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Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, May 4, 2026

The Senate was called to order at 4:06 o'clock P.M. by Hon. J. Cameron Henry, Jr., President of the Senate.

Morning Hour

CONVENING ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mr. President	Foil	Mizell
Abraham	Harris	Morris
Allain	Hodges	Myers
Barrow	Jackson-Andrews	Pressly
Barthelemy	Jenkins	Price
Bass	Kleinpeter	Reese
Carter	Lambert	Seabaugh
Cathey	Luneau	Talbot
Duplessis	McMath	Wheat
Edmonds	Miguez	Womack
Fesi	Miller	
Total - 32		

ABSENT

Boudreaux	Hensgens	Stine
Cloud	Owen	
Connick	Selders	
Total - 7		

The President of the Senate announced there were 32 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Pastor Thomas Gross, 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 Barthelemy, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of April 29, 2026, was adopted.

**Privileged Report of the
Legislative Bureau**

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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. We advise and suggest the following amendments:

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.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 67—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:11.2(J), relative to the personal information of protected individuals; to provide for the publication of information of a protected individual in certain instances; to provide for the records of a district clerk of court; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 73—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BACALA AND JACKSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:14(C), relative to voting in public meetings; to provide for voting by electronic voting machine; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 82—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:98.2(D)(introductory paragraph), 98.3(A)(1) and (C), and 98.4(A)(1), (C), and (D) and to enact R.S. 14:98.3(D) and 98.4(E), relative to driving while intoxicated; to provide enhanced penalties for offenders with previous driving-related offenses; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 112—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:355.2, relative to the relocation of a child; to specify how miles are measured for relocation of a child; to provide for technical changes; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 121—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DOMANGUE, BAGLEY, BAYHAM, BROUSSARD, COATES, CHANCE HENRY, TRAVIS JOHNSON, MCMAHEN, AND ST. BLANC
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 3:4749.1(B)(7), relative to imported seafood; to expand the powers and authority of the commissioner of agriculture and forestry to include seizure and destruction of seafood that violates state law; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 125—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HORTON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:543(A) and 543.1 and to enact R.S. 15:561.7(C) and Code of Criminal Procedure Article 611(F), relative to the supervised release of sex offenders; to provide relative to sex offender registration and notification procedures; to provide for duties of the court; to provide for venue; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 134—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHLEGEL AND EDMONSTON
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 9:2717.2.1, relative to material harmful to minors, to provide relative to interactive computer services that enter into a contract with a minor; to provide relative to the delivery or display of material harmful to minors; to provide relative to algorithmic systems and the delivery of material harmful to minors; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 151—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER
AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 978.1, relative to expungement; to provide for submission of documents to the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information with a motion to expunge; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 154—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:315.1(C)(8) and to enact R.S. 9:315.1(C)(9) and 405.1 through 405.3, relative to acknowledgment of paternity and collection of child support; to provide for deviation from the child support guidelines; to provide for acknowledgment of paternity for minors; to provide with respect to judicial authorization of acknowledgment of paternity for minors; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 155—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:337(A)(1)(b), relative to the unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system; to provide relative to locations where the use of an unmanned aircraft system is prohibited; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 161—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 320(J)(1) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 320(J)(4), relative to bail conditions; to provide relative to bail conditions for certain defendants; to provide for the duties of the court; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 166—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACOB LANDRY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:1109(A) and 1109.1(A)(introductory paragraph), (9), and (10) and to repeal R.S. 15:1109.1(A)(11), relative to the Acadiana Regional Juvenile Justice District; to remove Vermilion Parish as a member of the Acadiana Regional Juvenile Justice District; to remove a member of the board of commissioners for the district; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 187—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO
AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 13:981, relative to court reporter pools; to repeal provisions establishing a court reporter pool employed by the Louisiana Supreme Court; and to repeal provisions relative to rules, procedures, and guidelines with respect to the court reporter pool.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 191—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO
AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 880(F) and (G), relative to credit for time served in actual custody; to provide for limitations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 207—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3111(B) and (C), relative to the Louisiana Auctioneers Licensing Board; to provide for board membership; to provide for board member qualification; to provide for the domicile of the board; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 224—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Articles 603(4)(a), (14), (15), (17)(l), and (20), 616(F), 622(B)(4), 623(A), (D), and (E), 624(B) and (C), 631(B), 646(A) and (C), 672.3(C)(3), 679(B) through (F), 690(B)(3), 694(A), 695(A), (C), and (D), 696(B), 702(D)(2)(c), 704(A), 705(A), (C), and (D), 706(B), 740, 1004(G), 1112(B), 1269.1, 1269.2(B) and (C), 1269.7, 1279.6(A)(1), (B), and (C), 1404(1), and 1427(C)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (a), to enact Children's Code Articles 603(33), 646(F), 658.1, and 1003(15), and to repeal Children's Code Articles 650, 697, and 707, relative to the continuous revision of the Children's Code; to provide for definitions; to provide for a change in terminology; to provide with respect to absent parents, children, foster caregivers, pre-adoptive parents, and relatives providing care to a child; to require written findings of facts; to provide for intervention; to require notice to intervenors; to provide for the exclusion of intervenors; to provide for advising children and parents of their rights; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 238—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 42:1123(31)(c), relative to the Louisiana Code of Ethics; to provide relative to exceptions authorizing the employment of a former school board member as a certified classroom teacher or certified school psychologist by his former school board; to repeal the population limitation placed on the exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 242—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:2583.8, relative to constables in St. Tammany Parish; to authorize a constable of a justice of the peace in St. Tammany Parish to appoint a deputy; to require certain training; to provide for the filing of certain oaths of office; to provide for compensation; to provide for qualifications of office; to provide for residency requirements; to provide for prohibitions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 250—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1124.2(C)(9)(e) and 1124.2.1(C)(7)(a) and to enact R.S. 42:1114(F) and 1114.3(F), relative to financial disclosure requirements; to provide for the disclosure requirements for individuals serving on certain boards and commissions; to provide for the disclosure requirements for immediate family members of such individuals; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 260—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS JOHNSON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 42:1102(20)(b)(iv), relative to reasonable transportation; to provide for the acceptance of complimentary reasonable transportation by legislators; to provide for travel to a foreign country under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 300—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 6:243(C)(1) and (2), relative to powers and functions of state banks; to provide for price thresholds for

