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**Fifty-Second Regular Session of the Legislature
Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974**

Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, April 20, 2026

The Senate was called to order at 2:11 o'clock P.M. by Hon. J. Cameron Henry, Jr., President of the Senate.

Morning Hour

CONVENING ROLL CALL

YEAS

Mr. President	Foil	Morris
Allain	Harris	Myers
Barrow	Jackson-Andrews	Pressly
Barthelemy	Kleinpeter	Price
Boudreaux	Lambert	Selders
Cloud	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miller	Womack
Fesi	Mizell	

Total - 23

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Abraham	Hensgens	Reese
Bass	Hodges	Seabaugh
Carter	Jenkins	Stine
Cathey	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	Miguez	
Edmonds	Owen	

Total - 16

The President of the Senate announced there were 23 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 Barrow, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of April 15, 2026, was adopted.

**Privileged Report of the
Legislative Bureau**

April 20, 2026

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. 53—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:1352(A)(89) through (95), relative to gambling crimes; to add certain gambling crimes as predicate offenses for racketeering activity; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 69—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:334(A), relative to ignition interlock devices; to add a reference to the Code of Criminal Procedure; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 93—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER
AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 404(K), relative to the clerk of court of Lincoln Parish; to provide for the function of the clerk of court of Lincoln Parish; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 119—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:73.14(D) and 81.1.1(D)(1) and to enact R.S. 14:73.14.1 and 81.1.1(A)(3) and R.S. 17:416.20.1 and 3996(B)(92), relative to computer-related crime; to provide relative to the crime of unlawful dissemination or sale of images of another created by artificial intelligence; to provide for penalties; to create the crime of unlawful possession of images of another created by artificial intelligence and provide for elements, definitions, penalties, and exceptions; to provide relative to the crime of sexting; to provide for conduct that constitutes the crime of sexting; to provide for penalties; to require school dissemination of certain information; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 152—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:964(Schedule I)(A)(108) through (120), relative to the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law; to add certain substances to the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 332—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:264(H), relative to the Louisiana Agricultural Finance Authority; to provide for minimum meeting requirements of the authority; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 344—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:3412.1(E), relative to the Grain and Cotton Indemnity Fund; to provide for changes in balance allocation and suspension of collections under the fund; to provide relative to the balance within the Louisiana Agricultural Finance Authority; to increase the upper and lower threshold balances of the monies within the authority; to provide for the collection of assessments; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

April 20, 2026

HOUSE BILL NO. 367—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BUTLER, BAGLEY, BAYHAM, COATES, DEWITT, CHANCE HENRY, KNOX, MCMAHEN, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:3372(E)(2), relative to the enforcement procedures of the Structural Pest Control Commission; to provide relative to notice requirements applicable to an adjudicatory hearing held by the commission; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 505—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHANCE HENRY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:3210(B), 3242(A), 3244, 3246(A), and 3251(B)(4), relative to the Louisiana Pesticide Law; to provide for the disposition of unexpended and unencumbered monies in the Pesticide Fund; to provide for the issuance of certification cards for commercial applicators, pesticide salespersons, and agricultural consultants; to provide for the renewal of such certificates; to provide for fees for certain licenses and certificates issued or reissued by the commissioner; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 697—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMANN
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:191(3)(b) and to repeal R.S. 49:191(1)(j), relative to the Department of Environmental Quality, including provisions to provide for the re-creation of the Department of Environmental Quality and the statutory entities made a part of the department by law; to provide for the effective termination date for all statutory authority for the existence of such statutory entities; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 806—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:100(B)(2) and (D), relative to hit-and-run driving offenses; to provide for considerations when setting bail for hit-and-run driving offenses; to direct the law enforcement agency responding to a hit-and-run offense to use a certain system to notify all law enforcement agencies of the offense; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
GREGORY A. MILLER
Chair

Adoption of Legislative Bureau Report

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

Message from the House

**CONCURRING IN
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

April 20, 2026q

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. 32—

BY SENATORS STINE, ABRAHAM AND REESE AND REPRESENTATIVES BOURRIAQUE, BROUSSARD, CARRIER, FARNUM, GEYMANN AND TARVER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the passing of Dr. Richard Edward Landry and to commend and honor his life, legacy, and service.

Reported without amendments.

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

Introduction of Senate Resolutions

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 83—

BY SENATOR MIZELL

A RESOLUTION

To commend Our Lady of Angels on its work with Project Maternal Overdose Mortality (Project M.O.M.).

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 84—

BY SENATORS STINE, ABRAHAM AND REESE

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the St. Louis Catholic High School boys soccer team upon winning the Division III state championship.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 85—

BY SENATOR BOUDREAU

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Tuesday, April 21, 2026, as Wholesalers Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to commend the Louisiana Association of Wholesalers for its contributions to the economy and residents of Louisiana.

Senator Boudreaux asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to read Senate Resolution No. 85 a first and second time.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 86—

BY SENATOR MCMATH

A RESOLUTION

To amend and readopt Senate Rule No. 1.2 of the Rules of Order of the Senate to prohibit wearing any eyeglasses with video or audio recording capability in the Senate chamber without approval from the President of the Senate.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 87—

BY SENATOR HODGES

A RESOLUTION

To commend Lacie Thomas Fontenot for being named the 2026 Louisiana School Health Service Provider of the Year by the Louisiana Department of Education.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 88—

BY SENATOR HODGES

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Monday, April 20, 2026, as Livingston Parish Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

Senator Hodges asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to read Senate Resolution No. 88 a first and second time.

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

Introduction of Senate Concurrent Resolutions

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35—

BY SENATOR FOIL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study and formulate proposed legislation to amend the "Remote Online Notarization Act" and related laws, as necessary, to authorize the use of remote online notarization for executing authentic acts as defined in Civil Code Article 1833, excluding those instruments prohibited in R.S. 35:623(B), and to report its findings and proposed legislation to the Louisiana Legislature.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36—

BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Cheniere Energy for over twenty years of investment, economic leadership, and energy innovation, as well as ten years of LNG export operations in the state of Louisiana, and to recognize the company's contributions to job creation, economic growth, and the global energy marketplace.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 37—

BY SENATOR FESI

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To request the surgeon general to review Louisiana's informed consent laws and submit a report to the legislature on whether any gaps exist in current laws relative to vaccinations.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38—

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To repeal Joint Rule No. 7 of the Joint Rules of Order of the Senate and House of Representatives that established the Atchafalaya Basin Program Oversight Committee.

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

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading

SENATE BILL NO. 523— (Substitute of Senate Bill No. 91 by Senator Mizell)

BY SENATOR MIZELL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:572.4(D) and Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 894.1(B)(33) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 894.1(B)(34), relative to victims of domestic abuse, human trafficking, or sexual assault; to provide relative to applications for probation or commutation of sentence; to provide for exceptions; to provide relative to sentencing

guidelines; to provide grounds for determining suspension of sentence or probation; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Morris the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

Senate Resolutions on Second Reading

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 81—

BY SENATOR FOIL

A RESOLUTION

To designate May 16 through 23, 2026, as Safe Boating Week in Louisiana.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 82—

BY SENATORS MIGUEZ AND ALLAIN

A RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences on the passing of Lionel Sutton II.

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

Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34—

BY SENATOR CATHEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the passing of Coach Pat Collins.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns: Name, Yeas, Nays. Lists names like Mr. President, Abraham, Allain, Barrow, etc.

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns: Name, Absent, Present. Lists names like Carter, Connick, Jenkins.

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

Message from the House

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

April 16, 2026

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:

Table listing House Bills and Joint Resolutions: HB No. 1, HB No. 2, HB No. 3, HB No. 312, HB No. 313, HB No. 383, HB No. 314, HB No. 983, HB No. 1126, HB No. 21, HB No. 45, HB No. 132, HB No. 211, HB No. 263, HB No. 315, HB No. 401, HB No. 431, HB No. 562, HB No. 715, HB No. 822, HB No. 823, HB No. 1018, HB No. 1137, HB No. 1235

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on First Reading

HOUSE BILL NO. 1— BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND AN ACT

Making annual appropriations for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 for the ordinary expenses of the executive branch of state government, pensions, public schools, public roads, public charities, and state institutions and providing with respect to the expenditure of said appropriations.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 2— BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA AN ACT

To provide with respect to the capital outlay budget and the capital outlay program for state government, state institutions, and other public entities; to provide for the designation of projects and improvements; to provide for the financing thereof making appropriations from certain sources; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 3— BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA AN ACT

To enact the Omnibus Bond Authorization Act of 2026, relative to the implementation of a five-year capital improvement program; to provide for the repeal of certain prior bond authorizations; to provide for new bond authorizations; to provide for authorization and sale of such bonds by the State Bond Commission; to provide relative to the submission of capital outlay applications; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 21— BY REPRESENTATIVE GLORIOSO AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:1735(A), 1759(D), 1782(1), 1788(A), and 1802(1) and to enact R.S. 11:1732(13)(c) and (14)(a)(xiv), relative to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana; to provide for employer participation; to provide relative to certain exemptions; to provide relative to accumulated contributions; to provide relative to membership in the system; to provide relative to computation of normal retirement allowances; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to benefits of part-time reemployed retirees; to provide relative to service credit; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 45— BY REPRESENTATIVES BACALA AND FREEMAN AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2213(10), 2221(N), 2225.5(B)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (2) and (C), 2241.5(A), and 2242.5(A) and to enact R.S. 11:2218(K), 2220.1, 2221(G)(6) and (O), 2225.5(B)(3) and (4), 2241.5(D), 2242.5(D), and 2242.9, relative to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System; to provide relative to benefits; to provide for membership in the system; to provide relative to the definition of earnable compensation; to provide for service credit; to provide for survivor benefits for officers killed in the line of duty; to provide relative to the funding deposit account; to provide relative to the Deferred Retirement Option Plan; to provide relative to investment of Deferred Retirement Option Plan accounts; to provide relative to investment earnings on Deferred Retirement Option Plan accounts; to provide relative to the accrual rate for service credit in the hazardous and nonhazardous duty subplans; to provide for the transfer of certain employees from the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 132— BY REPRESENTATIVE GLORIOSO AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:33, relative to battery; to provide that intentionally directing sound at a person in close proximity under circumstances capable of causing pain or hearing injury constitutes battery; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 211— BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(6) and to enact Chapter 33-D of Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 13:5381 through 5386, R.S. 14:107.6, and Part IV of Chapter 3 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:581.1 through 582, relative to the Homelessness Court program; to provide for the creation of the program; to provide for a statement of legislative intent; to provide for the goals of the program; to provide for definitions; to provide for the Homelessness Court probation program; to create the crime of unauthorized camping on public property; to provide for penalties; to prohibit public camping and temporary outdoor habitation; to provide for exceptions; to provide for notification requirements; to provide for minimum standards and procedures; to provide for enforcement; to provide for housing; to establish regulations that promote sanitary conditions; to provide for duties of the Louisiana

Department of Health and office of the state fire marshal; to provide for effective dates; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 263—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:589(E), relative to the magistrate judge of the Fourteenth Judicial District Court; to authorize the magistrate judge to preside over specialty court programs; to define relative to specialty court; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 312—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To appropriate funds and to make certain reductions from certain sources to be allocated to designated agencies and purposes in specific amounts for the making of supplemental appropriations and reductions for said agencies and purposes for Fiscal Year 2025-2026; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 313—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 39:100.49 and 100.50, relative to certain treasury funds; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use, as specified, of monies in certain treasury funds and accounts; to repeal certain treasury funds; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 314—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To provide with respect to the Revenue Sharing Fund and the allocation and distribution thereof for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 315—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 23:921(P), relative to noncompete contracts or agreements; to prohibit noncompete contracts, agreements, or provisions for interns and apprentices; to provide for confidentiality agreements and certain employment information and agreements; to provide a definition; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 383—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To provide for the establishment and reestablishment of agency ancillary funds, to be specifically known as internal service funds, auxiliary accounts, or enterprise funds for certain state institutions, officials, and agencies; to provide for appropriation of funds for Fiscal Year 2026-2027; to provide for an effective date; to regulate the administration of said funds; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 401—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WRIGHT, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAMBURG, BEAULLIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOUDREAUX, BOURRIAQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BRAUD, BROUSSARD, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, DESHOTEL, DEVILLIER, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, ECHOLS, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FIRMENT, GADBERRY, GALLE, GLORIOSO, GREEN, HEBERT, DANA HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, LYONS, MCCORMICK, MCFARLAND, MCMAHEN, MCMAKIN, MURRAY, MUSCARELLO, NEWELL, OWEN, RISER, SAWYER, SCHLEGEL, ST. BLANC, STAGNI, TAYLOR, TURNER, VILLIO, WILDER, WILEY, WYBLE, AND ZERINGUE AND SENATOR MCMATH

AN ACT

To designate the elevated portion on United States Highway 190 over the Bogue Falaya River in St. Tammany Parish as the "Lance Corporal Justin D. McLeese Memorial Bridge"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 431—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARLSON, BILLINGS, CARVER, COX, DOMANGUE, FARNUM, FREIBERG, GADBERRY, JACKSON, LYONS, MARCELLE, MURRAY, SAWYER, AND STAGNI AND SENATOR LUNEAU

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1420.31, relative to local government officials; to provide relative to training requirements for certain local government officials; to provide relative to resources and training offered by state agencies, associations, or groups that provide municipal governance training; to provide relative to subject matter requirements for such resources and training; to provide for reporting of certain information; to provide exceptions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 562—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:961(F)(1)(w), relative to court reporter transcript fees in the Nineteenth Judicial District Court; to provide for transcript fees; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 715—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 2:135.3(Section heading), (A), and (B), relative to aerial applicators; to require aerial applicators to operate federally compliant transponders and two-way radios when using publicly owned airports or participating in airport priority programs; to prohibit political subdivisions from discriminating against licensed aerial applicators using public airports; to provide for inspection and enforcement by the Department of Agriculture and Forestry; to provide for aerial applicators at non-towered airports; to provide for public safety and coordination of airport operations; to provide for limitations; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 822—

BY REPRESENTATIVE NEWELL
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2740.70.11, relative to economic development districts; to provide relative to the board of commissioners of economic development districts located in certain municipalities; to provide relative to the appointment of board

members; to provide for limitations on appointments; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 823—
BY REPRESENTATIVES KNOX AND CHASSION
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 33-D of Title 13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 13:5381 through 5386, relative to homelessness; to provide for the creation of a homeless diversion pilot program in Orleans Parish; to provide program goals, guidelines, and participation criteria; to provide for annual evaluations of the homeless diversion pilot program submitted to the Louisiana Supreme Court; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 983—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To appropriate funds to defray the expenses of the Louisiana Judiciary, including the Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, District Courts, Criminal District Court of Orleans Parish, and other courts; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1018—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 26:81.2 and 281.2, relative to limitation of the issuance of certain alcoholic beverage permits; to prohibit the issuance of alcoholic beverage permits in certain areas; to provide for a temporary moratorium; to provide for an effective date; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1126—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To appropriate funds for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 to defray the expenses of the Louisiana Legislature, including the expenses of the House of Representatives and the Senate, of legislative service agencies, and of the Louisiana State Law Institute; to provide for the salary, expenses, and allowances of members, officers, staff, and agencies of the Legislature; to provide with respect to the appropriations and allocations herein made; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1137—
BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 23:333, relative to employment discrimination; to prohibit adverse employment actions based on certain constitutionally protected speech; to prohibit compelled speech in the workplace; to provide for the use of certain pronouns or honorifics; to provide for legislative findings and intent; to provide definitions; to provide exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1235— (Substitute for House Bill No. 477 by Representative Hebert)

BY REPRESENTATIVES HEBERT, ADAMS, BAYHAM, BOUDREAUX, BOYD, BRASS, CHASSION, COX, FISHER, FREIBERG, JACKSON, MIKE JOHNSON, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MELERINE, MOORE, NEWELL, SPELL, TAYLOR, WALTERS, AND WILEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1049 and to enact Part IX of Chapter 5-E of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1259.11, relative to health insurance; to require coverage for prosthetic and orthotic devices and associated services; to establish criteria for medical necessity determinations; to delineate coverage standards, encompassing multiple devices, materials, components, repair, and replacement; to provide requirements for prior authorization and cost-sharing; to provide nondiscrimination provisions; to provide for network adequacy standards; to set reporting requirements; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

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

Message from the House

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

April 16, 2026

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. 3 HCR No. 57 HCR No. 58

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

House Concurrent Resolutions on First Reading

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To provide for a hospital stabilization formula pursuant to Article VII, Section 10.13 of the Constitution of Louisiana; to establish the level and basis of hospital assessments; to establish certain reimbursement enhancements for inpatient and outpatient hospital services; to establish certain criteria for the implementation of the formula; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Barney Arceneaux on the occasion of his retirement.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 58—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 22, 2025, as Ascension Parish Day at the state capitol.

