House Concurrent Resolutions  
on First Reading**

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES HAZEL, GAROFALO, AND MARINO AND  
SENATOR DONAHUE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Holy Cross boys' soccer team for winning the 2018 Allstate Sugar Bowl Division II championship.

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

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS

Senator Jean-Paul "JP" Morrell, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, submitted the following report:

March 4, 2018

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 10—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(4)(d), relative to individual income tax; to define federal income tax liability for purposes of calculating individual income tax liability; to require certain federal disaster losses to be included in the calculation of federal income tax liability; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 27—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1061(A)(1), relative to telecommunication taxes; to provide with respect to the rate of the tax levied on certain telecommunications devices and services; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
JEAN-PAUL "JP" MORRELL
Chairman

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
on Second Reading
Just Reported by Committees

Senator Morrell asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to take up House Bills and Joint Resolutions just reported by Committees.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(4)(d), relative to individual income tax; to define federal income tax liability for purposes of calculating individual income tax liability; to require certain federal disaster losses to be included in the calculation of federal income tax liability; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 27—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1061(A)(1), relative to telecommunication taxes; to provide with respect to the rate of the tax levied on certain telecommunications devices and

services; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Senate Resolutions on
Second Reading

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8—

BY SENATOR PETERSON

A RESOLUTION

To commend the "Geaux for the Gold With Purpose" campaign at Loyola University for working to ensure that children with pediatric cancer have access to safe and effective treatment options.

On motion of Senator Thompson the resolution was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Third Reading and Final Passage

SENATE BILL NO. 8—

BY SENATOR WARD

AN ACT

To enact Subpart D of Part I of Chapter 1 of Subtitle I of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 39:16.1 through 16.11, and to repeal R.S. 39:6(C), relative to the state's fiscal transparency website; to provide for the statewide implementation of the enterprise resource planning system; to provide the duties of the commissioner of administration relative to the information to be accessible on the fiscal transparency website; to provide definitions; to provide for the information to be included on the website; to provide for the appropriation acts for the executive, judicial, and legislative branches of government to be included on the website; to provide for links to the websites of state agencies, the legislature, and the legislative auditor; to provide relative to the reporting of contracts, expenditures, and incentive expenditures; to provide relative to reporting by the state retirement systems and the state treasurer; to provide for reports and audits to be published on the website; to provide for free public use of the website; to provide for an employment and salary database; to provide for the information which shall be excluded from the website; to provide relative to a schedule for the completion and maintenance of the website; to provide for the reporting of the use of state funds by the recipient of state funds; to provide for audits; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Ward proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Ward on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 8 by Senator Ward

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 6, lines 6 and 7, change "January 15 and July 15" to "January fifteenth and July fifteenth"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 6, line 9, following "required by" and before "shall be" change "Subparagraphs (a) through (f) of this Paragraph" to "Subparagraphs (2)(a) through (f) of this Subsection"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 6, line 10, following "Subparagraph" and before "of this" change "(g)" to "(2)(g)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 6, line 11, before "shall not" change "Paragraph" to "Subsection"

On motion of Senator Ward, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Ward proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Ward to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 8 by Senator Ward

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 9, line 14, change "R.S. 49:308.8(E)" to "R.S. 49:308.3(E)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 10, line 16, change "may" to "shall"

On motion of Senator Ward, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Ward proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Ward to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 8 by Senator Ward

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 10, change "legislature," to "legislature, judiciary,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 25, change "systems." to "systems, the legislative branch, and the judicial branch."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, line 22, change "of expenditures" to "of contracts, expenditures,"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 6, delete lines 3 through 5

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 6, at the beginning of line 6, change "D.(1)" to "C.(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 6, at the end of line 6, delete "and July" and on line 7, delete "15"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 8, line 29, after "bonds," and before "costs" insert "including but not limited to financial advisors and municipal advisors,"

On motion of Senator Ward, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Claitor proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Claitor to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 8 by Senator Ward

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 5, line 25, change "five" to "two"

On motion of Senator Claitor, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns: Name, YEAS, NAYS. Lists names like Mr. President, Allain, Appel, Barrow, Bishop, Boudreaux, Carter, Chabert, Claitor, Donahue, Erdrey, Gatti, Hewitt, Johns, LaFleur, Lambert, Long, Luneau, Milkovich, Mills, Mizell, Morrell, Morrish, Peacock, Price, Riser, Smith, G., Tarver, Thompson, Walsworth, Ward, White.

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns: Name, ABSENT. Lists names like Colomb, Cortez, Fannin, Martiny, Perry, Peterson, Smith, J.

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

Privileged Report of the Legislative Bureau

March 4, 2018

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Legislative Bureau to submit the following report:

The following instruments are approved as to construction and duplication.

HOUSE BILL NO. 10— BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:293(4)(d), relative to individual income tax; to define federal income tax liability for purposes of calculating individual income tax liability; to require certain federal disaster losses to be included in the calculation of federal income tax liability; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 27— BY REPRESENTATIVE SMITH AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1061(A)(1), relative to telecommunication taxes; to provide with respect to the rate of the tax levied on certain telecommunications devices and services; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

Respectfully submitted, RICK WARD

March 4, 2018

**Adoption of Legislative Bureau Report**

On motion of Senator Ward, the Bills and Joint Resolutions were read by title and passed to a third reading.

**Rules Suspended**

Senator LaFleur asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to allow the Senate Committee on Finance to meet in the Senate Chamber upon adjournment.

**ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Mr. President	Gatti	Morrish
Allain	Hewitt	Peacock
Appel	Johns	Price
Barrow	LaFleur	Riser
Bishop	Lambert	Smith, G.
Boudreaux	Long	Tarver
Carter	Luneau	Thompson
Chabert	Milkovich	Walsworth
Claitor	Mills	Ward
Donahue	Mizell	White
Erdey	Morrell	
Total - 32		

**ABSENT**

Colomb	Martiny	Smith, J.
Cortez	Perry	
Fannin	Peterson	
Total - 7		

**Leaves of Absence**

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Colomb 1 Day	Cortez 1 Day
Fannin 1 Day	Martiny 1 Day
Perry 1 Day	Peterson 1 Day
Smith, J. 1 Day	

**Announcements**

The following committee meetings for March 5, 2018, were announced:

Revenue and Fiscal Affairs 4:00 P.M. Hainkel Room

**Adjournment**

On motion of Senator Thompson, at 8:15 o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned until Monday, March 5, 2018, at 1:00 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.

GLENN A. KOEPP  
Secretary of the Senate

DIANE O' QUIN  
Journal Clerk