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required residential appraisals; to increase the thresholds; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 320—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:541(24)(a) and to enact R.S. 14:406, relative to offenses affecting law enforcement; to create the crime of unlawful exposure by an inmate; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide with respect to sex offender registration and notification requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 338—
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 49:191(4) and to repeal R.S. 49:191(1)(n), relative to certain agencies within the office of the governor, including provisions to provide for the re-creation of such agencies; 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. 339—
BY REPRESENTATIVES CHASSION, BOYD, LYONS, NEWELL,
THOMAS, WALTERS, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:11.2(A)(10) and (11), relative to the personal information of protected individuals; to provide for the protection of the personal information of law enforcement officers and administrative law judges; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 349—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DOMANGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:5.10.1(B), relative to the Imported Seafood Safety Fund; to provide for the purpose and use of appropriated funds; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 379—
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:425(B)(5), relative to election commissioners; to provide relative to the qualifications of election commissioners; to authorize a person who is seventeen years old and who is enrolled in the eleventh grade at a high school or participating at the eleventh grade level in a home study program to serve as an election commissioner under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 399—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:833.2(A), relative to temporary release of an inmate for limited purposes; to provide for the number of days in which death is expected for purposes of authorizing temporary release; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 427—
BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHLEGEL, EDMONSTON, MIKE JOHNSON,
AND LARVADAIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:2717.4(B)(3) through (10), (C)(4), and (5)(a), relative to material harmful to minors; to provide for definitions; to make technical changes; to provide relative to settings on minor accounts; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 463—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9109(C)(2), relative to communications districts; to provide relative to commercial mobile radio services; to provide relative to emergency telephone service charges; to increase the maximum allowable emergency telephone service charge; to provide for an annual report; to provide for requirements to levy a service charge; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 464—
BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1749.17(A), relative to mandatory reporting of damage to utilities; to provide for notification from excavators or demolishers; to provide for notification from the regional notification center; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 468—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:1431 (35) through (37) and 1448.5, relative to the wholesale of residential real properties; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to wholesalers; to provide for disclosures from a wholesaler; to provide for written agreements and contracts; to provide for written notice; to provide for enforcement; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 545—
BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3530(A)(1), relative to maximum charges by lenders; to provide for maximum origination fees on a consumer loan or revolving account; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 550—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BILLINGS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1314(E), relative to parish board commissioners; to provide for the compensation of parish board commissioners; to provide for the amount of compensation; to provide relative to approval of compensation by the secretary of state; to provide for compensation during a recount; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 551—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BILLINGS AND CHASSION
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1309(J)(1), relative to use of commissioners by the registrar of voters to assist the registrar during the early voting period; to provide for assistance in conducting the nursing home early voting program; to provide

for the duties of the registrar of voters relative to the use of commissioners; to provide for an oath of office to be taken by a commissioner; to provide for an affidavit to be completed by a commissioner; to provide for compensation; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 565—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1563(C)(1) and (4), relative to powers and duties of the fire marshal; to provide for fire prevention and safety inspections of early learning centers and child day care centers; to provide relative to the application of fire safety requirements to early learning centers or child day care centers; to require written notice of a violation or required action; to provide relative to appeals of determinations by the fire marshal; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 588—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DOMANGUE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:5.5.3(D)(15) through (18), relative to the Seafood Safety Task Force; to add members to the task force; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported with amendments.

LEGISLATIVE BUREAU AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Legislative Bureau to Reengrossed House Bill No. 639 by Representative Bayham

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 3 proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2026, on page 1, line 9, change "**§230**" to "**230**"

HOUSE BILL NO. 725—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DOMANGUE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 3:4749.4, relative to records for seafood purchases; to require retailers who purchase seafood to retain the records of purchases for at least six months; to require purchase records be made available for inspection by the department; to prohibit false or fraudulent records; to provide for civil penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 782—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BRASS, BACALA, BERAULT, BILLINGS,
ROBBY CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, DOMANGUE,
EDMONSTON, FISHER, GALLE, GREEN, HEBERT, JACKSON, TRAVIS
JOHNSON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, TERRY LANDRY, MACK, MARTINEZ,
MURRAY, NEWELL, ORGERON, SPELL, STAGNI, WILEY, WYBLE, AND
ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 26: 901(introductory paragraph), (1)(introductory paragraph), and (32)(introductory paragraph),