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

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Second Reading**

HOUSE BILL NO. 24—

BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:710.3, relative to the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; to provide relative to reemployment of certain retirees; to provide relative to employee and employer contributions; to provide for restrictions; to provide for reporting of certain information to the retirement system and the Department of Education; to provide for exemptions; to provide for definitions; to provide for termination; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 29—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:783.2, relative to the payment of group insurance premiums for retired clerks of court and employees; to create the Ascension Parish Clerk of Court Retired Employees Insurance Fund; to provide for deposits in the fund; to provide for investment of deposits in the fund; to provide for payments from the fund; to provide for an investment advisory board; to provide for the membership and terms of the members of the investment advisory board; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 39—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FIRMENT, EDMONSTON, GALLE, HEBERT, MACK, ORGERON, OWEN, VENTRELLA, AND ZERINGUE AND SENATOR CARTER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:2402(5) and 2404.4, relative to the qualification of peace officers in Louisiana; to provide for definitions; to provide that peace officers shall be United States citizens; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 76—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:715(C) and to enact R.S. 15:549(J) and 715(D), relative to notification of releases from parish prisons or jails or state correctional facilities; to provide for notification of improperly released inmates; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 77—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:783(F)(13) and (14), relative to group insurance expenses of the office of the clerk of court; to provide for the payment of group insurance premiums for certain retirees of the Lincoln Parish Clerk of Court; to provide for the payment of group insurance premiums for certain retirees of the Lafourche Parish Clerk of Court; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 136—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2554(C)(6), relative to the city of Harahan; to provide relative to the classified police service; to provide relative to the certification and appointment of eligible persons; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 150—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIAQUE

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 18 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 33:7151, relative to Cameron Parish; to authorize the creation of a local insurance program; to provide relative to the administration and management of the program; to provide relative to program eligibility; to authorize the creation of a local insurance fund; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 265—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:283(C) and R.S. 15:541(24)(a), to enact R.S. 14:283(A)(4), (D), and (E), and to repeal R.S. 14:283(F) through (H), relative to video voyeurism; to provide for additional conduct that constitutes the crime of video voyeurism; to provide for exceptions; to provide for redesignation of certain citations; to provide relative to sex offender registration; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 273—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREIBERG

AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 33:2740.70.8, relative to certain parishes; to repeal the authorization for the distribution of sales and use tax revenue collected by the parish governing authority on the sale of admission tickets to certain events; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 275—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:34.9(I) and 35.3(I), relative to battery of a dating partner and domestic abuse battery; to provide for penalties when a child is present; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 299—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(3)(introductory paragraph) and to enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(3)(e), relative to documents filed in court; to provide for the filing of a jury bond in person, by United States mail, or by commercial courier; and to provide for related matters.

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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 342—

BY REPRESENTATIVES KNOX, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BOYD, BROUSSARD, CARPENTER, WILFORD CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FISHER, FREIBERG, GREEN, JACKSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, JORDAN, LACOMBE, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, MENA, MOORE, NEWELL, OWEN, PHELPS, SCHAMERHORN, SPELL, STAGNI, TAYLOR, VENTRELLA, WALTERS, WILEY, WYBLE, YOUNG, AND ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:1946(B)(3), relative to special education; to provide for special education due process hearings; to provide that local education agencies shall have the burden of proof in such hearings relative to the appropriateness of a student's current or proposed placement or program; to provide for how the burden of proof shall be met; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 376—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2496(1)(a)(iii) and 2556(1)(a)(iii), relative to the fire and police civil service; to provide relative to provisional appointments in the fire and police civil service for municipalities, parishes, and fire protection districts; to provide for the maximum length of such appointments; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 377—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Subparagraphs (9)(a) and (b) of Article XIV, Section 15.1 of the 1921 Constitution of Louisiana, as amended, continued as a statute pursuant to Article X, Section 18 of the 1974 Constitution of Louisiana, and R.S. 33:2479(D) and (H), relative to the municipal fire and police civil service; to provide relative to the state examiner and deputy state examiner; to provide relative to the compensation for the state examiner and deputy state examiner; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 450—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2491(E) and 2551(5), relative to the fire and police civil service; to provide relative to points awarded to veterans in competitive fire and police civil service employment; to provide for military service requirements of veterans in competitive fire and police civil service employment; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 476—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DICKERSON, ADAMS, BILLINGS, BOYD, BRASS, BRYANT, CHENEVERT, CREWS, EGAN, FIRMONT, FISHER, GREEN, HORTON, LAFLEUR, LYONS, MELERINE, MOORE, NEWELL, OWEN, SAWYER, SCHAMERHORN, SPELL, TAYLOR, AND WILDER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:17.9 and 3996(B)(92), relative to public health information; to provide relative to information posted in public middle and high schools; to provide for requirements of the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services and the state Department of Education; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 486—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SPELL, KNOX, AND MCMAKIN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(24) and to enact R.S. 37:2354(H) and Part II of Chapter 28 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 37:2371, relative to the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact; to provide for fees for psychologists utilizing the compact; to provide for the purpose of the compact; to provide for definitions; to provide for home state licensure; to provide for the compact privilege to practice telepsychology; to provide for temporary compact authority to practice in person; to provide for disciplinary actions; to provide for communication of information between compact states; to establish the compact commission; to provide for the duties of the compact commission; to provide for the promulgation of rules; to provide for oversight, dispute resolution, and enforcement of certain provisions; to provide for construction and severability; to provide for an exception from Public Records Law; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 519—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:4165(G), relative to the appointment of a special master; to provide for the application of the code of judicial conduct to special masters; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 533—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:255(AA), relative to costs of court; to provide for the transfer of certain surplus monies in the Twenty-Second Judicial District Court; to provide for definitions; to provide for use of the monies; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 538—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREIBERG

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:1631, relative to the judicial expense fund for the Juvenile Court of East Baton Rouge Parish; to modify relative to the chief judge and all judges of the court; to establish functions of the collective judges; to authorize the clerk of court to collect certain additional costs in civil and criminal nonsupport proceedings; to provide for the control, expenditure, and audit of monies in the judicial expense fund; to increase the civil filing fee; to prohibit payment of salaries from the judicial expense fund; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 559—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FISHER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:996.42(A), relative to court costs; to increase maximum filing fees and court costs to deposit into the judicial expense fund for the Fourth Judicial District; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 639—BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1463.1(D) and (E) and R.S. 42:1132(D) and to enact R.S. 18:1463.1(F) and (G), relative to required disclosures in telephone campaign communications; to provide for disclosures related to the use of artificial intelligence; to provide for the administration and enforcement of the regulation of telephone campaign communications by the Board of Ethics; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 663—BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS JOHNSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:342(A)(introductory paragraph) and (10) through (24) and (B)(2) and to repeal R.S. 3:342(A)(2), (25), and (26), relative to the Delta Economic Research and Sustainability District; to modify the membership of the board of commissioners of the district; to direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to alphabetize and renumber certain definitions; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

HOUSE BILL NO. 717—BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHAMERHORN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:4744(Section heading) and (A), relative to the labeling of cell cultured food products; to require cell cultured food products contain a disclosure identifying the product in a clear and conspicuous manner; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

HOUSE BILL NO. 761—BY REPRESENTATIVES HILFERTY, ADAMS, BAYHAM, BILLINGS, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSION, FISHER, GREEN, LACOMBE, LAFLÉUR, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, PHELPS, SPELL, TAYLOR, WALTERS, AND ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1076.1, relative to the advisory board for rare cancer treatments; to provide for revisions to board composition; to provide for meetings and reporting; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 805—BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 26:351, relative to wines, distilled spirits, and powdered alcohol; to provide for approved containers for wines and distilled spirits; to provide for case configuration for wines and distilled spirits; to provide for application of federal regulations; to provide for exceptions; to prohibit the sale or shipment of powdered alcohol; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 808—BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAHEN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:43.5 and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 726.1, relative to the crime of intentional exposure to HIV; to provide for elements; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to affirmative defenses; to

provide relative to notice for medical conditions; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 834—BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAHEN
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 3:2467, relative to designation and operation of animal shelters; to provide for the care, holding, and disposition of lost, stray, or at-large domestic animals; to authorize certain governing authorities to designate animal shelters; to require shelters to comply with minimum standards of care and applicable hold periods; to provide for owner notification and acquisition of unclaimed animals; to provide for the powers, authority, and discretion of local governmental subdivisions regarding animal control and shelter operations; to promote humane treatment of animals; to provide for limitations and liability; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

HOUSE BILL NO. 867—BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:381(C)(38), relative to the town of Fordoche; to provide relative to the office of chief of police; to provide that the office is appointive and not elective; to provide relative to the salary, qualifications, supervision, powers and duties, and term of the office of chief of police; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 868—BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:341(C), (D), and (G), 384(A) and (D), and 385(A)(1)(a) and to enact R.S. 32:384(E)(3) and (F) and 385(A)(4), relative to the regulation of motor vehicles; to establish comprehensive requirements for brake equipment; to mandate safety chain specifications for trailers and semitrailers; to eliminate specific exemptions pertaining to farm equipment; to provide for an exception applicable to the operation of certain vehicles on private property; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

HOUSE BILL NO. 883—BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHLEGEL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:90.3(B), (C)(introductory paragraph), (1), (9), and (10), and (D) through (K) and to enact R.S. 14:90.3(C)(11) and (12) and (L) through (R) and R.S. 27:19.1 and 19.2, relative to restrictions against illegal online gambling; to provide for penalties for violations thereof; to provide for enforcement; to provide for remedies; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 915—BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:460.74, relative to the state medical assistance program; to provide a utilization management process; to provide established time frames for managed care organizations to make determinations; to provide guidelines for a managed care organization's failure to make a determination; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 949—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3207(A)(2) and (4) and (B)(introductory paragraph), (1), and (2), 3208(A)(introductory paragraph) and (B), 3211 through 3213, 3216, 3218, and 3219(A)(introductory paragraph), (1), (2), (4), (5), and (8) and (B), to enact R.S. 37:3200(13) and (14), 3207(C) and (D), 3208(C), 3210(E), and 3219(A)(11), and to repeal R.S. 37:3210(B) and 3221, relative to the Louisiana State Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners; to provide for definitions; to provide for duties and powers of the board; to provide for qualifications of applicants; to provide for examinations; to provide for licensure; to provide for licensing by reciprocity; to provide for necessity of a license or permit; to provide for a reinstatement of a license or permit; to provide for fees; to provide for discipline; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 952—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3519(A), 3530(A)(1), and 3561.1(A) and (B) and to enact R.S. 9:3530.1 through 3530.5, relative to consumer loans; to provide for maximum loan finance charges; to provide for an origination fee; to provide for an assistance program; to provide for suspension of penalties; to provide for a credit education program; to provide for the ability to pay; to provide for repayment; to provide for license and renewal fees; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILFORD CARTER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 966(B)(introductory paragraph) and (C)(1)(introductory paragraph), relative to motions for summary judgment; to provide relative to the time delay for filing oppositions; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1017—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:2256.5, relative to retirement benefits received from the Firefighters' Retirement System; to provide with respect to the calculation of the community portion of such benefits; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1068—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4169.1(A)(1)(b) through (e) and to repeal R.S. 33:4169.1(A)(1)(f), relative to municipal and parish authority over collection and disposal of garbage and trash; to provide relative to time contracts for the collection, transportation, and disposal of garbage or trash; to provide relative to the term of such contracts; to repeal requirements relative to issuing a request for proposals or advertising for bids for exclusive contracts; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1134—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:557.1, relative to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System; to provide for the creation of a Back-Deferred Retirement Option Program for certain judges; to provide for qualification; to provide for duration of participation; to provide relative to employer and employee contributions; to provide for calculation of benefit; to provide relative to service credit; and to provide for related matters.

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

House Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 55—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS AND SENATOR PRICE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Lutchter High School girls and boys power lifting teams for winning the Louisiana High School Powerlifting Association 2026 Division II state championships.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns: Name, Yeas, Nays. Lists names of members and their counts for YEAS and NAYS.

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns: Name, Yeas, Nays. Lists names of members and their counts for ABSENT.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 56—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana Lottery Corporation on the occasion of its thirty-fifth anniversary; to acknowledge the contributions of the Louisiana Lottery to public education in the state of Louisiana; and to recognize Rose Hudson for twenty years of distinguished service as president and chief executive officer.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Foil	Morris
Abraham	Harris	Myers
Allain	Hensgens	Owen
Barrow	Hodges	Pressly
Barthelemy	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Bass	Kleinpeter	Reese
Boudreaux	Lambert	Seabaugh
Cathey	Luneau	Selders
Cloud	McMath	Stine
Duplessis	Miguez	Talbot
Edmonds	Miller	Wheat
Fesi	Mizell	Womack

Total - 36

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter	Connick	Jenkins
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Total - 3

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

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

FINANCE

Senator Glen Womack, Chair on behalf of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

April 20, 2026

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

SENATE BILL NO. 235—
BY SENATOR WOMACK

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2191(C) through (E) and to enact R.S. 38:2191(F), relative to payments under contract by public entities; to provide relative to payments due on certain public works contracts; to provide for withholding of liquidated damages; provide for exceptions; to provide for mandamus proceedings; to provide for attorney fees and interest; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 416—
BY SENATOR PRICE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:149(B) and to enact R.S. 11:416(A)(4), relative to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System; to provide relative to the reemployment of retirees to fill certain shortages within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, corrections services; to provide for qualifications; to provide for definitions; to provide for advertisement requirements; to provide for benefits; to provide for contributions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

SENATE BILL NO. 439—
BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2581.4, relative to certain firefighters and fire service employees; to provide relative to precancer screenings for esophageal cancer for certain firefighters and fire service employees; to provide relative to the time period for cancer screening examinations; to provide relative to screens for retired firefighters and fire service employees; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
GLEN WOMACK
Chair

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

RETIREMENT

Senator Edward J. "Ed" Price, Chair on behalf of the Committee on Retirement, submitted the following report:

April 20, 2026

To the President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 33—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WILEY, BRASS, AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2178.1(B), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide relative to the Back-Deferred Retirement Option Plan; to allow for a five-year participation period in certain circumstances; to provide for limitations and requirements; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 34—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WILEY, BRASS, AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:2178(C)(3)(c), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide relative to eligibility for an actuarially reduced retirement benefit; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 35—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WILEY, BRASS, AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2175.1(A)(3)(b) and to enact R.S. 11:2175.1(A)(3)(c), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide relative to the funding deposit account; to provide relative to the authority of the board of trustees; to provide for additional employer contributions to be credited to the account; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 48—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2174(B)(1)(b)(introductory paragraph) and (3)(a) and to enact R.S. 11:2173.1, 2174(B)(6), and 2178(O), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide relative to employer responsibilities; to provide relative to membership in the system; to provide relative to the payment of employee and employer contributions; and to provide for related matters.

