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SENATE
OF THE
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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

Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

The Senate was called to order at 3:12 o'clock P.M. by Hon. J. Cameron Henry, Jr., President of the Senate.

Morning Hour

CONVENING ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miguez
Abraham	Fesi	Miller
Allain	Fields	Mizell
Barrow	Foil	Morris
Bass	Harris	Owen
Boudreaux	Hensgens	Pressly
Bouie	Hodges	Price
Cathey	Jackson-Andrews	Reese
Cloud	Jenkins	Seabaugh
Connick	Kleinpeter	Talbot
Coussan	Lambert	Wheat
Duplessis	Luneau	Womack
Total - 36		

ABSENT

Carter	McMath	Stine
Total - 3		

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

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Senator Katrina R. Jackson-Andrews, 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 Jackson-Andrews, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of June 3, 2024, was adopted.

Messages from the Governor

The following messages from the Governor were received and read as follows:

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
PROCLAMATION NUMBER 73 JML 2024**

**CALL AND CONVENE THE LEGISLATURE OF
LOUISIANA INTO EXTRAORDINARY SESSION**

By virtue of the authority vested in me by La. Const. art. III, § 2(B), I, Jeff Landry, 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 20 calendar days, beginning at 3:00 p.m. on the 6th day of November 2024, and ending no later than 6:00 p.m. on the 25th day of November 2024. The power to legislate at such session shall be limited, under penalty of nullity, to the following specified enumerated objects:

- ITEM 1:** To propose amendments to the constitution and legislate relative to revenue and finance, including state and local revenue and finance, general revenue and finance provisions, power to tax, legislative authority, taxation, limitations, individual income tax, sales and use tax, corporation income tax, corporation franchise tax, severance tax, motor vehicle license tax, ad valorem property tax, excise tax, ad valorem property tax millages, state debt, exclusions, exemptions, deductions, reductions, credits, incentives, rebates, tax liabilities, tax collection, tax authority, tax administration, tax assessors, funds, establishment, consolidation, modification, and elimination of treasury funds, trusts, dedicated revenues, revenue sharing, expenditures, appropriations, unclaimed property, investment of funds, allocation of funds, Hospital Stabilization Formula, budgets, reports and records, donations, loans, or pledges of public credit, certain obligations, tax prescription, tax sales, and to provide for related matters.
- ITEM 2:** To legislate relative to the payment of permanent teacher and school personnel pay raises by paying down the unfunded accrued liability of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana ("TRSL") and by appropriation, and relative to authority of TRSL regarding calculation of system liabilities and required funding, and amortization.
- ITEM 3:** To legislate with regard to corporation franchise tax, including rates, exemptions, deductions, reductions, credits, and incentives claimed against the corporation franchise tax.
- ITEM 4:** To legislate with regard to corporation income tax, including rates, exemptions, deductions, reductions, credits, and incentives claimed against the corporation income tax.
- ITEM 5:** To legislate with regard to individual income tax, including rates, exemptions, deductions, reductions, credits, and incentives claimed against the individual income tax.
- ITEM 6:** To legislate with regard to income tax on estates and trusts, including rates, exemptions, deductions, reductions, credits, and incentives claimed against the income tax on estates and trusts.
- ITEM 7:** To increase the standard deduction applied against individual income tax for individuals sixty-five years of age or older.
- ITEM 8:** To legislate with regard to state sales and use tax and local sales and use tax, including rates, exemptions, deductions, reductions, exclusions, credits, rebates, and alternative reporting methods.
- ITEM 9:** To legislate with regard to severance tax, including rates, exemptions, administration, and dedications of mineral revenues.
- ITEM 10:** To legislate with regard to ad valorem property taxation, millages, assessments, rates, exemptions, and with regard to funding for incentives in lieu of taxation.
- ITEM 11:** To legislate with regard to dedications, collections, revenues, and taxes.