903(1) through (4), 911(B)(2), 916(B), 918(A)(introductory paragraph) and (1) and (3) and 926.1(J) and (K) and to enact R.S. 26:901(36), 918(E), and 926, relative to vapor and alternative nicotine products; to provide for the definitions of an alternative nicotine product, a vapor product, and a nicotine analogue; to provide for an increase in permit fees; to require a wholesale dealer to verify that a retail dealer has a valid permit; to provide for the suspension or revocation of permits; to provide for the seizure and forfeiture of alternative nicotine and vapor products; to provide for the prohibition of remote sales of alternative nicotine products; to provide for penalties; to provide for submission of marketing approval of alternative nicotine products to the commissioner of the alcohol and tobacco commission; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 847—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BUTLER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:1206(A) and 1207(C) and (G) and to enact R.S. 3:1206(C), relative to the election of district supervisors for the state soil and water conservation commission; to establish the method and administration of elections; to provide for supervisor terms, the filling of vacancies, and eligibility requirements for reappointment or reelection; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 853—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:391, relative to misleading solicitations by nongovernment entities; to provide for what qualifies as a misleading solicitation; to provide for disclosure requirements; to provide for remedies and penalties; to provide for civil damages; to provide for an unfair or deceptive act or practice; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 858—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:4(65), relative to global positioning data for individual animals; to establish a public records exemption for Department of Wildlife and Fisheries data that identifies the location of individual animals; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 861—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MIKE JOHNSON, AMEDEE, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BOUDREAUX, BUTLER, CARLSON, DICKERSON, EGAN, FREIBERG, HORTON, OWEN, SCHAMERHORN, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:782(J)(2)(a) and (b), R.S. 15:574.21(D), R.S. 25:521(A), R.S. 30:521(A)(1), R.S. 41:1501, R.S. 49:214.5.4(G)(8) and 966(B)(3)(b), and R.S. 56:1948.4(B) and to repeal Section 3 of Act No. 323 of the 2013 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 2 of Act No. 427 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Legislature, R.S. 13:782(J)(1), Chapter 1-A of Title 15 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 15:321 through 324, Chapter 13-A of Title 15 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 15:1441 and 1442, R.S. 17:1875, 3398.2(B) through (E), and 3883(A)(6), Subpart J of Part III of Chapter 4 of Title 22 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 22:1201 through 1220, Chapter 13 of Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 23:2021 through 2024, Chapter 23-A of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 25:1021 through 1027, Part I of Chapter 6 of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 30:401 through 403, R.S. 36:4(B)(18) and (34) and (D)(1), 209(A)(10) and (D)(1), 610(C)(2), and 651(K)(2), R.S. 38:90.2 and 90.5(A), Subpart F-1 of Part II-A of Chapter 1 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 39:99.26 through 99.46, Part XI-A of Chapter 1 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 39:332.1, and Chapter 17-F of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 39:1800.21 through 1800.35, R.S. 40:600.91(A)(28)(b), 1730.28.4, and 1730.28.5(C), R.S. 43:111(A)(9), Part VII of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 49:220.31 through 220.33, 966(B)(23), and Chapter 19 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 49:1221 through 1223, Chapter 10-A of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:1317 through 1319, and Part XIII-A of Chapter 1 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 56:699.21 and 699.22, R.S. 56:1948.4(A)(2), Part III-A of Chapter 9 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 56:1948.11 through 1948.13, Part VII of Chapter 9 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 56:1950.21 through 1950.26, and 1681, relative to boards, commissions, committees, councils, authorities, districts, like entities, and funds related thereto; to provide relative to the functional organization of state government by abolishing certain boards, commissions, committees, councils, authorities, districts, like entities, and funds related thereto; to remove references to, provisions for, and the powers, functions, and duties of the Advisory Commission for Louisiana's Energy, Environment, and

Restoration, Advisory Subcommittee of the Accountability Commission, Byways Commission, Centers of Excellence Financing Corporation, Centers of Excellence Program Advisory Board, Clerks of Court Certification Program Committee, Coastal Protection and Restoration Financing Corporation, ENCORE Louisiana Commission, Energy Code Commission, Equal Pay Commission, Floodplain Evaluation and Management Commission, Louisiana Health Plan, Housing and Transportation Planning and Coordinating Commission, Hunting and Fishing Advisory Education Council, Latino Commission, Louisiana Juvenile Jurisdiction Planning and Implementation Committee, Louisiana Music Trail Commission, Louisiana Quincentenary Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Process Technology Advisory Board, Rural Water Infrastructure Committee, Louisiana Sentencing Commission, State Buildings and Lands Highest and Best Use Advisory Group, and Waste Tire Task Force; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

LEGISLATIVE BUREAU AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Legislative Bureau to Reengrossed House Bill No. 861 by Representative Mike Johnson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 2 proposed by the Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2026, on page 1, line 5, change ""Multimodal" to ""and Multimodal"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 15, following "and (D)(1), change "209(A)(10)" to "209(A)(2) and (10)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 17, following "Chapter 1" and before "of Title 39" insert "of Subtitle 1"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 28, following "Advisory Group," delete "and"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 9, line 1, following "36:209(A)(2)" delete the remainder of the line and insert "and R.S. 56:1681 are hereby repealed"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 9, line 29, following "through 324," delete "is" and insert "and R.S. 49:966(B)(23) are"

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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 916—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:754(F)(3), relative to recordation of documents with the clerk of court; to provide for a fee for recording documents; to provide for the deposit of the funds; to authorize cooperative agreements; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 937—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE AND SENATOR KLEINPETER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1484.2(A), 1484.3(6), (7), (8), and (14) through (25), 1484.4(A), (B)(introductory paragraph) and (3), (C)(1), and (D), 1484.5(A), (B)(1) and (3), 1484.6(B) through (E), 1484.8, 1484.9, 1484.11, 1484.13(A), (B)(3) through (7), (C)(2) and (3), 1484.14(A) and (D), 1484.16(7) and (10), 1484.18, 1484.19(1) through (3), 1484.20(1) through (4), 1484.22, 1484.23(A) and (B), 1484.24(C), 1484.25(introductory paragraph) and (2), 1484.26, 1484.27, and 1484.28 and to repeal R.S. 40:1484.3(26) and (27), 1484.6(F), 1484.7, 1484.13(B)(8), 1484.15, 1484.21, and 1484.23(E), relative to the regulation and safety of amusement rides and devices; to provide for definitions; to provide for registration of amusement rides; to repeal relative to inflatable amusement devices; to provide for third-party inspection; to provide for operation; to provide for penalties; to provide for set-up inspection by the fire marshal; to provide for licensing of inspectors; to provide for licensing of operators; to provide for firm licensing; to provide for application procedures; to provide for duties of the state fire marshal; to provide for licensing fees; to provide for prohibited acts; to provide for cease-and-desist orders; to provide for insurance requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 977—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU
AN ACT

To amend and reenact the heading of Chapter 20-A of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to enact Part II of Chapter 20-A of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:1771 through 1775, and to repeal Act No. 481 of the 2025 Regular Session, relative to minors' use of applications; to provide for definitions; to provide for application store requirements; to provide for developer requirements; to provide for protections; to provide for liability; to provide for applicability; to provide for enforcement; to provide for penalties; to provide for severability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1012— (Substitute for House Bill No. 843 by Representative Boyd)

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOYD, BAYHAM, BILLINGS, CARRIER, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSION, FISHER, DANA HENRY, JORDAN, KNOX, LAFLEUR, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, MOORE, MURRAY, NEWELL, TAYLOR, AND WILEY
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:11.2(A)(10) and (K), relative to public records; to limit access to the personal information of a victim of a sex offense; to provide for definitions; to create the Sexual Assault Survivor Empowerment and Privacy Protection Act; to provide relative to time delays related to the removal of published personal information; to provide for criminal penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1044—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 9:2801.3, relative to classification of separate property; to provide relative to future earnings as it relates to the community property regime; to provide relative to unearned portions of employment contracts; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1054—
BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO
AN ACT