April 20, 2026

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD J. "ED" PRICE
Chair

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON

REVENUE AND FISCAL AFFAIRS

Senator Franklin J. Foil, Chair on behalf of the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, submitted the following report:

April 20, 2026

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. 474—
BY REPRESENTATIVE YOUNG
AN ACT

To enact Subpart GGG of Part I of Chapter 1 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 47:120.401, relative to individual income tax return checkoffs for certain donations; to authorize the donation of income tax refund amounts to the Grambling University National Alumni Association; to provide for the administration and disbursement of donated monies by the secretary of the Department of Revenue; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 553—
BY REPRESENTATIVES CARLSON AND CHASSION
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1907(E), (F)(1)(a) and (b), and (G)(1), relative to assessors; to increase the membership of the assessors' certification program committee; to provide for committee member qualifications; to expand the courses eligible to meet the educational requirements for the assessors' professional certification program; to expand courses eligible to meet educational requirements for the recertification of assessors; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 633—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:118(C)(1), (D)(introductory paragraph), (1)(introductory paragraph) and (b), and (2), 287.655(C)(1), (D)(2) and (3), and (G)(introductory paragraph) and (1), and 287.656(A)(1) and (2)(introductory paragraph) and to repeal R.S. 47:118(D)(1)(c), relative to estimated income tax; to calculate the period of underpayment; to assess penalties for an excessive adjustment; to modify requirements to apply for an adjustment for overpayment; to repeal certain calculations for exemptions from a penalty for an underpayment; to provide for applicability; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 758—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2011(A)(1), (D)(22)(b) and (c), and (25), 2014(B), (D)(2), (3), (4), and (7), 2063(J), 2195.3(B), 2289.1(D), 2351.59(B), and (C) and R.S. 37:3154(10), to enact R.S. 30:2014(E), (F), and (G), and to repeal R.S. 30:2014(D)(5) and (6) and 2044(C), relative to Department of Environmental

Quality fees; to provide for new fee structures to be set by the department and for those fees to be promulgated by rules and regulations adopted by the department; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 852—
BY REPRESENTATIVES LYONS AND ECHOLS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:120.37(B) and to enact R.S. 47:120.341(D), relative to individual income tax returns; to provide for tax checkoffs for certain donations; to require that the income tax checkoff for the Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence be inscribed on the income tax form; to provide requirements and limitations; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1088—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:303.1(B)(5) and to enact R.S. 47:305.82, relative to sales and use tax rebates; to authorize a state and local sales and use tax rebate on purchases of certain equipment, machinery, materials, and other items used in aerospace facilities and aerospace activities; to provide for requirements, limitations, and conditions with respect to the rebate; to provide for duties and functions of Louisiana Economic Development and the Department of Revenue with respect to the rebate; to provide for administration of the rebate; to provide for issuance of direct payment numbers to certain taxpayers; to provide for definitions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1179—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:1703.4, relative to ad valorem tax exemptions; to extend eligibility for ad valorem tax exemptions for certain manufacturing activities and facilities; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANKLIN J. FOIL
Chair

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
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SENATE BILL NO. 83—
BY SENATOR EDMONDS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 46:51(16), the introductory paragraph of (16)(b), 2161, and 2161.1 and Children's Code Art. 610(A)(4)(b) and (E)(4) and to enact R.S. 17:419.5, 3996(B)(92), and R.S. 46:51(16)(c), relative to human trafficking; to require each city, parish or other local public school board to adopt a policy to provide for training with respect to the prevention of human trafficking; to provide for training to identify victims; to provide for designation of certain school employees for certain purposes; to provide for assistance and services for child and youth victims of human trafficking; to provide for procedures; to provide for reporting; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 83 by Senator Edmonds

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 4, and insert the following
 "(E)(4) and to enact R.S. 17:419.5, 3996(B)(92), R.S. 46:51(16)(c), and Children's Code Art. 508.1, relative to"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 9, after "procedures;" insert "to provide for investigations;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, line 4, after "child" insert "or youth victim of human trafficking"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, line 5, after "children" insert "or youth"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 6, delete line 16, and insert the following:
 "B. In coordinating these services for the victim, the department
The"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 7, line 20, after "reenacted" insert "and Children's Code Art.508.1 is hereby enacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 7, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:
 "Art. 508.1 Multidisciplinary investigative team; care coordination

A. Care coordination teams shall comply with the rules of multidisciplinary investigative teams in accordance with this Part.

B. Care coordination teams are responsible for the investigation and multidisciplinary coordination of child trafficking cases, accepted by the team in compliance with the team's protocols. Each team shall develop and institute interagency protocols in accordance with Article 510 of this Part.

C.(1) A Care coordination team may obtain all information necessary to perform its official duties from any public agency, department or other organization, including material otherwise made confidential or privileged. Any confidential or privileged material or verbal information obtained by a team member during an investigation shall be disclosed only as necessary to other team members, and shall not be disclosed to any agency or individual not represented on the multidisciplinary team unless otherwise required by law.

(2) Any public or private department, agency, or organization may share with a care coordination entity all information that is made confidential by law when it is needed to provide or secure services under this Chapter. Confidential information shared with or provided to a care coordination entity remains the property of the providing organization.

D. "Care coordination entity" or "care coordination team" means entities that are authorized by Department of Children and Family Services through a procurement contract to provide care coordination services and specialized multidisciplinary teams for victims of human trafficking;pursuant to R.S. 46:51.

On motion of Senator Edmonds, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE BILL NO. 107—

BY SENATOR MORRIS

AN ACT

To provide for a special statewide election to be held on April 17, 2027, for the purpose of submitting proposed constitutional amendments to the electors of the state; to provide for the conduct of such election; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 157—

BY SENATOR JENKINS

AN ACT

To enact Subpart C-1 of Part X of Chapter 2 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 17:1214 and 1215, and R.S. 17:3996(B)(92), relative to parental leave for educators; to provide for paid leave for eligible employees; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements to qualify for parental leave; to provide for compensation and length of time for use of parental leave; to provide for policies and procedures to implement the parental leave; to provide for certain notification; to provide for a special fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 157 by Senator Jenkins

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the beginning of line 4, insert the following: "and to repeal R.S. 17:48, 500.2(A)(1)(b), 1202(A)(1)(b), 1206.2(A)(1)(b), and 1211,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, at the beginning of line 6, delete "17:441(1)(a)" and insert the following: "17:43, 17:411, 17:441, 17:491, 17:1170, 17:1200, or 17:1205"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 12, after "employee's" and before "annual" insert "current or accrued"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 3, after "been" and before "vacated" insert "temporarily"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, at the beginning of line 5, insert "temporarily"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, delete lines 10 through 19, and insert the following:
 "(c) Restore an eligible employee to the same position and same assignment at the same school held before the taking of paid parental leave upon return from such leave.

(d) Allow an eligible employee to use paid parental leave continuously or intermittently, provided that the paid parental leave is used within twelve weeks of the qualifying event.

(e) Prohibit an eligible employee who takes fewer than six weeks, or two hundred-forty hours, of paid parental leave reserving his remaining weeks of paid parental leave for a subsequently occurring qualifying event.

(f) Compensate a full-time employee at the rate of one hundred percent of the employee's base pay pursuant to the salary schedule provided in R.S. 17:418 for a period not to exceed six weeks during the available leave period."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, at the beginning of line 20, change "(f)" to "(g)"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, at the beginning of line 24, change "(g)" to "(h)"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 3, at the beginning of line 26, change "(h)" to "(i)"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, at the beginning of line 29, change "(i)" to "(j)"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 4, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

"(k) At least twelve months must elapse from the beginning of one parental leave period before an employee is eligible for another parental leave period. For a new parental leave period, there must be a new qualifying event on or after the twelve month waiting period."

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 4, delete lines 11 and 12 in their entirety and insert the following: "rights or privileges which the eligible employee may have acquired."

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 5, delete lines 4 through 7, and insert the following:

"(1) Prior to taking paid parental leave, an eligible employee shall submit a request for paid parental leave form thirty days before the qualifying event to the LEA. However, if an eligible employee learns of the qualifying event less than thirty days in advance of the qualifying event then the eligible employee must give written notice of the qualifying event to the LEA as soon as reasonably possible to receive paid parental leave."

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 6, delete lines 12, and 13, in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 6, at the beginning of line 14, insert "F." and change "(2)" to "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 6, at the beginning of line 18, change "(3)" to "(2)"

On motion of Senator Edmonds, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE BILL NO. 171— BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S.38:5.1(A), 20(A) and (B), 84(A) and (B), 2351(A) and (B), 2352(1), the introductory paragraph of 2353(B)(1), 2353(B)(1)(d) and (h) and (2), 2354(A)(1), the introductory paragraph of 2356(A) and 2356(B)(2), and 2358, relative to public works; to provide for realigning of agencies and responsibilities; to provide for the technical changes relative to the Department of Transportation and Development's members of the authority; to provide for Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to Original Senate Bill No. 171 by Senator Pressly

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 3 and 4 and insert , "2352, 2353(B), 2354(A)(1), (B)(1) and (4), (D)(1), and (E)(1), 2355(A)(1) through (4), (B)(6) and (10), and (C), the introductory paragraph of 2356(A), 2356(A)(2), and (B)(2) and (5), and (C), 2358, 2359(B), (D)(2), and (E)(1)(a), and 2360(C) and to repeal R.S. 38:2353(D)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 10 through 13 and insert the following: "Section 1. R.S. 38:5.1(A), 20(A) and (B), 84(A) and (B), 2351(A) and (B), 2352, 2353(B), 2354(A)(1), (B)(1) and (4), (D)(1), and (E)(1), 2355(A)(1) through (4), (B)(6) and (10), and (C), the introductory paragraph of 2356(A), 2356(A)(2), and(B)(2) and (5),

and (C), 2358, 2359(B), (D)(2), and (E)(1)(a), and 2360(C), are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 8, after "for" delete "upland" and insert "upland non coastal"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, line 2, after "in the" delete "upland" and insert "upland non coastal"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, delete line 21 and insert the following"

(2) "Upland Non coastal area" means all land in the state of Louisiana that is not included within the coastal area as defined in R.S. 49:214.2.

(3) "Upland Non coastal parishes" means all parishes of the state, in whole or in part, that are not included within the coastal area as defined in R.S. 49:214.2. These areas are primarily affected by riverine flooding, watershed management, inland navigation, and flood control infrastructure rather than coastal erosion or sea level rise.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, delete lines 25 through 29 and on page 5 delete lines 1 through 11 and insert the following:

"B.(1) The Coordinated Use of Resources for Recreation, Economy, Navigation, and Transportation Authority Board shall consist of no more than sixteen members, selected by the governor, representing the following:

(a) The Red River Waterway District, nominated by the commission;

(b) The office of multimodal commerce. The commissioner shall serve until, or without, express gubernatorial designation of an alternative;

(c) Statewide flood protection. The chief resiliency officer shall serve until, or without, express gubernatorial designation of an alternative;

(d) Louisiana Economic Development. The secretary of the department shall serve until, or without, express gubernatorial designation of an alternative;

(e) The North Louisiana Economic Partnership. The executive director shall serve until, or without, express gubernatorial designation of an alternative;

(f) The Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism. The lieutenant governor shall serve until, or without, express gubernatorial designation of an alternative;

(g) Ports, located within the upland parishes, whole or in part;

(h) A levee board located within the upland parishes, whole or in part;

(i) Duly elected members of the executive branch of local government located within the upland parishes, whole or in part;

(j) The Department of Agriculture and Forestry. The commissioner shall serve until, or without, express gubernatorial designation of an alternative;

(k) Industry operating and located within the upland parishes, whole or in part. The executive directors of the Red River Valley Association and Ouachita River Valley Association, shall serve until, or without, express gubernatorial designation of an alternative;

(l) The Tensas Basin Levee District, nominated by the Tensas Basin Levee District;

(2) The board shall not consist of more than two port directors and no more than two levee boards.

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B.(1)The Coordinated Use of Resources for Recreation, Economy, Navigation, and Transportation Authority Board also known as "C.U.R.R.E.N.T." shall consist of sixteen members as follows:

(a) The lieutenant governor or his designee shall serve as representative of the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism.

(b) The commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry or his designee.

(c) A member appointed by the governor who shall serve as chairman of the board.

(d) The executive director of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Advisory Board or the gubernatorial designee for this appointee shall be a non voting member.

(e) The commissioner of the office of multimodal commerce, Department of Transportation and Development.

(f) Statewide flood protection chief resiliency officer.

(g) A duly elected member of the executive branch of local government located within the non coastal parishes, whole or in part.

(h) Two members nominated from a levee districts located within the non coastal parishes, whole or in part.

(i) A member nominated and from Tensas Basin Levee District.

(j) A member of the Red River Waterway District, nominated by the commission.

(k) The executive director of the Red River Valley Association

(l) The executive director of Ouachita River Valley Association

(m) The executive director of the North Louisiana Economic Partnership.

(n) Two members from ports located within the non coastal parishes, whole or in part.

(2) The members appointed pursuant to Paragraph (1)(c) through (n) of this Subsection shall serve as members of the board unless express gubernatorial designation of an alternative and shall be subject to Senate confirmation.

(3) The board shall consist of no more than two representatives from ports and no more than three representatives from levee districts.

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AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 5, between lines 24 and 25, insert the following:

"B. The board shall develop the master and annual plans in accordance with the following procedure:

(1) The board shall conduct not less than three public hearings in separate locations in the upland non coastal parishes for the purpose of receiving comments and recommendations from the public and elected officials. All public hearings must be held at least sixty days prior to the submission of the plans to the legislature.

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(4) At least seven days prior to each hearing the board shall publish a notice of the hearing in the official journal of each parish within the area of the hearing. The notice of a hearing shall have been published in the official journal of each parish in the upland non coastal area prior to the final scheduled public hearing. The board may provide for additional public hearings when necessary upon at least three days notice published in the official journal of the parishes in the area of the hearing and written notice to the parish governing authorities.

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D.(1) Where feasible, the master plan shall include scientific data and other reasons, including but not limited to the social, geographic, economic, engineering, and biological considerations as to why each project or program was selected for inclusion. Specifically, an explanation shall be included as to how each project or program advances the plan objectives with respect to the protection, conservation, enhancement, and development of the upland non coastal area.

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E(1) After adoption by the board, the master plan shall be submitted to the ~~House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and~~ House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works and the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works meeting jointly for approval. In addition, the annual plan shall be submitted to the ~~House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and~~ House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works and the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works on or before the fifteenth day of the regular legislative session

of each year. The committees shall take action on the annual plan on or before June first of each calendar year.

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§2355. Functions and responsibilities; Coordinated Use of Resources for Recreation, Economy, Navigation, and Transportation Authority Board

A. The board shall:

(1) Represent the state's position on policy relative to the protection, conservation, enhancement, and management of the upland non coastal area of the state through oversight of integrated projects and programs and by addressing activities which could significantly affect integrated projects and programs, all consistent with the legislative intent as expressed in this Title.

(2) Develop, coordinate, make reports on, and provide oversight for a comprehensive upland non coastal area master plan and annual plans, working in conjunction with state agencies, political subdivisions, including flood protection authorities, levee districts, and federal agencies. The master plan shall include a comprehensive strategy addressing the protection, conservation, enhancement, and management of the upland area through the construction and management of integrated projects and programs, all consistent with the legislative intent as expressed in this Chapter. The annual plan shall be developed as the annual implementation of the comprehensive master plan and shall be submitted to the legislature for approval as set forth in R.S. 38:2354. The annual plan shall include a description and status of all projects and programs pertaining to the authority's mission, including privately funded projects or plans, and addressing those activities which significantly affect projects set forth in the plan, all consistent with the legislative intent as expressed in this Title.