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- ITEM 12:** To legislate with regard to incentives for the purpose of economic development.
- ITEM 13:** To legislate with regard to the taxation of digital products, digital goods, digital services, and non-digital services.
- ITEM 14:** To legislate with regard to an expenditure limit, and relative to identifying efficiencies and costs savings in state government.
- ITEM 15:** To legislate relative to the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation to provide for the funding for the fortified roof programs for policy holders of the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation.
- ITEM 16:** To legislate with regard to the Oilfield Site Restoration Fund, to revise fees, and to provide for administration by the Natural Resources Trust Authority.
- ITEM 17:** To legislate relative to incentives to leasing on state lands by revising the authority of the State Mineral and Energy Board.
- ITEM 18:** To legislate relative to funding for purchase of instructional materials and supplies for students enrolled in a vocational agriculture, agribusiness, or agriscience course.
- ITEM 19:** To propose amendments to the constitution and legislate regarding the crimes that are not subject to special juvenile procedures and the legislature's authority to make that determination.
- ITEM 20:** To propose amendments to the constitution and legislate relative to the judicial branch regarding specialty courts, the Supreme Court's authority to regulate disciplinary proceedings and unethical practices, vacancies in judgeships, elections for vacancies in judgeships, and related matters.
- ITEM 21:** To legislate with regard to the appropriation of funds, including supplemental appropriations, and making modifications from certain sources for Fiscal Year 2024-2025, and to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use, as specified, of monies in certain treasury funds and accounts, for the objects specifically enumerated in this proclamation for the extraordinary session.
- ITEM 22:** To legislate relative to calling a special statewide election for the purposes of allowing all voters, registered and qualified, to vote on the constitutional amendments.
- ITEM 23:** To legislate to provide funding for purposes of calling and holding a special election on the constitutional amendments.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 26th day of October, 2024.

JEFF LANDRY
Governor of Louisiana

Attest by
NANCY LANDRY
Secretary of State

Rules Suspended

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

Introduction of Senate Resolutions

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1

BY SENATOR Barrow

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 Barrow, the resolution was read by title and adopted.

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

Senators Connick,
Jackson-Andrews,
Jenkins,
Miguez, and
Owen.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2

BY SENATOR Barrow

A RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Louisiana that a Committee of six 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 Barrow, the resolution was read by title and adopted.

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

Senators Coussan,
Fields,
Foil,
Mizell, and
Womack.

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 Introduced
and Referred**

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

SENATE BILL NO. 1—

BY SENATOR MORRIS AND REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article V, Sections 5(B), 15(A), and 16(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to jurisdiction of courts; to provide for disciplinary proceedings over attorneys from other jurisdictions concerning legal services in the state and over related unethical practices; to authorize creation of courts of limited or specialized jurisdiction; 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 Judiciary A.

SENATE BILL NO. 2—

BY SENATORS CLOUD AND MORRIS AND REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article V, Section 19 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to special juvenile proceedings; to provide relative to offenses committed by juveniles; to allow adult prosecution for offenses provided by law; 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 Judiciary C.

SENATE BILL NO. 3—

BY SENATOR HENSGENS AND REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Sections 10(C) and (E) and 11(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to state finances; to provide for calculation of a limit above which certain funds may only be appropriated for certain purposes; to provide for exceptions; to authorize the legislature to change the limit in certain circumstances; to provide for the establishment of an initial limit; to provide relative to the duties of the governor with respect to state finances; to provide with respect to the powers and duties of the Revenue Estimating Conference; 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 Finance.

SENATE BILL NO. 4—

BY SENATOR HENSGENS AND REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:34(C), 38(B), and 54(C) and to enact R.S. 39:33.3, relative to state finances; to provide relative to the calculation of a limit above which certain funds may only be appropriated for certain purposes; to provide relative to exceptions; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to the authority of the governor; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the commissioner of administration; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the Revenue Estimating Conference; to provide for a special effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

**Introduction of Senate Bills
and Joint Resolutions**

Senator Morris 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. 5—

BY SENATOR MORRIS AND REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article V, Section 22(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to judicial elections; to provide for election dates for newly-created judgeships or vacancies in office of judge; to provide for exceptions involving courts of limited or specialized jurisdictions upon request from the supreme court concerning persons appointed to fill these positions; 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 Judiciary A.