To enact Code of Evidence Article 902.1, relative to evidence; to provide for self-authentication of certain evidence; to provide relative to certain footage; to provide for time periods; to provide for applicable proceedings; to provide for notice; to provide for certificates; to authorize the filing of a demand for certain testimony; to provide for service; to provide relative to the extension of time periods; to provide for duties of the court; to provide relative to the admissibility of certain evidence; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1071—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:3.7, relative to public records; to provide an exception for certain records of critical infrastructure of aerospace facilities or aerospace activities; to provide conditions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1091—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOUDREAU
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.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1117—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:868(B), relative to certain insurer contractual payments; to provide for prescriptive periods; to provide for payment under terms of contracts; to provide for effectiveness; 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 Legislative Bureau amendments were adopted and the Bills and Joint Resolutions were read by title and passed to a third reading.

Introduction of Senate Resolutions

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 108—
BY SENATOR JENKINS

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Eddie Eugene Hughes and his culinary legacy, bestowed upon the city of Shreveport, which created the "Shreveport Stuffed Shrimp Festival Day" event.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 109—
BY SENATOR STINE

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Monday, May 11, 2026, as Louisiana Arts Day in Louisiana.

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

Introduction of Senate Concurrent Resolutions

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 56—
BY SENATOR FOIL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the 175th anniversary of the Young Men's Christian Association, recognize its role in strengthening communities, and encourage continued efforts to promote well-being and community connection.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57—
BY SENATOR SEABAUGH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Jonathan Lucroy on being inducted into the 2026 class of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

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

Senate Resolutions on Second Reading

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 107—
BY SENATOR BOUDREAU

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Joel Parker Sr.

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

Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53—
BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create a task force to study the use of payable-on-death and transfer-on-death accounts and to evaluate the need for revisions to applicable state laws.

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54—
BY SENATOR WOMACK AND REPRESENTATIVE RISER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the Congress of the United States to support H.R.1514 and R.S.1078 of the 119th Congress, entitled the "Mississippi River Basin Fishery Commission Act", and to take such actions as are necessary to ensure the state of Louisiana will join the commission as a voting member upon its passage.

The resolution was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Natural Resources.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 55—
BY SENATOR CONNICK

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate the Peggy Martin Rose as the official state rose.

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

Message from the House

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

April 29, 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:

- HB No. 227 HB No. 398 HB No. 689
- HB No. 897 HB No. 1029 HB No. 1107
- HB No. 1217

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

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on First Reading

HOUSE BILL NO. 227—
BY REPRESENTATIVE VENTRELLA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(2) and Code of Criminal Procedure Article 14.1(B), relative to court filings; to permit filings on letter size paper; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 398—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:231(A) and (C) and to enact R.S. 13:6, R.S. 24:16, and R.S. 39:231(E), relative to travel by state government officers and employees; to provide a maximum for payments by the state for meals and incidental expenses; to provide for applicability; 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. 689—

BY REPRESENTATIVE AMEDEE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 46:109, relative to public assistance benefits; to provide for the duties of the Department of Children and Family Services and the Louisiana Department of Health; to provide for reporting; to provide for the adjustment of benefits under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 897—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 46:972.2, relative to Louisiana Pregnancy and Baby Care Initiative; to protect healthcare data; to provide for definitions; to establish procedures to obtain and revoke consent to share information; to provide for enforcement; to allow for the imposition of fines; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1029—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 26:81.1(A) and 281.1(A) and to enact R.S. 26:81.1(D) and 281.1(D), relative to limitations on the issuance of certain alcohol beverage permits; to extend the moratorium on the issuance of alcoholic beverage permits in certain areas; to provide for exceptions; 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. 1107—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 905.5.1(C) and 924(introductory paragraph) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 905.5.1(I), 924(7) through (9), and 926.5, relative to intellectual disabilities in capital cases; to provide for definitions; to provide for a prohibition; to provide relative to the effectiveness of certain provisions of law; to provide for legislative overrule of certain jurisprudence; to provide for a burden of proof; to provide for criteria; to provide for duties of the court; to provide for duties of the defendant or petitioner; to provide relative to evidentiary hearings; to provide for retroactivity; to provide for applicability; 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. 1217—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ECHOLS
AN ACT

To enact Subpart C-2 of Part II of Chapter 6 of Title 22 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 22:1870.11 through 1870.22, R.S. 40:2864(D) and (E), relative to pharmacy benefit managers, insurers, and third-party administrators; to enhance transparency, reporting, and disclosure of affiliated entities; to establish audit and enforcement authority; to provide for civil penalties, treble damages, and cost recovery; to create the Pharmacy Benefit Enforcement Fund; to provide for oversight and accountability in pharmacy benefit management; and to provide for related matters.

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 167—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FREIBERG AND CHENEVERT
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:828.5, relative to inmates; to provide for issuance of certain documentation and certification to inmates; to provide for criteria; to provide for restrictions; to provide for a definition; to provide for duties of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections; to provide for duties of the office of motor vehicles; to provide for rulemaking; 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. 181—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 24:513(Q) and R.S. 47:1508(B)(44), relative to Medicaid program and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program integrity; to authorize the Louisiana Department of Revenue to share state income tax return data with the legislative auditor for certain limited purposes; to authorize the legislative auditor to utilize such data for purposes of Medicaid and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program fraud detection and prevention; to provide for interagency agreements relative to sharing of data; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 243—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILDER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 682, relative to the recusal of a district attorney; to provide for the notification to the attorney general; to provide for the appointment of an attorney for the recused district attorney; 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. 316—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:24.10(K), to enact R.S. 17:7.2(A)(11) through (13), 24.14, 100.13(N), and 3996(B)(24), and to repeal R.S. 17:24.9(C), relative to literacy; to require that certain teacher education programs provide for certain components relative to adolescent literacy; to provide requirements for the state Department of Education, public school governing authorities, and public schools with respect to adolescent literacy; to provide with respect to high-dosage tutoring; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicability and implementation; 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. 321—