(3) ~~Submit to the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and~~ the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works and the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works meeting jointly, the integrated plans developed pursuant to R.S. 38:2354. Upon approval of the plans by the legislative committees and prior to implementation of the plans, in whole or in part, the plans shall be approved by the legislature as provided in R.S. 38:2354(E).

(4) Develop procedures in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act and take actions against any entity, including political subdivisions, to enforce compliance with the comprehensive master upland non coastal area plan. Such procedures and actions may include but are not limited to determinations of noncompliance; appeal from such determinations; the taking of administrative action, including the withholding of funds; and civil action, including the seeking of injunctive relief, or any other remedy necessary to ensure compliance with the plan.

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B. The board may:

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(6) Approve all requests for programs and projects in the upland non coastal area, insofar as such requests are for funds to be appropriated from the funds available to the authority.

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(10) Enter into any agreement with a parish governing authority located wholly or partially within the coastal area but which is not part of a levee district for the construction, operation, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of any upland non coastal protection, conservation and restoration, hurricane protection, infrastructure, storm damage reduction, integrated coastal protection, or flood control project. The board shall have the power to provide in the agreement for the use and exercise by the parish governing authority of all powers of levee districts or levee and drainage districts.

C. Approval by the board shall be required for any request by a state agency or department for any funds to finance research, programs, mitigation, or projects involving integrated protection, including hurricane protection or the conservation and restoration, of upland non coastal areas. However, this Subsection shall not affect self-generated or dedicated funds.

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AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 5, after line 29, insert the following:

(2) ~~Serve as the implementation arm of the Statewide Flood Control Program in R.S. 38:90.1 et seq., and for other functions of the department outside of the coastal area. The authority shall be~~ Be directed by the policy set by the Coordinated Use of Resources for Recreation, Economy, Navigation, and Transportation Authority Board."

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 6, between line 10 and 11 insert the following:

"(5) The executive director, or in his discretion a subordinate or subordinates, shall administer the programs, projects, and activities approved for funding by the Coordinated Use of Resources for Recreation, Economy, Navigation, and Transportation Authority Board relating to and affecting an integrated upland non coastal system, including conservation, restoration, creation, and enhancement of upland non coastal areas, storm damage reduction, flood control, infrastructure, economic development, and navigation in Louisiana's upland non coastal areas as provided by law and as provided in the master and annual plans, and other special programs as may be directed by the board.

C. Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to diminish or impair the constitutional, statutory, or contractual authority of any levee district, drainage district, navigation district, or port commission operating within the upland non coastal area. The authority shall coordinate with such entities to the greatest extent practicable."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 6, line 19, after "within the" delete "upland" and insert "upland non coastal"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 6, after line 20, insert the following:
"§2359. Functions and responsibilities; Coordinated Use of Resources for Recreation, Economy, Navigation, and Transportation Authority

B. The authority shall implement projects in the upland non coastal area as approved by the board and consistent with the legislative intent of this Chapter. However, no project shall be undertaken except those included in an annual plan finally approved by the legislature in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 38:2354, regardless of the source of funds for the project, except in cases of projects undertaken and financed out of the emergency fund, established in the annual plan. An emergency for which such fund shall be used shall be defined by the Coordinated Use of Resources for Recreation, Economy, Navigation, and Transportation Authority Board and all funds shall be spent only in accord with procedures established by the authority board for such fund. All projects undertaken pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter shall be either funded through the Statewide Flood Program, the state general fund, or other sources of funding available to the authority, including but not limited to direct federal aid, grants, gifts, and other donations received by the state for the purposes of this Chapter.

D. The authority may:

(2) Acquire by purchase, donation, or otherwise any land rights needed for integrated upland non coastal area projects and other property required for the operation of the projects that are to be owned and operated by the office or political subdivision of the state; provided, that any property acquired for any project may reserve the minerals to the landowners, whether private or public, in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 31:149.

E.(1) The board or the authority shall be authorized to solely utilize the science and technology capacity of Louisiana universities, the water institute, and other institutes within the state to enhance programs, projects, and activities for the following purposes:

(a) To identify any uncertainty related to the physical, chemical, geological, biological, or cultural baseline conditions in the upland non coastal area.

§2360. Infrastructure priority program; applications; evaluations

C. The applications submitted by agencies shall be evaluated by the board which shall hold no less than three public hearings in separate locations within the upland non coastal area for the purpose of receiving public testimony and comment from requesting authorities and citizens regarding the proposed infrastructure projects. Such hearings may be held at the same time and location as hearings set for public comment on the annual plan. The authority shall prioritize and rank such applications. The authority shall provide its application evaluations to the board. Section 2. R.S. 38:2353(D) is hereby repealed."

On motion of Senator Abraham, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 269— BY SENATOR EDMONDS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:282.3, relative to student success; to provide for preventive education and high school programs of study; to provide for success sequence; to provide for definitions; to provide for methods; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for rules; to provide for guidance; to provide for dissemination of information and materials; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 278— BY SENATOR EDMONDS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:667(I)(1)(b), relative to seizure and suspension of driver's license following arrest; to provide relative to reinstatement after suspension; to provide relative to operating while impaired; to provide relative to ignition interlock devices; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 281— BY SENATOR BARROW

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9038.71(B), relative to the Baker Economic Development District; to provide relative to the boundaries of the district; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 281 by Senator Barrow

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 10, after "all" insert "non-residential"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 11, after "boundaries of the" change "City" to "city" and after "Baker" insert ", excluding parcels of land used in whole or in part for residential purposes"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 17, after "2004" delete the remainder of the line and insert the following: "and from said point of beginning, the district"

shall extend southerly along both sides of Plank Road, encompassing all non-residential parcels which directly abut Plank Road, continuing through the southern corporate limits of the city of Baker, crossing Thomas Road, and extending further south into the unincorporated area of East Baton Rouge Parish at Clark Street a point determined as the parcel fronting Plank Road contiguous to the corridor and the following described parcels or tracts of land located in"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 1, change "Baker, referred to in this Section as the "property;" to "Baker, referred to in this Section as the "property":."

On motion of Senator Luneau, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 282—

BY SENATOR BARROW

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:9038.82, relative to cooperative economic development in and around Baton Rouge Community College; to provide for the creation of special taxing districts for such purposes; to provide for the governance and powers and duties of such a district, including the authority to levy taxes and special assessments; to authorize such a district to incur debt and to pledge tax increments to repayment thereof; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 290—

BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3911(C)(5), relative to the data collection system; to provide relative to the process required for the state Department of Education to change certain information assigned to a student; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 319—

BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:431(A)(1)(b)(iii) and (B)(1), 433(A)(3), 562(A)(2), 571(A)(8), 573(E), and 1309(D); to provide for course of instruction for commissioners; to provide for instructions to voters without picture identification; to provide for identification documentation requirements for voters; to provide for voting termination procedures; to provide for election result evidence; to provide for early voting voter verification identification; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 319 by Senator Pressly

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 7, between "identification;" and "and", insert "to provide for an effective date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, line 22, delete "certificate" and replace with "notice".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, between lines 1 and 2, insert:

"(e) If the applicant does not have one of the forms of identification provided in Subparagraphs (a) through (d) of this Paragraph, the applicant shall go to any office of the registrar of voters in the parish in which the applicant is registered to cast a conditional paper ballot no later than 8:00 p.m. on election day. No later than 4:30 pm on the second day following the election, the applicant shall also appear in person to present to the registrar of voters a form of identification as provided in 18:562(A)(2)(a) through (d).

(f) All conditional paper ballots shall be presented to the Parish Board of Election Supervisors for counting or rejection prior to the compilation of returns pursuant to R.S. 18:574 at the office of the registrar of voters or at a public facility within the parish designated by the parish board of election supervisors. If the applicant has presented identification in accordance with this Subsection, the board shall count the conditional paper ballot. If the applicant failed to present identification in accordance with this Subsection, the board shall reject the conditional paper ballot.

(g) The secretary of state shall promulgate rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Section."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 8, line 12, delete "certificate" and replace with "notice".

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 8, between lines 20 and 21, insert:

"(e) If the voter does not have one of the forms of identification provided in Subparagraph (D)(1)(a)(i) through (d) of this Paragraph, the voter shall cast a conditional paper ballot. No later than 4:30 pm on the second day following the election, the voter shall also appear in person to present to the registrar of voters a form of identification as provided in 18:562(A)(2)(a) through (d).

(f) All conditional paper ballots shall be presented to the Parish Board of Election Supervisors for counting or rejection prior to the compilation of returns pursuant to R.S. 18:574 at the office of the registrar of voters or at a public facility within the parish designated by the parish board of election supervisors. The registrar of voters shall present the conditional paper ballot to the parish board of election supervisors for counting on the third day after the election. If the voter has presented identification in accordance with this Subsection, the board shall count the conditional paper ballot. If the voter failed to present identification in accordance with this Subsection, the board shall reject the conditional paper ballot.

(g) The secretary of state shall promulgate rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Section."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 8, line 21, change the "~~(e)(e)~~" to "~~(e)(h)~~"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 9, below line 1, insert the following:
Section 2. This Act shall become effective on February 1, 2027.

On motion of Senator Kleinpeter, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 331—

BY SENATOR OWEN

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:1855(Q), relative to the Louisiana Scenic Rivers Act; to provide for natural and scenic rivers; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Natural Resources.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Natural Resources to Original Senate Bill No. 331 by Senator Owen

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 9, change "2033" to "2031"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 13, after "River" and before "from" insert "and its tributaries"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 16, after "River" and before "from" insert "and its tributaries"

On motion of Senator Hensgens, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 408— BY SENATOR MYERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1034.2(B), (C), and (F), 1201(E), 1203(B), 1203.2, and R.S. 44:4.1(B)(12) and to enact R.S. 23:1021(14), 1142(F) and Subpart K of Part 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 23:1200.18 through 1200.26, relative to workers' compensation; to establish an All Workers' Compensation Medical Claims Database; to provide for duties of the Louisiana Works, office of workers' compensation administration; to provide for mandatory reporting of medical and pharmacy claims data; to provide for rulemaking; to provide for confidentiality and data protections; to provide for public record exceptions; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to Original Senate Bill No. 408 by Senator Myers

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "1203(B)," insert "1203.1(J)(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "23:1021(14)" delete ", 1142(F)" and insert "and (15)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 13, after "1203(B)" insert ", and 1203.1(J)(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 14, after "23:1021(14)" delete "and 1142(F)" and insert "and (15)"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, between lines 5 and 6, insert: "(15) "Payor" means the entity responsible by law or contract for payment of the medical expenses incurred by or on behalf of an employee as a result of a work injury or occupational disease compensable under this Chapter."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, between lines 27 and 28, insert: "(3) For any drugs, supplies, hospital care and services, medical and surgical treatment, and any nonmedical treatment recognized by the laws of this state as legal and due under this Chapter for which reimbursement is not provided pursuant to Paragraphs B(1) and B(2) of this Section, reimbursement shall be the mean of the usual and customary payment for such.

Reimbursement under this Subsection may be established by the assistant secretary based on the mean of the usual and customary reimbursement and pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, at the beginning of line 28, change "(3)" to "(4)"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, at the beginning of line 24, change "(4)" to "(5)"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 3, between lines 25 and 26, insert: "(6) Pending approval by the House and Senate Labor Committees of the fee schedule adopted under this Section, reimbursement for drugs, supplies, hospital care and services, medical and surgical treatment, and any nonmedical treatment recognized by the laws of this state as legal and due under this Chapter shall be governed by the law in effect prior to the effective date of this Section."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 7, between lines 6 and 7, insert: "(6) The assistant secretary shall promulgate rules and forms pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act necessary to implement the dispute resolution process provided for under this Subsection no later than January 1, 2028."

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 7, delete lines 8 through 29

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 8, line 10, change "employer" to "employer payor"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 8, line 11, after "as" change "defined by rules promulgated" to "defined by rules promulgated required by administrative rules promulgated"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 9, line 4, change "annually" to "annually"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 9, between lines 8 and 9, insert: "§1203.1. Definitions; medical treatment schedule; medical advisory council

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J.(1) After a medical provider has submitted to the payor the request for authorization and the information required by the Louisiana Administrative Code, Title 40, Chapter 27, the payor shall notify the medical provider of their its action on the request within five business days of receipt of the request. If any dispute arises after January 1, 2011, Any request for authorization of office visits, diagnostic testing, chiropractic therapy of twelve or less or physical therapy of twelve days or less is considered authorized and approved by the payor if it has not been specifically denied within five business days. Upon expiration of five business days of submission of a request for authorization of non-surgical treatment, the healthcare provider that made the request may notify the director of the office of workers' compensation that no denial of authorization has occurred on a form promulgated by the office of workers' compensation, and within five business days of receipt of such notice the director of the office of workers' compensation shall issue an order directing that the requested treatment, procedure or testing is authorized, if it is found that the medical provider properly submitted to the payor the request for authorization along with the information required by Chapter 27 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Administrative Code. If the payor has timely denied authorization and a dispute arises as to whether the recommended care, services, or treatment is in accordance with the medical treatment schedule, or whether a variance from the medical treatment schedule is reasonably required as contemplated in Subsection I of this Section, any aggrieved party shall file, within fifteen calendar days, an appeal with the office of

workers' compensation administration medical director or associate medical director on a form promulgated by the assistant secretary. The medical director or associate medical director shall render a decision as soon as is practicable, but in no event, not more than thirty calendar days from the date of filing.

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 11, delete lines 28 and 29, and insert "**and security laws.**"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 13, line 21, change "**October 1, 2026**" to "**July 1, 2027**"

On motion of Senator Seabaugh, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE BILL NO. 415—

BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

AN ACT

To enact Subpart E of Part II of Chapter 3 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 46:290, relative to food purchase cards; to create the Empower Louisiana Food Purchase Program; to provide for the duties of the Louisiana Department of Health; to provide for criteria for nonprofit organization participation; to provide for funding; to provide for records; to provide for reporting; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Bill No. 415 by Senator Abraham

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

"(2) Accept charitable contributions to support the program."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 15, change "**(2)**" to "**(3)**"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 18, change "**D.**" to "**D.(1)**"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

"(2) Benefits provided pursuant to this Section shall be considered charitable food assistance and shall not be construed as wages, compensation, or remuneration to the recipient.

E. The department shall establish uniform guidelines and operating standards for the program."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 21, change "**E.**" to "**F.**"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, at the end of line 29, delete "**The**"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, delete lines 1 and 2 and insert the following: "**The department may review, monitor, and inspect records as necessary for the provisions of this Section. Any recipient information collected pursuant to this Section shall be confidential and shall not be used for solicitation, marketing, or any purpose not related to the program.**"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, line 3, change "**2028**" to "**2027**"

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted.

On motion of Senator Abraham, the amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 419—

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:116(C), relative to pre-charged pneumatic devices; to provide for taking of deer; to provide for special deer seasons; to provide for commission authority; to provide for primitive firearms; to provide for minimum projectile size, weight, and energy; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 425—

BY SENATOR MORRIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1411(A), (B), (C), and 1412(A) and to enact R.S. 42:1412(E), relative to removal of certain public officials; to provide for grounds for removal; to provide for procedure to remove an official by suit; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 425 by Senator Morris

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 8, change "**negligence**" to "**misconduct**"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, line 11, delete "**or in the Nineteenth Judicial District**"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 17, delete "**, or in the Nineteenth Judicial District**"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 21, delete "**, or in the Nineteenth Judicial District**"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 26, after "**legislature.**" and before "**If**", insert the following: "**No civil suit to remove a public official under the provisions of this Section shall be instituted by the attorney general unless the House of Representatives or the Senate, by two-thirds vote of its elected members, affirmatively authorizes the attorney general to institute a specific suit under the provisions of this Section to remove the public official.**"

On motion of Senator Kleinpeter, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 431—

BY SENATOR FOIL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:1734(F) and to enact R.S. 32:1734(G), relative to towing and storage company hours; to provide for requirements for towing and storage companies; to provide for business hours relative to towing and storage of vehicles; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to Original Senate Bill No. 431 by Senator Foil

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 11, after "F." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 12 and 13 and insert the following: "If a towing or storage company does not have a person available to provide for the release of vehicles or personal property for a minimum of four hours on Saturdays and Sundays, the towing and storage company shall not charge storage fees for those days."