SENATE BILL NO. 6—

BY SENATOR TALBOT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:2297(C)(4), relative to the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; to provide for the Louisiana Fortify Homes Program; to authorize the governing board of the corporation to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement; to provide for approval; 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 Insurance.

SENATE BILL NO. 7—

BY SENATOR LUNEAU

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:4163, relative to legislative continuance or extension for legislators and legislative employees; to provide for motions involving legislative continuance or extension; to provide a presumption that a motion is proper; to provide for oppositions to a motion for continuance or extension; to provide for proof of opposition to a motion by clear and convincing proof; to provide for denial of a motion for continuance or extension; and to provide for related matters.

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

**Introduction of
Senate Concurrent Resolutions**

Senator Barrow asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to read Senate Concurrent Resolutions a first and second time.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—

BY SENATOR BARROW

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To invite the Honorable Jeff Landry, Governor of Louisiana, to address a joint session of the legislature.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Duplessis	Miller
Abraham	Edmonds	Mizell

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Allain	Fesi	Morris
Barrow	Fields	Pressly
Bass	Foil	Price
Boudreaux	Harris	Reese
Bouie	Hodges	Seabaugh
Cathey	Jackson-Andrews	Wheat
Cloud	Kleinpeter	Womack
Connick	Lambert	
Coussan	Luneau	
Total - 31		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter	McMath	Stine
Hensgens	Miguez	Talbot
Jenkins	Owen	
Total - 8		

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

Motion

Senator Henry 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 3:43 P.M. by the Honorable J. Cameron Henry Jr., President of the Senate.

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

On motion of Speaker Pro-Tempore Michael Johnson, 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 Jeff Landry, Governor of the State of Louisiana, to the joint session.

On the part of the Senate: Senators Coussan, Fields, Foil, Mizell, and Womack.

On the part of the House: Representatives Adams, Chenevert, Miller, Turner, and Wright.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Senator Regina Barrow.

Pledge of Allegiance

Senator Henry, President of the Senate, 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 Jeff Landry, who addressed the joint session of the legislature.

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

After Joint Session

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

PRESENT

Mr. President	Fesi	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Owen
Barrow	Hensgens	Pressly
Bass	Hodges	Reese
Boudreaux	Jackson-Andrews	Seabaugh
Bouie	Jenkins	Talbot
Cathey	Kleinpeter	Wheat
Cloud	Lambert	Womack
Duplessis	Luneau	
Edmonds	Miller	
Total - 31		

ABSENT

Carter	Fields	Price
Connick	McMath	Stine
Coussan	Miguez	
Total - 8		

The President of the Senate announced there were 31 Senators present and a quorum.

Senate Business Resumed After Joint Session

Message from the House

CONCURRING IN SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

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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 BARROW

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To invite the Honorable Jeff Landry, Governor of Louisiana, to address a joint session of the legislature.

Reported without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House of Representatives

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

PRESENT

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miguez
Abraham	Fesi	Miller
Allain	Fields	Mizell
Barrow	Foil	Morris
Bass	Harris	Owen
Boudreaux	Hensgens	Pressly
Bouie	Hodges	Price
Cathey	Jackson-Andrews	Reese
Cloud	Jenkins	Seabaugh

Connick
Coussan
Duplessis
Total - 36

Kleinpeter
Lambert
Luneau

Talbot
Wheat
Womack

ABSENT

Carter
Total - 3

McMath

Stine

Leaves of Absence

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Carter
Stine

1 Day
1 Day

McMath

1 Day

Announcements

The following committee meetings for November 7, 2024, were announced:

Judiciary A
Judiciary C

10:00 A.M.
9:00 A.M.

Hainkel Room
Room F

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Talbot, at 4:37 o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned until Thursday, November 7, 2024, at 1:30 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

FRANCINE K. OGNIBENE
Journal Clerk