BY REPRESENTATIVES LAFLEUR, BOUDREAUX, BOYER, HORTON,
KNOX, MOORE, AND WILEY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:46.2(F)(1), 46.3(E), 82(G), 82.1(A)(introductory paragraph) and (1), (B), (D)(2) and (3)(b), (E), and (F), 82.2(E), 83(C), 83.3(D), 83.4(C), 89(C)(2), and 89.2(D)(1) and (5) and Children's Code Articles 804(3) and (5) and 839(D) and to enact R.S. 14:83.1(C), 83.2(C), and 84(C), relative to victims of human trafficking and prostitution offenses; to provide for an exemption from criminal responsibility and delinquency proceedings; to provide relative

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to affirmative defenses for prosecution of certain offenses; to provide eligibility for specialized services; to provide relative to conduct that constitutes prostitution; to revise certain terminology relative to prostitution involving persons under eighteen years of age; 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. 335—
BY REPRESENTATIVE CHANCE HENRY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:233.4(A), (C)(introductory paragraph), and (D) and to enact R.S. 46:233.4(C)(4) and (G), relative to verification of citizenship of applicants for public benefits; to provide relative to entities administering public benefits; 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. 492—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SPELL
AN ACT

To enact Part IV-A of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 49:219.1.1 through 219.1.4, relative to the Governor's Task Force on Impaired Driving; to create the Governor's Task Force on Impaired Driving; to provide for the policy and purpose; to provide for membership; to provide for powers, duties, and procedures; to provide for assistance and cooperation of other agencies relative to the task force; to provide for use of facilities relative to the task force; 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. 578—
BY REPRESENTATIVES MIKE JOHNSON, AMEDEE, BAYHAM, BUTLER, CHENEVERT, CREWS, DEWITT, DICKERSON, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FARNUM, FIRMENT, HORTON, OWEN, SAWYER, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, AND WILDER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Civil Code Article 14, Code of Civil Procedure Article 5055, Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 4, 795(C), (D), and (E), 989, 992, 994, 997, 998, and 999.1, Children's Code Articles 106, 720(B)(1), 725, 1217.1(A)(4), and 1239.1(A)(4), R.S. 1:8, R.S. 3:1493(E) and 2074(E), R.S. 4:158.2(A)(2) and 193(B), R.S. 9:2720(D), R.S. 11:3390 and 3662, R.S. 13:1856(1) and 1857(A)(8)(d)(ii) and (iii), R.S. 14:107.2(A), R.S. 15:827.3(A)(2)(c)(i), 832(A), 905(F)(13)(b) and (14)(a)(ii) and (d)(ii), 933(D)(4)(introductory paragraph) and (E)(1)(introductory paragraph), 934(B)(4), 1110(D)(3), 1204.2(B)(4), and 1228.9(D)(1)(a), R.S. 17:17.5(B)(2), 100.13(G)(2)(f) and (J), 221.3(B)(2)(d), 416(M), 416.21(N)(3)(a) and (b)(i)(aa) and (bb), 1519.7(C), 1871(A)(3), 1998, 3047.7(B)(2)(a), 3351(B)(2)(b)(ii), 3399.12(5)(i), 3911(B)(1)(i)(introductory paragraph) and (4)(a)(introductory paragraph), 3991(A)(1)(b)(iv) and (B)(3), and 5067(B)(7), R.S. 22:1204(A)(10)(b), 1504(1), 1545(I)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (J), 1808.2(H), 2161(B), 2187(D)(4), and 2503(9)(b)(introductory paragraph), R.S. 23:2043(B)(1), R.S. 27:46(B), R.S. 32:398.10(A)(2) and 429.3, R.S. 33:130.302(A)(2), 130.882(A)(2), 363(D), 2740.70.3(B)(2), 4071(A)(6), and 4720.301(G)(2), R.S. 36:108(B)(5), R.S. 37:832(A)(2), 914(B)(3), 962(C), 1042(B)(1)(b), 1104(A), 1172(A), 2102(A)(2), 2353(A)(2), 2403(H), 2407(D), 2455(B)(1), 2704(A)(introductory paragraph), 3061(A)(2)(c), 3084(B)(2), 3201(B)(2), 3386.2(C), 3389(C), 3444(A), 3463(B)(1), 3554(A)(2), and 3703(B)(3), R.S. 40:31.61, 101(D)(1), 600.151(D)(1)(l)(ii)(hh) and (m)(iv), and 2403(H)(1), R.S. 42:2.1(A) and 1132(B)(1)(a) through (c), R.S. 46:153.3(D)(1), 288.5(1), 460.37(B)(10), 1095(A), and 1941.8(A)(introductory paragraph), R.S. 47:337.14(E)(2) and 1702(6), R.S. 48:2134(C)(introductory paragraph), R.S. 49:1112(B)(1), R.S. 51:942(A) and 1762(A)(8)(a)(iii), R.S.