On motion of Senator Abraham, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 433—

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 46:460.38, relative to Medicaid coverage of certain medications; to require Medicaid coverage of FDA-approved weight loss medications; to provide for qualifying patients; to provide for coverage restrictions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Bill No. 433 by Senator Boudreaux

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 12 and 13 and insert "recipient over the age of eighteen that has a body mass index of thirty-five to thirty-nine and at least one associated"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete line 16

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following: "F. Implementation of this Section is subject to the appropriation of funds by the legislature for this purpose."

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE BILL NO. 435—

BY SENATOR MYERS

AN ACT

To enact Subpart C of Part II of Chapter 3 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 46:261, relative to the Louisiana Commission on Fatherhood Engagement; to establish the commission within the office of the governor; to provide for the membership, powers, and duties of the commission; to provide for interagency cooperation; to provide for a termination date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 436—

BY SENATOR CLOUD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:306.6, relative to aviation fuel taxes; to provide for annual estimates of aviation fuel taxes; to provide for rules and regulations relative to aviation fuel tax; to provide for reporting of aviation fuel taxes; and to provide for related

matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 450—

BY SENATOR EDMONDS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:409.3(A) and (C), R.S. 29:726.6(B)(2), and R.S. 44:4.1(B)(9) and to enact R.S. 17:409.3(D) and (E) and 416.16.2, relative to school safety; to provide for mandatory reporting of certain threats of violence or terrorism; to provide for physical security school assessments of certain elementary and secondary schools; to provide with respect to public schools, charter schools, and nonpublic schools; to provide for options of consideration; to provide for confidentiality; to provide for limitation of liability; to provide with respect to the admissibility of certain evidence; to provide with respect to grant programs for security measures; to provide with respect to confidentiality of certain public records; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE BILL NO. 451—

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the heading of Chapter 30-A of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and R.S. 46:2261, 2262, the introductory paragraph of 2262.1, 2262.1(4) and (12), and 2263 through 2267, relative to newborn hearing screening; to update terminology and definitions; to provide for the purpose of early hearing detection and intervention; to provide for the membership, terms, and reimbursement for the advisory council; to provide for powers and duties of the advisory council; to update rulemaking authority; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 458—

BY SENATOR MCMATH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:9612.2, relative to local ethics entities; to provide for the use of taxes imposed for local ethics entities; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 468—

BY SENATOR SEABAUGH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 51:422.1(F), relative to fuel points discount limits; to provide for the sale of motor fuel to participants of fuel rewards programs; to prohibit a limit on the allowable discount of fuel purchased with fuel rewards points; to prohibit a limit on the value of fuel rewards points earned through a fuel rewards program; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 474—

BY SENATOR MILLER

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 54 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:3111.1 through 3111.9, relative to artificial intelligence; to provide for the Protecting Louisiana's Infrastructure from Artificial Intelligence Risk Act;

to provide for transparency requirements of certain artificial intelligence models; to provide for catastrophic risk management; to provide for critical safety incident reporting; to provide for whistleblower protections; to provide for penalties; to provide relative to the Public Records Law; to provide for terms, conditions, and definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 479—
BY SENATOR MORRIS

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 21-A of Title 42 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 42:1421 through 1423, relative to removal of public officials; to provide for removal of certain elected or temporarily appointed judges or a Louisiana Supreme Court justice by legislative address; to provide relative to procedures; to provide for definitions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 482—
BY SENATOR REESE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:2925(A)(1), (3), (6), and (7) and the introductory paragraph of 2926(A) and (B)(1) and to enact R.S. 17:2926(D), (E), and (F), relative to public middle and high school students; to provide with respect to individual graduation plans for students; to authorize the use of career coaches and career coaching vendors; to require the state Department of Education to publish certain information on the department's website; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 482 by Senator Reese

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 14, and insert "parent or legal guardian, and school counselor, or career coach, and for a student"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 9, after "guardian" insert a comma ", " and change "and" to "and" and after "counselor" insert a comma ", "

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, at the beginning of line 10, before "career coach" change "and" to "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete line 17, and insert "his parent or legal guardian, and the school counselor, or the career coach."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 19, after "counselor" change "and" to "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 28, after "counselors" change "and" to "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, line 3, after "counselors" change "and" to "or"

On motion of Senator Edmonds, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 484—
BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:2048.51(A), (E), (F), (G)(1)(a)(i), (J), the introductory paragraph of 2018.51(O)(1), (2), and (3)(c), 3128.1(A), (B), (C), 3129.4(A), (B), (C)(2), 3138(A), (B), and (E), and 3138.4(A)(1), (B), the introductory paragraph of (C)(1) and (1)(a), and (b), and (3), 3138.5 (B)(1), (D)(1), (2), and the introductory paragraph of (D)(4) and (4)(f), and (5), (E) and (F), 3189.9(A)(3) and (5), (B)(1) and (C), and 3452 and 3454(A), R.S. 39:128(B)(1) and (4)(a)(i), and R.S. 42:375.2(A), the introductory paragraph of (B) and (B)(1), (C), and (D)(3) and to enact R.S. 17:3128.1(D), 3129.4(D), 3138(G), 3138.4(D), R.S. 36:309(E)(3) and (4), and R.S. 42:375.2(D)(4) and to repeal R.S. 36:651(F)(6) and (L)(1)(a), relative to higher education and the duties of the Board of Regents; to transfer of certain powers duties and functions from the Board of Regents to other agencies; to provide with respect to the Louisiana Health Works Commission; to provide with respect to incubator facilities on postsecondary campuses; to provide with respect to the Louisiana Education Tuition and Savings Plan and Fund; to provide with respect to the state common admission application for postsecondary institutions; to provide with respect to Hunger-Free campus designations; to provide with respect to Purple Star Campus designations; provides with respect to the Cybersecurity Talent Initiative Fund and the Cybersecurity Education Management Council; provides with respect to the Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium; to provide with respect to agency attrition analysis; to provide with respect to the minor repairs, renovation, or construction of facilities undertaken on higher education campuses; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Education to Original Senate Bill No. 484 by Senator Abraham

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 3 through 5, and insert the following: "paragraph of 2018.51(O)(1), (2), and (3)(c), 3128.1(A), (B), (C), 3138(A), (B), and (E), and 3138.5 (B)(1), (D)(1), (2), and the introductory"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 9, delete "3129.4(D),"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, delete lines 9 through 11, of 2048.51(O)(1), (2), and (3)(c), 3128.1(A), (B), (C), 3138(A), (B), and (E), and, 3138.5 (B)(1), (D)(1), (2), and the introductory paragraph of (D)(4) and (4)(f), and (5),"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 14, delete "3129.4(D),"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 5, delete lines 5 through line 29

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 7, delete 5 through 29

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 8, delete lines 1 through 29, and insert the following: "§3138.5. Purple Star Campus; designation; process; eligibility; applications

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B.(1) The ~~Board of Regents~~ **Department of Veterans Affairs** shall establish a process for a postsecondary education institution to be designated as a "Purple Star Campus".

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D.(1) The ~~Board of Regents~~ **Department of Veterans Affairs** shall develop an application process, including time lines for

submitting applications, for institutions that are interested in receiving the designation specified in Paragraph (B)(1) of this Section.

(2) The ~~Board of Regents~~ Department of Veterans Affairs shall review each application and shall submit such applications to the governor along with a written report that indicates if an institution meets the requirements specified in Subsections B and C of this Section to receive the initial designation by the governor.

(4) After receiving the initial designation by the governor and in accordance with timelines established by the ~~board department~~, an institution shall submit a renewal application to the ~~Board of Regents~~ Department of Veterans Affairs prior to the expiration of a designation and an interim report in each year it is not submitting a renewal application. Each renewal application and interim report shall include, at a minimum, all of the following information from the previous year as it relates to veterans:

(f) Other military friendly information identified by the ~~Board of Regents~~ Department of Veterans Affairs.

(5) If The ~~Board of Regents~~ Department of Veterans Affairs determines that the institution meets the requirements specified in Subsections B and C of this Section based on its renewal application, the institution shall receive the designation for that year. If the ~~Board of Regents~~ Department of Veterans Affairs determines that an institution does not meet the specified requirements, the ~~board department~~ shall provide written notice to the institution and the institution shall have forty-five days from receipt of the notice to correct or amend its renewal application. If the institution does not submit a corrected or amended application or if the corrected or amended application does not meet the requirements as determined by the ~~board department~~, the institution shall not receive the designation for that year.

E. The ~~Board of Regents~~ Department of Veterans Affairs may establish additional tiers of distinction for the purpose of recognizing higher levels of excellence demonstrated by institutions that have received the designation provided for in this Section. If the ~~board department~~ establishes additional tiers, it shall provide for the criteria for each tier and the associated application process.

F. For purposes of this Section, "veteran" shall have the meaning as provided in R.S. 13:5364.

AMENDMENT NO. 8
On page 9, delete lines 1 through 29

AMENDMENT NO. 9
On page 10, delete lines 1 through 2

AMENDMENT NO. 10
On page 12, delete line 17, and insert the following: "cost or purchase price is less than or equal to ~~one~~ two million dollars, adjusted annually"

AMENDMENT NO. 11
On page 13, line 2, after "successor." insert "Each postsecondary management board shall report projects initiated under the provisions of this section when the construction cost or purchase price is between two hundred and fifty thousand and two million dollars to the Board of Regents on a monthly basis."

AMENDMENT NO. 12
On page 13, line 18, after "treasurer." insert "Each postsecondary management board shall report projects initiated under the provisions of this section to the Board of Regents on a monthly basis."

On motion of Senator Edmonds, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 490—
BY SENATOR HENSGENS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 45:1231.1, relative to private use electrical networks; to provide for the construction and operation of generation and storage facilities serving industrial and digital infrastructure customers; to provide for nonutility status; to provide for backup and export interconnections; to require the Louisiana Public Service Commission to adopt implementing rules; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 490 by Senator Hensgens

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 17, delete "used primarily to serve" and insert "primarily dedicated to serving"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, delete lines 6 through 9 and insert:
"(3) "Primarily dedicated" means that, measured on a rolling twelve-month basis, and notwithstanding deviations resulting from scheduled maintenance, force majeure, customer commissioning, or customer ramp-up, at least fifty percent of either the annual net electrical energy output of the private use electrical network, or the contract nameplate capacity of the network, is committed to serving one or more identified load customers under a written agreement with an initial term of five years or greater."

B. For purposes of this Section, retail sale of electricity shall not include the delivery or sale of electricity from a private use electrical network, or its owner or operator, to an identified load customer that is served by that network, regardless of the form of the commercial arrangement, including without limitation a power purchase agreement, energy services agreement, lease, tolling agreement, or affiliate transaction.

C. A private use electrical network shall not be deemed a public utility. The owner or operator thereof shall not be subject to regulation by the Louisiana Public Service Commission as a public utility and shall not be subject to any exclusive retail franchise, certificated service territory, or retail service right of any electric public utility, electric cooperative, or municipal electric provider, solely because the network satisfies one or more of the following:

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, line 16, after "ancillary service," insert "capacity market,"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 2, between lines 18 and 19, insert:
"D. Participation by a private use electrical network in any wholesale market, ancillary service, capacity market, emergency service, or reliability program administered by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator or any successor regional transmission organization shall not cause the network, its output, or any portion thereof to be characterized as a public utility service or retail sale."

AMENDMENT NO. 5
On page 2, line 19, change "C." to "E."

AMENDMENT NO. 6
On page 2, line 22, change "D." to "F."

AMENDMENT NO. 7
On page 2, line 25, change "E." to "G."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, between lines 27 and 28, insert:

"H. Upon receipt of a complete interconnection application from a private use electrical network for backup, standby, reliability, or export service, the interconnecting electric utility shall complete all required interconnection studies and execute an interconnection agreement within one hundred eighty days. Failure by the utility to act within such period shall entitle the applicant to petition the commission for an order compelling interconnection on just and reasonable terms.

I. A declaration of nonjurisdiction issued by the commission pursuant to this Section, or deemed issued pursuant to Subsection K of this Section, shall be binding on the commission and all parties, shall not be subject to collateral attack, and shall survive any subsequent change in the ownership, financing, affiliate structure, or customer identity of the private use electrical network, provided that the private use electrical network continues to satisfy the definition set forth in Paragraph (A)(1) of this Section and remains primarily dedicated to serving one or more identified load customers. The commission may revoke such declaration only upon a finding, after notice and hearing, that the network no longer satisfies these requirements.

J. An applicant for a declaration of nonjurisdiction under this Section may request confidential treatment of the identity of any identified load customer prior to public announcement of the project and may request power purchase agreement pricing and commercial terms submitted in support of the application. The commission shall grant such requests upon a showing that public disclosure would cause competitive harm to the applicant or its customer. The commission shall not publicly disclose information granted confidential treatment under this Subsection.

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, delete lines 28 and 29 and on page 3, delete lines 1 through 8 and insert:

"K. The Louisiana Public Service Commission shall adopt rules in accordance with the provisions of this Section no later than one hundred eighty days after the effective date, that shall include but not be limited to:

(1) An expedited process for issuance of a declaration of nonjurisdiction for a private use electrical network.

(2) A requirement that the commission issue a determination within thirty days of receipt of a complete application, which shall be deemed approved if the commission fails to act within such period.

(3) Nondiscriminatory tariffs and interconnection procedures for backup, standby, maintenance, and export service for a private use electrical network."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, line 9, change "Section 3." to "Section 2."

On motion of Senator Mizell, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 492—

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 31:149(I), relative to mineral rights; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 501—

BY SENATOR JACKSON-ANDREWS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:3384.1, relative to public postsecondary education institutions; to provide for the posting of certain information; to provide information and resources for STI prevention, screening, and treatment; to provide relative to the design and content of the poster; to provide for requirements; to provide for donations; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for

related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 504—

BY SENATOR CARTER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:2925(A)(4), (5), (6), and (7) and to enact R.S. 17:2925(A)(8) and (9), (D), and (E), relative to Individual Graduation Plans; to provide relative to information on vocational training opportunities; to provide for parent and legal guardian requesting authority; to provide relative to resources; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education. The bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committees

HOUSE BILL NO. 129—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WALTERS AND GREEN

AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 173 from Elder Street and North Holtzman Avenue to Common Street as the "Dr. Harry Blake, Sr. Memorial Highway" in Caddo Parish; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 3194 in Caddo Parish as the "Virginia Green Evans Memorial Highway"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to Engrossed House Bill No. 129 by Representative Walters

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "designate" delete the remainder of the line, delete line 3 in its entirety, and at the beginning of line 4, delete "Caddo Parish; to designate"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 8 through 10 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, at the beginning of line 11, change "Section 2." to "Section 1."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the beginning of line 14, change "Section 3." to "Section 2."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, at the end of line 15, after "reflecting" change "these designations" to "this designation"

On motion of Senator Abraham, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 130—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS

AN ACT

To redesignate the elevated portion of Interstate 220 in Caddo Parish as the "American Legion Post No. 14 Memorial Bridge"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to Engrossed House Bill No. 130 by Representative Walters

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "Bridge"; insert "to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 173 in Caddo Parish as the "Dr. Harry Blake, Sr. Memorial Highway;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 6, change "Section 1." to "Section 1.(A)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 9, change "Section 2." to "(B)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, after line 13, insert the following: "Section 2.(A) The portion of Louisiana Highway 173 beginning at the intersection of Elder St. and North Holtzman Avenue, extending to Common St., all in Shreveport, Louisiana, Caddo Parish shall be known and is hereby designated as the "Dr. Harry Blake, Sr. Memorial Highway".