56:108(A) and 1705(C), relative to use of terms; to provide for the Restoring Biological Truth Act; to change references from gender to sex; to provide with respect to definitions; to provide for the use of gender and number; to provide for boards, commissions, and councils; to provide for statistical data collection and reporting; to provide for various technical revisions; 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. 624—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:416.16(A)(1)(a) through (c), (2), and (4), (B)(2) and (3), (C), (D)(1), (F), (G)(introductory paragraph), and (J) and 3996(B)(33) and to repeal 17:416.16(G)(4) and (5), relative to school emergency operations plans; to provide for plan components; to provide for the personnel participating in the development and execution of the plan; to provide for emergency preparedness activities; to provide for definitions; to revise terminology; 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. 708—
BY REPRESENTATIVE VENTRELLA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2602 and to enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 4912(C), relative to justice of the peace court districts and jurisdiction in East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide for jurisdiction over evictions for justice of the peace courts in East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide for concurrent jurisdiction with the city courts of East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide for district boundaries of the justice of the peace courts in East Baton Rouge Parish; 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. 864—
BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4741.1, relative to the establishment of fire limits; to authorize a municipality to prevent fires by establishing fire limits and prohibiting the storage, placement, accumulation, abandonment, or use of flammable materials beneath certain structures; to provide that any parish or municipality may authorize the use of flammable, explosive, or combustible materials for certain events; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; 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. 906—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BILLINGS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:410.3, 445.1, 521(B)(1), 1280.21, and 1280.22(A) and (B)(3)(b), relative to elections; to provide relative to party primary elections; to provide relative to participation by unaffiliated voters in party primary elections; to authorize a major political party to allow for participation by unaffiliated voters; to provide for notification to the Department of State; to provide for nominating petitions for candidates for presidential nominee; to provide for the required number of signatures; to provide for requirements for voters who sign the nominating petition; 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 Senate and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 968—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:571.37(B) through (D) and (E)(1) and to enact R.S. 15:571.37(F), relative to electronic monitoring; to provide relative to payment of costs for electronic monitoring supervision; to provide for conditions of electronic monitoring; to provide for penalties; to provide for duties of the court; to provide for contradictory hearings; to provide for duties of electronic monitoring service providers; 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. 969—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 4:176(B), R.S. 10:9-406(i) and 9-408(f), R.S. 15:574.4.2(C)(1), 705(C)(3)(a) and (D)(3), 874(7), 875(E), and 1223, R.S. 27:94(C), 252(C), 394(C), and 610(A)(3)(c), R.S. 32:865(B)(2), R.S. 36:4(B)(11)(b), R.S. 40:1216.1(A)(introductory paragraph) and (6)(introductory paragraph) and (b), R.S. 44:4(28), the heading of Chapter 21 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S. 46:1801, 1802(introductory paragraph), (1) through (4), (5)(introductory paragraph), (a) through (c), (e), and (f), and (6) through (15), 1803 through 1806, 1807(A), (B), (C), (D)(1), and (F), 1808, 1809(A), (B), (C), (D)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (b) and (2), and (E), 1810, 1811(A), (B), and (C), 1812 through 1815, 1816(A), (B)(introductory paragraph), (4), (5), and (8), (C), (D)(1)(b) and (2), and (E)(2), 1817(A) and (B), 1818 through 1822, 1842(introductory paragraph) and (9), 1844(V) and (W)(1)(a), (3), and (5)(a) and (c), 1851, 1852(D), and 1853(A), (B)(introductory paragraph) and (2), and (C), Code of Criminal Procedure Article 890.2(D), Children's Code Articles 811.1(A)(introductory paragraph) and (7) and 811.2(D), to enact R.S. 46:1802(5)(h) and (16) through (20), and to repeal Chapter 21-A of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 46:1831.1 through 1831.16, relative to compensation for victims of criminal offenses; to change all references of the "Crime Victims Reparations Fund" to "Crime Victims' Compensation Fund", "Crime Victims Reparations Board" to "Crime Victims' Compensation Board", and "reparations" to "compensation"; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicable crimes; to provide for duties, powers, and procedures of the board; to provide for applications and eligibility; to provide for award amounts and criteria; to provide for prohibitions; to provide for duties of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice; to provide for duties of the attorney general; to provide for penalties; to provide relative to reimbursements; to repeal the Victims of Vehicular Homicide Act; 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. 978—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:168(B)(1)(a), relative to the judicial district indigent defender fund; to provide an exception for municipalities with certain populations; 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. 985—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:412(I) and R.S. 40:1321(J), relative to sex offenders; to provide relative to identification procedures for

sex offenders; to provide relative to duties of sex offenders; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1005—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:2800.16, R.S. 11:1902(introductory paragraph) and (12)(c) and 1903(A)(2), R.S. 13:996.43(C), 1381.5(B)(2)(d), 2081.3, and 5951(E)(1)(b), R.S. 15:146, 148(B)(introductory paragraph) and (1)(c), 161(Section heading) and (E)(introductory paragraph) and (12), 162(D), 165(B)(1)(b) and (2) and (E), 169(B), 174(C), 176(C)(1), 185.2(introductory paragraph), (5), and (8), 185.3(A)(2) and (B)(introductory paragraph), (11), (14)(b)(introductory paragraph) and (iii), and (19)(introductory paragraph) and (g), 185.4(A) and (B)(introductory paragraph), (2)(b), (8), and (10), 186.3(A)(2), (B)(introductory paragraph), (10), (13)(introductory paragraph) and (c), and (18)(introductory paragraph) and (c), 186.4(A), 186.6, 571.11(L)(introductory paragraph), (1)(a)(iv), (b)(iv), and (c)(iv), and (3)(d) and (M)(3), 1202(A)(14), and 1442(C)(introductory paragraph) and (7), R.S. 22:822(B)(1)(d) and (2)(introductory paragraph) and (d), R.S. 36:4(B)(introductory paragraph) and (21), R.S. 42:1121(I), R.S. 46:2168(B)(1) and 2605.4(C)(1)(h), Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 895.1(B)(introductory paragraph) and (1) and 953, Children's Code Articles 574, 575(A) and (B), 581(A)(introductory paragraph) and (7), and 608(B), to enact R.S. 15:145 and 161(J), and to repeal R.S. 15:161(H), relative to the office of the state public defender; to provide consistent terminology; to provide for the correction of cross-references; to provide relative to district public defenders; 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. 1032—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:414(A)(1)(a), (B)(2)(a), (D)(1)(a), (I)(1), and (V), 661(A)(3), 896(A), and 1420, relative to substances involved in the violation of operating a motor vehicle under the influence; to provide for uniform references to substances involved in operating a motor vehicle under the influence; 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. 1077—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MARTINEZ

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 26:271.1(A)(1), relative to microbreweries; to provide relative to permits; to authorize a permit for the sale of manufactured beverages at special events; 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. 1095—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2009.24(C)(1)(introductory paragraph), relative to alternative power sources at nursing facilities; to require nursing facilities to have fuel or an alternative power generation source to power nursing facilities; and to provide for related matters.

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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1104—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DANA HENRY
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:406, relative to the manufacture, transfer, or sale of motor vehicle key programming or emulating devices or relay attack devices; to prohibit the manufacture, transfer, or sale of such devices; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; 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. 1118—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FISHER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:2104.1, relative to certain agreement disclosures between hospitals and real estate investment trusts; to provide for definitions; to provide for reporting requirements; to provide for entering into a lease agreement with a real estate investment trust; to provide for the publication of records; 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. 1157—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BOURRIQUE AND CHASSION
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 36:4(B)(39), R.S. 48:77.3, and Subpart B of Part V of Chapter 1 of Title 48 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 48:81 through 87, relative to funding certain entities for infrastructure related projects; to create the Louisiana State Infrastructure Bank within the office of the governor; to provide for a board of directors; to provide for membership, duties, and authority of the board; to provide for technical support coordination with the Department of Transportation and Development, the Department of Treasury, and Louisiana Economic Development; to provide for adoption of bylaws, rules, and regulations by the board; to establish the Louisiana State Infrastructure Fund as a special fund in the state treasury and to provide for accounts within the fund; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use, as specified, of monies in the fund and accounts; to provide for the powers and duties of the state treasurer; to authorize the bank to incur debt and issue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness and to guarantee the debt of other entities; to authorize loans and other financial assistance from the fund to certain entities, including private entities participating in public infrastructure projects as permitted by federal law; to provide procedures to enter into such indebtedness; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1187—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SAWYER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:2297(D)(2), 2307(G), and 2317 and to enact R.S. 22:2292(A)(13), relative to emergency assessments of the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation; to provide for definitions; to provide for the disposition of certain monies; to provide for deposit authorization of certain monies; to provide for certain prerequisites; to provide for administrative costs; to provide for reporting requirements; 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. 1189—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRYANT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:302.9(A)(1)(b) and (3), relative to charter boat fishing guides; to require that freshwater charter boat fishing guides obtain a United States Coast Guard captain's license if operating on waters of the United States located in Louisiana; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1195—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 4:64, 65(C)(introductory paragraph), 82, 82.2, and 422(D), to enact R.S. 4:82.3 and 422(E) and (F), and to repeal R.S. 4:422(C), relative to the Louisiana State Athletic Commission; to provide for rules and regulations of contests or exhibitions; to provide for fines and penalties; to provide for penalties for noncompliance; to provide for disciplinary actions by the commission; to provide a fee schedule for the registration of athlete agents; to provide for the deposit of monies collected from fees into the Department of Justice Legal Support Fund; to provide relative to the term of registration; 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. 1198—
BY REPRESENTATIVE AMEDEE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:4216 and R.S. 13:1805(C) and to enact R.S. 13:1805(D), relative to child custody; to provide relative to public policy; to provide relative to arbitration of child custody matters; to provide relative to child custody agreements from foreign countries; to provide relative to fundamental constitutional rights; 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. 1220—
BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1263(B)(1) through (7), (C)(1)(a) and (2)(b), and (D)(1), 1266, and 1270(A)(introductory paragraph) and (9) and to enact R.S. 37:1263(C)(3) and (D)(4) and (5), relative to the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners; to provide for membership of the board; to provide for the duties of the board; to provide for qualifications of the members of the board; to establish a procedure for filling vacancies of the board; to provide for the president of the board; to provide for executive staff of the board; and to provide for related matters.

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

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

Senator W. Jay Luneau, Chair on behalf of the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs, submitted the following report:

April 29, 2026

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to submit the following report:

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.

Reported favorably.

Respectfully submitted,
W. JAY LUNEAU
Chair

**Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
on Second Reading
Reported by Committees**

SENATE BILL NO. 283—

BY SENATOR BARROW

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9038.31(2) and (3), and to enact R.S. 33:9038.82, relative to special districts; to provide for definitions; to create the BLVD at Harding Special District; to provide for the governance and the powers and duties of the district, including tax, bond, and tax increment finance authority; 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. 283 by Senator Barrow

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

"(d) The member of the Baton Rouge Metropolitan Council whose district encompasses all or the greater portion of the area of the district shall appoint one person."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, line 16, change "(d)" to "(e)"

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. 338—

BY SENATOR BARROW AND REPRESENTATIVES MOORE AND WALTERS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:416.14(D)(3)(e)(iii), relative to prevention of bullying in schools; to prevent bullying in schools; 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. 338 by Senator Barrow

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "17:416.14(D)(3)(e)(iii)" insert "and (iv)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, after "17:416.14(D)(3)(e)(iii)" delete "is" and insert "and (iv) are"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, between lines 9 and 10 insert the following:

"(iv) Require the parent or legal guardian of the student involved to attend school with the student for one week upon return of the student to school."

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. 488—

BY SENATOR EDMONDS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:416.16.2, relative to school crisis management and response plans; to provide for the School Safety Drone Response Pilot Program; to establish eligibility to participate in the pilot program; to provide for administration of the program; 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. 488 by Senator Edmonds

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 13, change "**Schools**" to "**Education**"

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. 520—

BY SENATOR REESE

AN ACT

To enact Subpart A-4 of Part III of Chapter 1 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 17:189.1 through 189.21, and to repeal R.S. 183.1 through 184, relative to high school career option; to provide for a high-quality K-12 career and technical education pathway system; to provide for; and to provide for related matters.

Reported by substitute by the Committee on Education. The bill was read by title; the committee substitute bill was read.

SENATE BILL NO. —

BY SENATOR EDMONDS

AN ACT

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Subpart A-4 of Part III of Chapter 1 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 17:189.1 through 189.20, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

SUBPART A-4. LOUISIANA JUMP START

MODERNIZATION ACT

189.1. Legislative findings; purpose

A. Legislative findings.

The legislature hereby finds and declares all of the following:

(1) Career and technical education is foundational to Louisiana's workforce development, economic competitiveness, and educational goals, and a coherent, high-quality career and technical education system is essential to connecting Louisiana students to priority careers and to meeting regional and statewide employer demand.

(2) Louisiana's long-term economic competitiveness depends on a system that is responsive to labor market demand, supported by cross-agency coordination, and grounded in transparent outcome data.