(B) The Department of Transportation and Development or its contractors are hereby directed to erect and maintain appropriate signage reflecting this designation provided local or private monies are received by the department equal to the department's actual cost for material, fabrication, mounting posts, and installation of the signage, not to exceed the sum of hundred fifty dollars per sign."

On motion of Senator Abraham, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 232—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARLSON, AMEDEE, BAYHAM, BILLINGS, BOYER, CHASSION, CREWS, EGAN, GREEN, HEBERT, HORTON, LAFLEUR, TERRY LANDRY, LYONS, MARCELLE, MELERINE, MOORE, MURRAY, NEWELL, OWEN, TAYLOR, WILDER, AND WYBLE AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:181, 184(introductory paragraph) and (2)(a), 187, and 191 and to repeal R.S. 23:183, 184(1), and 188, relative to employment certificates for minors; to provide for the creation of employment certificate forms; to provide for the collection of employment certificate forms; to establish requirements for employment certificate forms; to provide for the validity and maintenance of employment certificates; to provide for the revocation of employment certificates; to remove requirements of schools and school boards issuing, approving, and maintaining employment certificates; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 331—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:463.243, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to establish the "Louisiana GOP" special prestige license plate; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 334—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1553(G), to enact R.S. 49:191(3)(b), and to repeal R.S. 49:191(1)(f), relative to Louisiana Works, including provisions to provide for the re-creation of Louisiana Works and the statutory entities made a part of the department by law; to provide for the effective termination date for all statutory authority for the existence of such statutory entities; to provide for the re-authorization of the Incumbent Worker Training Program within Louisiana Works; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 346—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHAMERHORN, ADAMS, BACALA, BAGLEY, BAMBURG, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOUDREAUX, BOURRIQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRAUD, BROUSSARD, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, CREWS, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DICKERSON, ECHOLS, EDMONSTON, FIRMENT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GADBERRY, GLORIOSO, GREEN, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, ILLG, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KNOX, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, MCFARLAND, MELERINE, MENA, MOORE, MURRAY, ORGERON, OWEN, PHELPS, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, STAGNI, TARVER, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, TURNER, VILLIO, WALTERS, WILEY, WYBLE, AND ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To redesignate a portion of United States Highway 171 from Louisiana Highway 118 to Sandra Lane in Florien, Louisiana, as the "Speaker Joe R. Salter Memorial Highway"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 356—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE AN ACT

To designate the elevated portion of Louisiana Highway 315, commonly referred to as the Bayou Dularge Bascule Bridge, over the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway in Terrebonne Parish, city of Houma, as the "Elward T. Brady, Jr. Memorial Bridge"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 537—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 23:1294 and R.S. 36:309(B)(2), relative to the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council; to repeal the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 576—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 49:141 and to enact Chapter 5-S of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 25:380.161 through 380.166, relative to the Old Governor's Mansion; to transfer the Old Governor's Mansion to the Department of State; to provide for the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the secretary of state and the department; to provide relative to operations and funding; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The was read by title and referred to the

Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 587—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:463.243, relative to motor vehicle prestige license plates; to establish the "PANS/PANDAS" specialty license plate; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; to provide for the deposit of royalty proceeds into the state general fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 629—

BY REPRESENTATIVES LYONS, BOYD, BRASS, BRAUD, BROUSSARD, CHASSION, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, GREEN, KNOX, LAFLEUR, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, MURRAY, SPELL, TAYLOR, WALTERS, AND WILEY
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:463.243, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to establish the "Krewe of Athena" specialty license plate; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, fees, implementation, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plate; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 652—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:421(B)(5) through (15), (C), and (E)(4) and to enact R.S. 56:421(B)(16), relative to the Oyster Task Force; to add one member to the task force appointed by the commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry; to add the Department of Agriculture and Forestry as an entity that receives recommendations from the task force relative to the oyster industry and production; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 653—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:421(B)(10) and (E)(4), relative to the Oyster Task Force; to provide for the membership of the task force; to add the Department of Agriculture and Forestry as an entity that receives recommendations from the task force relative to the oyster industry; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 661—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1119(B)(2)(a)(vii), relative to nepotism; to provide an exception for a local school board to hire an immediate family member of a board member or the superintendent as a paraprofessional, custodian, or cafeteria worker under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 726—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOMANGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2531.1(A), relative to littering by abandoning a vessel; to double the penalty for any person found guilty of gross littering by abandoning a boat or other vessel; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 756—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:851.4(A)(2) through (7), (10), and (12), 851.10, 851.29, 855.2, and 855.3(A), relative to personal watercraft; to provide relative to the careless operation of watercraft; to provide relative to collisions on the waterways; to provide relative to enforcement and regulation; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 767—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:268 and 3002(A)(7) and (B)(9), relative to recreational alligator hunting licenses; to provide for recreational alligator harvest lottery; to provide for the fee and dedication to the Conservation Fund; to provide for a recreational license; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 801—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MARTINEZ, ADAMS, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOUDREAUX, BOYER, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARPENTER, CARRIER, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSION, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, FISHER, FREIBERG, GREEN, HEBERT, HENRY, JACKSON, MIKE JOHNSON, LACOMBE, JACOB LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, MENA, MURRAY, NEWELL, SPELL, TURNER, WALTERS, WYBLE, AND ZERINGUE AND SENATOR KLEINPETER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:463.243, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to establish the "Classic Black" special prestige license plate; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to the license plate; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 851—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG, BAYHAM, COATES, COX, DESHOTEL, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, FREIBERG, GEYMANN, GREEN, DANA HENRY, TRAVIS JOHNSON, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, MACK, MOORE, ORGERON, RISER, SAWYER, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, AND ZERINGUE AND SENATOR CATHEY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2531(A)(4) and to enact R.S. 30:2531(A)(5), relative to littering; to prevent the intentional release of balloons; to provide for exceptions and penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 854—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:463.73(A) and (G) and to enact R.S. 47:463.243 through 463.247, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to establish the "Alzheimer's Awareness" specialty license plate; to establish the "Lupus Awareness" specialty plate; to establish the "Krewe of Sobek", the "Mystic Krewe of Imani", and the "Krewe of Harambee" specialty plates; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; to establish the "Huntington High School", "Haynesville Jr./Sr. High School", "Lincoln Preparatory School", and the "Green Oaks Performing Arts Academy" specialty plates; to provide for the creation and application of existing issuance, design, implementation, fee, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to Louisiana parochial, public, and private high school license plates; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 891—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACOB LANDRY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:463.46(B) and (C), 463.53(C) and (D), to enact R.S. 47:463.243, and to repeal R.S. 56:10(B)(8) and (10), relative to reallocation of fees and creation of special prestige license plates associated with wildlife; to provide for the reallocation of fees to the Louisiana Quail Forever organization; to provide for the reallocation of funds to the Louisiana Ducks Unlimited organization; to establish the "Conserve Louisiana" special license plate; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to the license plate; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 951—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAMBURG
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:1554(T) and to enact R.S. 23:2065(A)(12) through (17) and 2092(A)(3) and R.S. 36:308(E), relative to a talent accelerator program; to create the Office of the Louisiana Talent Accelerator within Louisiana Works; to provide for duties and functions of the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council in conjunction with the Office of the Louisiana Talent Accelerator; to create the Business Workforce Committee; to exclude the Office of the Louisiana Talent Accelerator from the state procurement code; to provide for the purposes and functions of the Office of the Louisiana Talent Accelerator; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations. The bill was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 964—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK
AN ACT

To authorize and provide for the transfer of certain state property; to authorize the transfer of certain state property in Caddo Parish; to provide for the property description; to provide for the reservation of mineral rights; to provide terms and conditions; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 966—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MOORE, WALTERS, AND FISHER AND
SENATOR JACKSON-ANDREWS
AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 15 in Monroe, Louisiana, as the "President Barack Obama Road"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Reconsideration

The vote by which Senate Bill No. 65 failed to pass on Wednesday, April 15, 2026, was reconsidered.

SENATE BILL NO. 65—

BY SENATOR CATHEY AND REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3973(2)(b)(ii) through (iv) and 3983(C), relative to charter schools; to provide for the election process for the approval of converting a preexisting public school into a charter school; to provide for the eligibility of faculty, staff, and parents or guardians to vote in such elections; to provide for the voting threshold required for approval; to require the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to adopt rules for the election process and to require that elections be conducted in accordance with such rules; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Cathey, the amended bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

Senate Resolutions
on Second Reading
Reported by Committees

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7—

BY SENATOR HENSGENS
A RESOLUTION

To approve the annual state integrated coastal protection plan for Fiscal Year 2027, as adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Foil	Morris
Abraham	Harris	Myers
Allain	Hensgens	Owen
Barrow	Hodges	Pressly
Barthelemy	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Bass	Kleinpeter	Reese
Boudreaux	Lambert	Seabaugh
Cathey	Luneau	Selders
Cloud	McMath	Stine
Duplessis	Miguez	Talbot
Edmonds	Miller	Wheat
Fesi	Mizell	Womack

Total - 36

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter	Connick	Jenkins
Total - 3		

The resolution was read by title. On motion of Senator Hensgens, the Senate Resolution was adopted.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 63—

BY SENATOR OWEN

A RESOLUTION

To request the Louisiana Department of Health to study the feasibility of providing suboxone to first responders in Louisiana.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Resolution No. 63 by Senator Owen

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 3 and insert "buprenorphine to paramedics in Louisiana."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 5, change "suboxone to first responders" to "buprenorphine to paramedics"

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted.

The resolution was read by title. On motion of Senator Owen, the amended Senate Resolution was adopted.

**Senate Concurrent Resolutions
on Second Reading
Reported by Committees**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24—

BY SENATORS WOMACK AND CATHEY AND REPRESENTATIVE RISER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To amend Department of Wildlife and Fisheries rule LAC 76:V.137, to provide for chronic wasting disease management; to provide for definitions; to provide for prevalence; to provide for management zones; to provide for supplemental feeding and baiting restrictions; to provide for surveillance season; to provide for sampling; to provide for export restrictions; and to direct the Louisiana Register to print the amendments in the Louisiana Administrative Code.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources. The concurrent resolution was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

**Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Third Reading and Final Passage**

SENATE BILL NO. 173—

BY SENATOR MORRIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Art. 2415(B) and to enact Code of Civil Procedure Art. 2415(C) and (D), relative to garnishments; to provide for delivery of property or payment of indebtedness to sheriff; to provide relative to financial institutions; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Foil	Morris
Abraham	Harris	Myers
Allain	Hensgens	Pressly
Barrow	Hodges	Price
Barthelemy	Jackson-Andrews	Reese
Bass	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Boudreaux	Lambert	Selders
Cathey	Luneau	Stine
Cloud	McMath	Talbot
Duplessis	Miguez	Wheat
Edmonds	Miller	Womack
Fesi	Mizell	

Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter	Jenkins
Connick	Owen

Total - 4

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Morris moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 185—

BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 1-D of Code Title IV of Title 9 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 9:2720.21 through 2720.23, relative to requisites for a valid agreement; to prohibit nondisclosure agreements involving victims of child sexual abuse; to provide for terms and definitions; to provide relative to enforcement of nondisclosure agreements in certain circumstances; to provide for retroactive application; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Miller sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miller on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 185 by Senator Pressly

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 9, following "1-D of" and before "Title IV" insert "Code"

On motion of Senator Miller, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Pressly proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Pressly to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 185 by Senator Pressly

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 7, after "application," insert "to provide for an effective date;"

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AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, line 7, after "after the" insert "effective"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 8, insert the following:

"Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

On motion of Senator Pressly, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Foil Morris
Abraham Harris Myers
Allain Hensgens Owen
Barrow Hodges Pressly
Barthelemy Jackson-Andrews Price
Bass Kleinpeter Reese
Boudreaux Lambert Seabaugh
Cathey Luneau Selders
Cloud McMath Stine
Duplessis Miguez Talbot
Edmonds Miller Wheat
Fesi Mizell Womack
Total - 36

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter Connick Jenkins
Total - 3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 189—

BY SENATOR FESI

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2057(A)(3)(a), relative to the intentional release of substances into the atmosphere to affect climate, temperature, weather, or sunlight; to provide for prohibitions; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Hensgens Pressly
Allain Hodges Price
Barthelemy Jackson-Andrews Reese
Bass Kleinpeter Seabaugh
Cathey McMath Selders
Cloud Miguez Stine
Edmonds Mizell Talbot

Fesi Morris Wheat
Foil Myers Womack
Harris Owen
Total - 29

NAYS

Barrow Miller
Total - 2
ABSENT

Abraham Connick Lambert
Boudreaux Duplessis Luneau
Carter Jenkins
Total - 8

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Fesi moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 215—

BY SENATOR MCMATH

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:574.2.2, relative to post conviction relief; to provide relative to the grounds for post conviction relief for non-unanimous jury verdicts; to provide relative to time limitations for post conviction relief when a petitioner has a conviction rendered by a non-unanimous jury; to allow for parole eligibility for persons convicted by a verdict rendered by a non-unanimous jury; to establish a special committee for cases in which a non-unanimous jury verdict was rendered; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

SENATE BILL NO. 232—

BY SENATOR MILLER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 13:10.3(D) and to enact R.S. 13:10.3(D)(3) and (4), relative to funding of the Judges' Supplemental Compensation Fund; to provide relative to public retirement systems; to provide relative to certain justices, judges, and commissioners; to provide relative to funding for certain reserves; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Miller sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miller to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 232 by Senator Miller

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 10, change "for" to "to maintain the"

On motion of Senator Miller, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Foil Myers
Abraham Harris Owen
Allain Hensgens Pressly
Barrow Hodges Price
Barthelemy Jackson-Andrews Reese

Bass	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Boudreaux	Luneau	Selders
Cathey	McMath	Stine
Cloud	Miguez	Talbot
Duplessis	Miller	Wheat
Edmonds	Mizell	Womack
Fesi	Morris	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter	Jenkins
Connick	Lambert
Total - 4	

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

SENATE BILL NO. 259—
BY SENATOR BARROW

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 46:2136.2(H), relative to domestic abuse assistance; to authorize the creation of a statewide portal to allow an online application for a protective order; to provide relative to a petition for a temporary restraining order; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

SENATE BILL NO. 260—
BY SENATORS EDMONDS, CARTER, JENKINS, LUNEAU, MILLER AND MIZELL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:2798(B)(1) and to enact R.S. 9:2798(D)(4) and R.S. 40:1087.2, relative to youth athletics; to provide for limitation of liability; to provide for definitions; to provide for an injury mitigation course; to provide for content of youth injury mitigation courses; to provide for posting of certain information on the internet; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Foil	Myers
Abraham	Harris	Owen
Allain	Hensgens	Pressly
Barthelemy	Hodges	Price
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Reese
Boudreaux	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	McMath	Selders
Cloud	Miguez	Stine
Duplessis	Miller	Talbot
Edmonds	Mizell	Wheat
Fesi	Morris	Womack
Total - 33		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Barrow	Connick	Lambert
Carter	Jenkins	Luneau
Total - 6		

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Edmonds moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 320—
BY SENATOR MIZELL

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:605.1, relative to DNA detection of sexual and violent offenders; to provide reporting of outstanding CODIS hit data; to provide for a central repository; to provide for an outstanding CODIS hits tracking system; to provide for reporting; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Mizell proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Mizell to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 320 by Senator Mizell

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, at the end of line 20, change "**July**" to "**March**"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, line 21, change "**thirty-first**" to "**first**"

On motion of Senator Mizell, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Foil	Owen
Abraham	Harris	Pressly
Allain	Hensgens	Price
Barrow	Jackson-Andrews	Reese
Barthelemy	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Bass	Luneau	Selders
Boudreaux	McMath	Stine
Cathey	Miguez	Talbot
Cloud	Miller	Wheat
Duplessis	Mizell	Womack
Edmonds	Morris	
Fesi	Myers	
Total - 34		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter	Hodges	Lambert
Connick	Jenkins	
Total - 5		

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

SENATE BILL NO. 345—
BY SENATOR BARROW

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:933.2, relative to the office of juvenile justice; to provide for an annual report to the legislature; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Barrow moved the final

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passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Foil Morris
Abraham Harris Myers
Allain Hensgens Owen
Barrow Hodges Pressly
Barthelemy Jackson-Andrews Price
Bass Kleinpeter Reese
Boudreaux Lambert Seabaugh
Cathey Luneau Selders
Cloud McMath Stine
Duplessis Miguez Talbot
Edmonds Miller Wheat
Fesi Mizell Womack
Total - 36

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter Connick Jenkins
Total - 3

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Barrow moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 424—
BY SENATOR FOIL

AN ACT

To enact Code of Civil Procedure Art. 1313(E), relative to service of pleadings; to provide relative to service of certain pleadings by electronic means; to provide for counsel of record; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

SENATE BILL NO. 440—
BY SENATOR LUNEAU

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:1109.21 and 1109.22(A), relative to a renaissance district; to provide relative to a renaissance district in the parish of Rapides; to provide relative to juvenile detention, education, and rehabilitation; to provide relative to the board of commissioners of the renaissance district; to provide relative to the powers, duties, and functions of the board; and to provide for related matters

Floor Amendments

Senator Luneau proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Luneau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 440 by Senator Luneau

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 7, after "as long as" change "members" to "at least one member"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 8, before "capable" change "are" to "is"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 21, after "Detention" change "District" to "Center Authority"

On motion of Senator Luneau, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Foil Myers
Abraham Harris Owen
Allain Hensgens Pressly
Barrow Hodges Reese
Barthelemy Jackson-Andrews Seabaugh
Bass Kleinpeter Selders
Boudreaux Lambert Stine
Cathey Luneau Talbot
Cloud McMath Wheat
Duplessis Miguez Womack
Edmonds Miller
Fesi Morris
Total - 34

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter Jenkins Price
Connick Mizell
Total - 5

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

SENATE BILL NO. 448—
BY SENATOR LUNEAU

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:142(F), 168(E), and 175(B)(1), and to enact R.S. 15:142(G) and 175(E), relative to the Louisiana Public Defender Act; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for the judicial district indigent defender fund; to provide for proceedings to determine indigency; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Foil Morris
Abraham Harris Myers
Allain Hensgens Owen
Barrow Hodges Pressly
Barthelemy Jackson-Andrews Price
Bass Kleinpeter Reese
Boudreaux Lambert Seabaugh
Cathey Luneau Selders
Cloud McMath Stine
Duplessis Miguez Talbot
Edmonds Miller Wheat
Fesi Mizell Womack
Total - 36

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter Connick Jenkins
Total - 3

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Luneau moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 470—

BY SENATORS MIZELL, ABRAHAM, BARROW, BOUDREAU, CLOUD, FESI, HODGES, JACKSON-ANDREWS, MYERS, PRICE AND STINE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:744.3(A), the introductory paragraph of 744.3(B) and 744.3(C)(3), and 744.5(2) and to enact R.S. 15:744.5(7) and 744.9 and Code of Criminal Procedure Arts. 893(A)(5), 894.1(B)(34), and 894.6, relative to pregnant women; to require pregnancy tests at correctional facilities; to provide relative to the use of restraints on pregnant and postpartum prisoners; to provide for consideration of pregnancy at sentencing; to provide for certain conditions of probation; to provide for limitations; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Mizell proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Mizell to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 470 by Senator Mizell

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 5, after "sources" insert "from nonprofit organizations or federal grants"

On motion of Senator Mizell, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Foil	Morris
Abraham	Harris	Myers
Allain	Hensgens	Owen
Barrow	Hodges	Pressly
Barthelemy	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Bass	Kleinpeter	Reese
Boudreaux	Lambert	Seabaugh
Cathey	Luneau	Selders
Cloud	McMath	Stine
Duplessis	Miguez	Talbot
Edmonds	Miller	Wheat
Fesi	Mizell	Womack
Total - 36		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter Connick Jenkins
Total - 3

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

SENATE BILL NO. 476—
BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Arts. 2412(A) and 2413(B) and (C), relative to garnishments; to provide relative to service of notice upon the garnishee; to provide relative to notice of failure to answer interrogatories in certain circumstances; to provide relative to civil procedure and legal delays; to provide for certain notice requirements; to provide relative to effect of the garnishee's failure to answer; to provide relative to cost and attorney fees; to provide relative to the garnishee's failure to appear; to provide for burden of proof; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Miller sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miller on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 476 by Senator Pressly

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, following "2412" change "(A)" to "(A)(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 11, following "2412" change "(A)" to "(A)(1)"

On motion of Senator Miller, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Foil	Morris
Abraham	Harris	Myers
Allain	Hensgens	Pressly
Barrow	Hodges	Price
Barthelemy	Jackson-Andrews	Reese
Bass	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Boudreaux	Lambert	Selders
Cathey	Luneau	Stine
Cloud	McMath	Talbot
Duplessis	Miguez	Wheat
Edmonds	Miller	Womack
Fesi	Mizell	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter Jenkins
Connick Owen
Total - 4

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

SENATE BILL NO. 487—
BY SENATOR OWEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 4:715(A)(7) and 719(B), relative to the Charitable Raffles, Bingo and Keno Licensing Law; to provide for premises rental agreements; to provide for terms; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Foil Myers
Abraham Harris Owen
Allain Hensgens Pressly
Barrow Jackson-Andrews Price
Barthelemy Kleinpeter Reese
Bass Lambert Seabaugh
Boudreaux Luneau Selders
Cathey McMath Stine
Cloud Miguez Talbot
Duplessis Miller Wheat
Edmonds Mizell Womack
Fesi Morris
Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter Hodges
Connick Jenkins
Total - 4

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Owen moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 502— BY SENATOR CATHEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:3602(18) and to enact R.S. 3:3602(19) and 3607(E), relative to sugarcane bagasse biomass storage; to provide for definitions; to prohibit certain ordinances; and to provide for related matters.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Foil Morris
Abraham Harris Myers
Allain Hensgens Owen
Barrow Hodges Pressly
Barthelemy Jackson-Andrews Price
Bass Kleinpeter Reese
Boudreaux Lambert Seabaugh
Cathey Luneau Selders
Cloud McMath Stine
Duplessis Miguez Talbot
Edmonds Miller Wheat
Fesi Mizell Womack
Total - 36

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter Connick Jenkins
Total - 3

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the

House. Senator Cathey moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

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Called from the Calendar

Senator Foil asked that Senate Bill No. 424 be called from the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 424— BY SENATOR FOIL

AN ACT

To enact Code of Civil Procedure Art. 1313(E), relative to service of pleadings; to provide relative to service of certain pleadings by electronic means; to provide for counsel of record; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Miller sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miller to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 424 by Senator Foil

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 10, and insert "who is representing a party in an action."

On motion of Senator Miller, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Harris Myers
Abraham Hensgens Owen
Allain Hodges Pressly
Barrow Jackson-Andrews Price
Barthelemy Kleinpeter Reese
Boudreaux Lambert Seabaugh
Cathey Luneau Selders
Cloud McMath Stine
Duplessis Miguez Talbot
Edmonds Miller Wheat
Fesi Mizell Womack
Foil Morris
Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Bass Connick
Carter Jenkins
Total - 4

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

Called from the Calendar

Senator Fesi asked that Senate Bill No. 152 be called from the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 152— BY SENATOR FESI

AN ACT

To enact Part IV of Chapter 30 of Title 3 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 3:4748.1 through 4748.4, relative to cell cultured food products; to prohibit the sale of cell cultured food products for human consumption; to provide for penalties; to provide for rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Fesi proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Fesi to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 152 by Senator Fesi

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 1, line 2, change "Part IV" to Part V"

AMENDMENT NO. 2 On page 1, line 3, change "R.S. 3:4748.1 through 4748.4" to "R.S. 3:4750 to 4750.3"

AMENDMENT NO. 3 On page 1, line 7, change "Part IV" to "Part V"

AMENDMENT NO. 4 On page 1, line 8, change "R.S. 3:4748.1 through 4748.4" to "R.S. 3:4750 to 4750.3"

AMENDMENT NO. 5 On page 1, line 9, change "PART IV" to "PART V"

AMENDMENT NO. 6 On page 1, line 10, change "§4748.1." to "§4750."

AMENDMENT NO. 7 On page 1, line 13, change "§4748.2." to "§4750.1."

AMENDMENT NO. 8 On page 2, line 3, change "§4748.3." to "§4750.2."

AMENDMENT NO. 9 On page 2, line 20, change "§4748.4." to "§4750.3."

On motion of Senator Fesi, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Fesi proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Fesi to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 152 by Senator Fesi

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 1, line 15, delete "advertise."

On motion of Senator Fesi, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Cathey proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Cathey to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 152 by Senator Fesi

AMENDMENT NO. 1 On page 1, line 3, after "through" change "4784.4" to "4784.5"

AMENDMENT NO. 2 On page 1, line 5, after "regulations;" insert "to provide for certain exceptions; to provide for effectiveness;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3 On page 1, line 8, after "through" change "4784.4" to "4784.5"

AMENDMENT NO. 4 On page 2, after line 23, insert the following:

"§4748.5. Effectiveness The provisions of this Part shall become effective only upon a final ruling by the United States Supreme Court holding that prohibitions on cell cultured food products do not violate the United States Constitution; however, nothing in this Part shall prohibit accredited institutions of higher education in this state from conducting research on cell cultured food products."

On motion of Senator Cathey, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns: Mr. President, Foil, Myers; Abraham, Hensgens, Owen; Allain, Hodges, Pressly; Barrow, Kleinpeter, Reese; Bass, Lambert, Seabaugh; Cathey, McMath, Stine; Cloud, Miguez, Talbot; Edmonds, Mizell, Wheat; Fesi, Morris, Womack; Total - 27

NAYS

Table with 3 columns: Barthelemy, Harris, Miller; Boudreaux, Jackson-Andrews, Price; Duplessis, Luneau, Selders; Total - 9

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns: Carter, Connick, Jenkins; Total - 3

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

Called from the Calendar

Senator Morris asked that Senate Bill No. 217 be called from the Calendar.

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SENATE BILL NO. 217—
BY SENATOR MORRIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:1136, 1137(B), 1302, 1312(A), (B), (C), (D)(1), 1335, 1337(A) and (B), 1343(A), 1344(A) and (D), 1347(A)(3), (B), and (C), 1383, 1384, 1595, 2151(D), 2151.4(D), 2492(A)(1), (5), and (6), to enact R.S. 13:1312(E) and (F) and 2492(A)(8), and to repeal R.S. 13:1304, 1347(D), 1595.1, and 2492(A)(7)(b), relative to courts in Orleans Parish; to provide for the number of court judges and commissioners; to provide for payment of court expenses from the Consolidated Judicial Expense Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Morris proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Morris to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 217 by Senator Morris

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, delete "13:1136," and insert "13:1137(B),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 10, delete "13:1136," and insert "13:1137(B),"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 13, change the semi colon ";" to a colon ":"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete lines 14 through 17

AMENDMENT NO. 5

Delete page 2

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, delete lines 1 through 5

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 6, delete line 12

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 6, line 15, after "composed of" delete "twelve" and insert "nine"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 6, line 17, after "first" change "four" to "three"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 9, line 21, after "shall be" delete "ten" and insert "nine"

On motion of Senator Morris the amendments were withdrawn.

Floor Amendments

Senator Morris proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Morris to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 217 by Senator Morris

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, change "13:1136," to "13:1137(B),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, change "1347(D)" to "1347(D), (F), and (G)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 8, after "Expense Fund;" insert "to provide for an effective date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 10, change "13:1136," to "13:1137(B),"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 13, change "follows;" to "follows:"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, delete lines 14 through 17 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 7

Delete page 2

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, delete lines 1 through 5 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 6, delete line 12

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 6, line 15, change "twelve" to "twelve nine"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 6, line 17, change "four" to "three"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 8, at the end of line 22, insert the following: "Unless otherwise provided by any rule adopted by the court in accordance with this Paragraph, the commissioners shall have the same authority for cases within the jurisdiction of the Orleans Criminal Court as a commissioner pursuant to R.S. 13:713, including the authority to make a report and recommendation to the judges concerning claims for post-conviction relief by the incarcerated."

(4) The salaries of commissioners may be optionally supplemented by the city of New Orleans or the Consolidated Judicial Expense Fund for the parish of Orleans, as determined by its executive committee, provided that total compensation in accordance with this Section shall not exceed that for a commissioner pursuant to R. S. 13:713."

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 9, line 21, change "ten" to "ten nine"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 9, at the end of line 28, delete "at least"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 9, line 29, change ""thirteen law clerks, and at least four secretaries" to "thirteen law clerks, and at least four secretaries and law clerks and secretaries for each section at amounts approved by the executive committee of the Consolidated Judicial Expense Fund for the parish of Orleans,"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 11, line 1, after "C." insert "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 11, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

"(2) The judges, en banc, may appoint a hearing officer in the same manner as any district court or may appoint a commissioner to perform duties in accordance with the rules of the court as prescribed by the elected judges that are in accordance with the Louisiana Constitution and do not exceed authority otherwise provided for in the law for a hearing officer or commissioner in a district court in the state. Nothing in this Section shall require additional appropriation from the city of New Orleans without its consent."

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 12, line 2, change "The" to "Excluding the judgeships provided for in Paragraph (5) of this Subsection and notwithstanding any other provision of this Subsection, the"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 12, line 11, change "1347(D)" to "1347(D), (F), and (G)"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 12, after line 11, insert the following:

"Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

On motion of Senator Morris, the amendments were adopted.

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Hensgens	Myers
Abraham	Hodges	Owen
Allain	Kleinpeter	Pressly
Bass	Lambert	Reese
Cathey	McMath	Seabaugh
Cloud	Miguez	Stine
Edmonds	Miller	Talbot
Fesi	Mizell	Wheat
Foil	Morris	Womack
Total - 27		

NAYS

Barrow	Duplessis	Luneau
Barthelemy	Harris	Price
Boudreaux	Jackson-Andrews	Selders
Total - 9		

ABSENT

Carter	Connick	Jenkins
Total - 3		

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

Called from the Calendar

Senator Kleinpeter asked that Senate Bill No. 321 be called from the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 321—
BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 328(C), relative to electronic bonds; to provide for certain conditions on the use of electronic bonds; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Kleinpeter proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Kleinpeter to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 321 by Senator Kleinpeter

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "328(C)" and before the comma, ", insert "and R.S. 22:822(A)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "bonds;" and before "and" insert the following: "to provide for requirements on electronic bonds; to provide for a parish registry of electronic bond agents; to provide for procedures for the issuance of electronic bonds; to provide for types of payment;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, at the end of line 1, before the period "." insert the following: "and may establish additional requirements for approval of electronic bond authority within the parish, including but not limited to geographic limitations, proof of local domicile or principal place of business within the parish, geofencing parameters, or other requirements that the sheriff deems appropriate for the administration of electronic bonds within the parish"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete line 4 through line 9 and insert the following:

"(4)(a) The electronic bond provider shall maintain a registry of agents approved by each participating parish sheriff to execute electronic bonds within that parish.

(b) Prior to permitting the execution of any electronic bond, the provider shall verify that the agent seeking to post the bond is listed in the approved agent registry for the parish in which the bond is to be posted. The provider shall deny electronic bond access to any agent who does not appear in the applicable registry.

(c) The sheriff shall provide the electronic bond provider with timely notice of any additions to or removals from the approved registry.

(5) When an electronic bond is used, all of the following procedures shall be followed:

(a) The electronic bond provider shall implement multi-factor authentication for each individual bond posting transaction, which shall include at a minimum both of the following:

(i) Facial recognition liveness verification linked to the identity of the approved licensed agent executing the bond.

(ii) A secondary authentication factor independent of the agent's account login credentials.

(b) The electronic bond provider shall ensure that the authentication required by Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph is performed personally by the approved agent of record at the time of each individual bond posting. The provider shall not permit the use of shared login credentials, shared authentication devices or factors, or proxy authentication by any person other than the approved agent of record.

(c) The approving sheriff may, as a condition of authorizing electronic bond posting within the parish, require the electronic bond provider to incorporate a geographic restriction, including a geofence, limiting electronic bond posting to a defined geographic area within or proximate to the parish.

(d) The electronic bond provider shall offer automated clearing house (ACH) electronic funds transfer as a method of payment for fees associated with the posting of an electronic bond.

Section 2. R.S. 22:822(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§822. Criminal bail bond annual license fee

A. (1) On premiums for all commercial surety underwriters who write criminal bail bonds in the state of Louisiana, there shall be a fee equal to two dollars for each one hundred dollars worth of liability underwritten by the commercial surety. Except as authorized under the provisions of R.S. 13:718(I)(2), this shall be the exclusive fee or tax on any criminal bail bond premium, including thereto premium taxes owed. In furtherance of the payment of this premium fee all commercial surety underwriters underwriting criminal bail bonds in the state of Louisiana shall, upon submitting the appearance bond and their power of attorney, simultaneously pay to the sheriff of the parish, a fee of two dollars for each one hundred dollars worth of liability on the bail bond being presented for the release of a person

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on bail. Failure to pay the fee shall prevent the sheriff from accepting the appearance bond and power of attorney. The sheriff may receive the fee by check, or cash, or automated clearing house (ACH) and shall only accept it only from the surety or the agent of the surety.

(2)(a) When an electronic bond is posted pursuant to Code of Criminal Procedure Article 328, the sheriff shall accept payment of the fee by ACH electronic funds transfer, and a licensed bail bond producer may collect from the defendant, principal, or indemnitor any fees associated with the posting of an electronic bond that are authorized by law, including but not limited to platform access fees, transaction fees, and ACH processing fees.

(b) The fees shall not exceed the actual cost charged to the producer by the electronic bond provider.

(c) In the event a surety or agent of the surety presents payment of the fee by an instrument which is returned for insufficient funds, the agent or the agent of the surety shall be prevented from presenting the appearance bonds with their power of attorney attached until the outstanding fees are paid to the sheriff.

Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

On motion of Senator Kleinpeter, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Kleinpeter 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, Abraham, Allain, Barrow, etc.

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns: Name, Absent, Present. Lists names like Carter, Connick, Jenkins.

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

Called from the Calendar

Senator Edmonds asked that Senate Bill No. 489 be called from the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 489— BY SENATOR EDMONDS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:863.2(A)(1), (2), (3), (4) and (6), (B), (C), (E)(1) and (2), (F)(1), (2), (4), (5), and (6), to enact R.S. 32:863.2(7), relative to third party inquiries on motor vehicle license plates; to authorize third parties to conduct inquiries on motor vehicle license plates; to make technical change; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Miller sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miller on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 489 by Senator Edmonds

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, change "32:863.2(7)" to "32:863.2(F)(7)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, following "technical" change "change;" to "changes;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 9, change "32:863.2(7)" to "32:863.2(F)(7)"

On motion of Senator Miller, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Edmonds proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Edmonds to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 489 by Senator Edmonds

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 5, line 12, after "(5)" insert "(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

"(b) Any violation of Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph may constitute malfeasance in office as provided in R.S. 14:134, and civil claims may arise pursuant to the Louisiana Governmental Claims Act, R.S. 13:5101, et seq."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, at the end of line 22, after "regulations" insert "in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act"

On motion of Senator Edmonds, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Edmonds 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, Abraham, Allain, Barrow, etc.

Duplessis	Miguez	Talbot
Edmonds	Miller	Wheat
Fesi	Mizell	Womack
Total - 36		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter	Connick	Jenkins
Total - 3		

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

Rules Suspended

Senator Edmonds asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to revert to the Morning Hour.

Introduction of Senate Resolutions

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 89—
BY SENATOR SELDERS

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the occasion of the passing of Devoy Colbert Copper Sr.

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

Message from the House

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN
HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT 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 passed and asks your concurrence in the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions:

HB No. 27	HB No. 71	HB No. 214
HB No. 241	HB No. 345	HB No. 514
HB No. 655	HB No. 743	HB No. 1027
HB No. 1091	HB No. 1096	HB No. 1167
HB No. 1174	HB No. 1238	HB No. 58

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

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions
on First Reading**

HOUSE BILL NO. 27—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKAMIN

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 10(D)(2)(b)(iii) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to application of certain state monies to state retirement system unfunded accrued liability; to remove requirement that such monies be applied to the oldest system liabilities first; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 58—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 312(E) through (H) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 312(I), relative to bail; to prohibit bail after conviction for certain offenders; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 71—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARLSON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 9:2793.12(A)(3), relative to liability of persons authorized to carry a concealed handgun; to provide that armed security officers are authorized persons; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 214—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHANCE HENRY

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article VII, Section 21(P) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to ad valorem taxes; to authorize the exemption of certain property from ad valorem taxes subject to conditions provided in law; to require the legislature to enact laws relative to implementation of the exemption; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 241—

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 6:333(A)(12)(g) and (D), relative to the organization and operation of state banks; to provide for definitions; to provide for service of disclosure demands; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 345—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKAMIN

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 48:388.1(A)(2)(f), relative to the Class II and III Rail Infrastructure Improvement Program; to add rail infrastructure at ports as an eligible project for the program; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 514—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article VII, Section 21(P) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to ad valorem taxation; to extend an ad valorem tax exemption for property owners who are sixty-five years of age or older; to provide for the amount of the exemption; to provide for requirements and limitations; to provide for implementation of the exemption by parishes and municipalities; to prohibit the reappraisal and valuation of property for purposes of millage adjustments under certain circumstances; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 655—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 48:25, relative to the operation and control of ferries by the Department of Transportation and Development; to authorize the department to enter into contracts for the construction, operation, and maintenance of ferries and related facilities; to exempt contracts for the construction, operation, and maintenance of ferries and associated facilities from certain applicable provisions when in the best interest of the state; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 743—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. BLANC
AN ACT

To enact Subpart F of Part IV of Chapter 2 of Title 2 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 2:350.1 through 350.6, relative to the creation of the Harry P. Williams Memorial Airport District; to provide for the domicile, powers, duties, functions, and governance of the district; to provide for the composition, qualifications, and terms of the board of commissioners; to provide specific authority to the board upon an approval date by the Federal Aviation Administration; to require the submission of an annual financial report; to provide for local government compliance; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1027—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1581(F), relative to real estate appraiser liability in certain circumstances; to provide relative to smoke and carbon dioxide detectors in one- or two-family dwellings; to provide for licensed real estate appraiser liability; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1091—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOUDREAUX
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1567(A)(1)(a) and (B), relative to local fire departments; to require a fire department to obtain an identification number from the National Emergency Response Information System; to require reporting of all incidents; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1096—
BY REPRESENTATIVE JACOB LANDRY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 12:407(B), relative to the adopting, amending, or repealing of bylaws of an electric cooperative; to provide for bylaws by the board of directors; to provide for bylaws by the members; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1167—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GLORIOSO
AN ACT

To designate the elevated portion of Louisiana Highway 433 in Slidell, Louisiana as the "Emile 'Uncle Tobe' Galatas Memorial Bridge"; to designate a portion of United States Highway 11 in Pearl River, Louisiana as the "Captain Steven Gaudet, Jr. Memorial Highway"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1174—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:191(3)(b) and to repeal R.S. 49:191(1)(o), relative to the Department of Transportation and Development, including provisions to provide for the re-creation of the Department of Transportation and Development and the statutory entities made a part of the department by law; to provide for the effective termination date for all statutory authority for the existence of such statutory entities; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1238— (Substitute for House Bill No. 422 by Representative McMakin)
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:35(B) and 38(B) and to enact Part III of Chapter 3 of Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 23:271 through 274, relative to workplace violence in retail and food service establishments; to provide a short title; to provide definitions; to prohibit workplace violence against an employee of a regulated establishment; to provide enhanced penalties for offenders who commit certain crimes against an employee of a regulated establishment; to provide for signage; and to provide for related matters.

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

Rules Suspended

Senator Cathey asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to recall House Bill No. 81 from the Committee on Judiciary A and discharge said committee.

HOUSE BILL NO. 81—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER
AN ACT

To enact Civil Code Article 688.1, relative to branches and roots on neighboring property; to authorize removal of branches and roots in certain circumstances; to require notification; to provide for damages; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Cathey, House Bill No. 81 was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

Rules Suspended

Senator Womack asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to recall Senate Bill No. 389 from the Committee on Finance and discharge said committee.

SENATE BILL NO. 389—
BY SENATOR CONNICK

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 4:420, 421(A), 422, 422.1, 423(G)(4), 424(A)(6) through (9), (B), (C), (D), and (E), 426, 431, 432(A), and 433(A) and (B), to enact R.S. 4:423.1, 424(A)(10), 427(A)(8), 432.1, 434, and 435, and to repeal R.S. 4:425 and 430, relative to agents and athletes; to provide for registration of agents; to provide for denial of registration, refusal to renew, revocation, or suspension; to provide for agent's contract, disclosure, schedule of fees, maximum fee, notification, and penalty; to provide for required disclosures for endorsement contracts; to provide for prohibited activities; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for record keeping; to provide for implementation of rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for liability; to provide for civil remedies; to provide for unlawful payments and penalties; to provide for unfair trade practices; to provide for terms, conditions, responsibilities, and procedures; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Womack, the bill was read by title and passed to a third reading.

**Privileged Report of the Committee on
Senate and Governmental Affairs**

ENROLLMENTS

Senator Kleinpeter, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs, submitted the following report:

April 16, 2026

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to submit the following report:

The following Senate Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 68—
BY SENATOR JENKINS

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Friday, May 1, 2026, as AmeriCorps Seniors Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) Foster Grandparent Volunteer Day.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 69—
BY SENATOR MIZELL

A RESOLUTION

To commend and recognize Film Louisiana for its contributions to economic development and cultural enrichment of the state of Louisiana and to designate April 15, 2026, as Film Louisiana Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 71—
BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Olivia Daigle on being crowned the 2025-2026 Louisiana State Queen Sugar at the Louisiana Sugar Cane Festival in New Iberia.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 72—
BY SENATOR BOUDREAU

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana on the occasion of the passing of William F. "Charlie" McCarthy and to celebrate his long life of service, leadership, dedication, and achievement.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 73—
BY SENATOR HODGES

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Fernand "Ferdie" P. Genre upon receiving the Livingston Economic Development Council's Bob Easterly Award.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 74—
BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

A RESOLUTION

To commend Mrs. Elizabeth Kimball Lewis on the occasion of her 100th birthday.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 75—

BY SENATORS KLEINPETER AND PRICE

A RESOLUTION

To commend and recognize Iberville Parish on its historic, cultural, and economic significance, while expressing support for critical infrastructure investments, including a new Mississippi River Bridge and designate April 15, 2026, as Iberville Parish Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 78—
BY SENATOR JENKINS

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the passing of Assistant Chief City Marshal, Kirby Shawn Dawson.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 79—
BY SENATOR BARROW

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 15, 2026, as Child Care Association of Louisiana Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to commend childcare business owners, early childhood educators, and support staff for their outstanding work.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 80—
BY SENATOR REESE

A RESOLUTION

To commend the next generation of Louisiana's franchised new car and heavy truck dealers of the Louisiana Automobile Dealers Association for shaping the automotive industry and carrying forward a legacy of service to the state and its communities and to designate Tuesday, April 14, 2026, as Louisiana Automobile Dealer Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 64—
BY SENATOR BOUDREAU

A RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences on the passing of former Louisiana Medicaid Director Josephine Ruth Kennedy.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 67—
BY SENATOR JACKSON-ANDREWS

A RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, April 14, 2026, as AKA Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to commend the members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 76—
BY SENATOR BOUDREAU

A RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, April 14, 2026, as Acadiana's Red and White Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 77—
BY SENATOR SELDERS

A RESOLUTION

To designate Monday, April 13, 2026, as Social Work Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 18—
BY SENATOR FOIL

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study the feasibility of allowing an exception to the homestead exemption from seizure for certain unpaid or accelerated costs subject to the Louisiana Condominium Act.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 22—
BY SENATOR FOIL

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study and recommend legislation relative to the division of retirement benefits of a former spouse in the partition of community property.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 57—
BY SENATOR CARTER

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 1, 2026, as Tulane Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to recognize Tulane University for its vital contributions to the state of Louisiana.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 61—
BY SENATOR CLOUD

A RESOLUTION

To commend and celebrate Rosa Mae Briley Pitre on the momentous occasion of her one hundredth birthday.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 62—
BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Joseph Cassimere.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 65—
BY SENATOR CARTER

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 8, 2026, as "Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Day" at the Louisiana State Capitol.

Respectfully submitted,
CALEB SETH KLEINPETER
Chairman

The foregoing Senate Concurrent Resolutions were signed by the President of the Senate.

Message to the Secretary of State

SIGNED
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

April 16, 2026

To the Honorable Secretary of State:

The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives have signed the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25—
BY SENATOR FESI

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the "LIFTOff Louisiana" team led by the Department of Transportation and Development's office of multimodal commerce with key support from the Houma-Terrebonne Airport Commission and the Gulf of America Center of Excellence (UGC) for Large-Unmanned Aircraft Systems, and their many partners for their roles in developing a highly successful response to the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) request for proposals for the Electric Vertical Takeoff and Landing and Advanced Air Mobility Aircraft Integration Pilot Program.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 26—
BY SENATOR MIZELL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of John Norman Gallaspy.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Privileged Report of the Committee on
Senate and Governmental Affairs

ENROLLMENTS

Senator Kleinpeter, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs, submitted the following report:

April 20, 2026

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to submit the following report:

The following Senate Concurrent Resolution has been properly enrolled:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28—
BY SENATOR WHEAT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and celebrate Elmer Candy and to recognize Tuesday, May 5, 2026, as Elmer Candy Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

Respectfully submitted,
CALEB SETH KLEINPETER
Chairman

The foregoing Senate Concurrent Resolution was signed by the President of the Senate.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mr. President	Foil	Morris
Abraham	Harris	Myers
Allain	Hensgens	Owen
Barrow	Hodges	Pressly
Barthelemy	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Bass	Kleinpeter	Reese
Boudreaux	Lambert	Seabaugh
Cathey	Luneau	Selders
Cloud	McMath	Stine
Duplessis	Miguez	Talbot
Edmonds	Miller	Wheat
Fesi	Mizell	Womack

Total - 36

ABSENT

Carter	Connick	Jenkins
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Total - 3

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Leaves of Absence

Carter	1 Day	Connick	1 Day
Jenkins	1 Day		

Announcements

The following committee meetings for April 21, 2026, were announced:

Judiciary A	9:00 A.M.	Hainkel Room
Judiciary B	10:30 A.M.	Room E
Judiciary C	10:00 A.M.	Room F

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Talbot, at 4:30 o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 2:00 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