(3) Louisiana's students, families, and employers are best served by a Jump Start program grounded in strong governance accountability, rigorous program quality standards, public data reporting, and durable industry alignment mechanisms, and this Act establishes the statutory framework necessary to ensure the program delivers lasting, measurable value across administrations and budget cycles.

May 4, 2026

B. Statement of purpose.

The purposes of this Subpart are to accomplish all of the following:

(1) To establish a coherent, high-quality K-12 Jump Start pathway system organized around a clearly defined framework.

(2) To strengthen the governance, quality, and accountability of the Jump Start program by creating a collaborative overseen and facilitated by the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council with defined composition and authority; establishing cross-agency coordination among the state Department of Education, Louisiana Works, the Board of Regents, and the Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges; ensuring that authorized Jump Start pathways lead to viable, high-wage, high-demand occupations; and establishing statute criteria on transparent public data reporting.

(3) To ensure that every Louisiana student has access to, and can complete, rigorous Jump Start pathways by establishing differentiated provisions, guaranteeing postsecondary articulation credit opportunities for Career Diploma completers, and providing that no student's geographic location shall determine the quality or availability of Jump Start pathways available to that student.

C. Program designation; short title.

(1) The career and technical education program established by this Subpart shall be known and may be cited as the "Louisiana Jump Start Career Diploma Program".

(2) This Subpart may be cited as the "Louisiana Jump Start Modernization Act".

(3) Nothing in this Subpart shall be construed to alter the program designation established in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, or to limit the authority of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to develop program materials, adopt administrative rules, and communicate with the public regarding this Subpart using the program name established by this Subsection. Any rules, bulletins, or guidance documents adopted by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education pursuant to this Subpart shall reference the program by its statutory designation.

§189.2. Definitions

The definitions set forth in this Section shall govern the interpretation of every Section of this Subpart. As used in this Subpart, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(1) "Career and technical education" or "CTE". This term shall be interpreted consistent with, and shall not be construed more narrowly than, the definition established in the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006, as amended, 20 U.S.C. 2302(5).

(2) "Career Diploma". A secondary school diploma issued by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to a student who has successfully completed all requirements of an approved Louisiana Jump Start career pathway under this Subpart. A Career Diploma shall be recognized by all Louisiana public postsecondary education institutions.

(3) "Career coach" or "qualified career coach". A person who is not a licensed school counselor but who is authorized by a public school governing authority to provide individualized student career planning and advising services pursuant to R.S. 17:2926, the requirements of this Subpart, and who meets the qualifications pursuant to R.S. 17:189.8. Nothing in this definition shall be construed to authorize a career coach to perform duties reserved by law to a licensed school counselor, except as specifically provided by this Subpart.

(4) "CTE concentrator". A secondary student who has completed at least two credits in a single approved Jump Start pathway.

(5) "CTE completer". A secondary student who has satisfied all requirements of an approved Jump Start pathway under this Subpart, including the nine-credit Jump Start course sequence established in R.S. 17:189.10, and who has earned at least one credential as required for Career Diploma completion. The term includes both students who earn a Career Diploma and students who complete all pathway requirements but do not elect to receive a Career Diploma.

(6) "Career major program". A structured sequence of academic core and career and technical education courses constituting the curriculum of an authorized Jump Start pathway through which a student satisfies the requirements for a Louisiana Career Diploma.

(7) "Enhanced wage record" or "EWR". A quarterly wage record submitted by an employer to Louisiana Works that may include, in addition to the elements required for standard unemployment insurance wage reporting under Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, the following job-level data elements for each employee during the reporting period:

(a) Occupation code consistent with the Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) system.

(b) Total hours worked.

(c) Primary work location.

(d) Hourly wage equivalent.

(e) Job start and end dates.

Enhanced wage record data shall serve as the primary wage and employment outcome tracking mechanism for career and technical education pathway completers pursuant to R.S. 17:189.18.

(8) "Individual Career and Academic Plan" or "ICAP". Longitudinal career development and academic planning document required for each student under R.S. 17:189.7 that identifies the student's career interests, academic strengths, and preliminary career pathway goals. An ICAP shall be initiated no later than the beginning of grade seven, reviewed, and updated annually through grade twelve. The ICAP shall serve as the primary planning instrument connecting the K-12 career awareness and exploration framework to approved Jump Start pathway selection and enrollment, as established in R.S. 17:189.7.

(9) "Individual Graduation Plan" or "IGP". The individualized graduation plan required for each student pursuant to R.S. 17:2925 that sets forth the student's selected course of study, chosen diploma pathway, and postsecondary goals. The IGP shall be aligned with the student's Individual Career and Academic Plan as provided in R.S. 17:189.7, shall be developed, reviewed annually, and revised with the assistance of a school counselor or career coach as provided in R.S. 17:2925, and shall, for a student pursuing a Career Diploma under this Subpart, identify the approved Jump Start pathway selected by the student.

(10) "Individualized Education Program" or "IEP". Written educational plan required for each eligible student with a disability under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq., and as the term applies to students with exceptionalities as defined in R.S. 17:1942. For purposes of this Subpart, an IEP shall be coordinated with the student's Individual Career and Academic Plan and Individual Graduation Plan to ensure meaningful access to appropriate career and technical education pathways consistent with the student's educational goals and all applicable requirements under IDEA, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. 1232g, and R.S. 44:1 et seq.

(11) "Industry credential". An independent, third-party credential that:

(a) Reflects a specific set of competencies related to a particular industry sector or occupation.

(b) Is recognized and accepted by employers in the relevant labor market as evidence of workplace readiness.

(c) Is portable across employers and geographic areas.

(d) Provides a valid and reliable measure of an individual's technical knowledge and skills.

(e) Takes the form of a diploma, certification, certificate, or occupational license. For purposes of this Subpart, a credential must be approved by the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council pursuant to R.S. 23:206.

(12) "K-12 Jump Start pathway" or "Jump Start pathway". An approved, structured sequence of career and technical education courses, work-based learning experiences, and credentials organized around a defined career field within a recognized career cluster and authorized by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education following a recommendation by the collaborative. The term includes both

statewide pathways and regional pathways as defined in this Section, and shall not be construed to include any sequence of courses that does not satisfy the minimum standards pursuant to R.S. 17:189.10.

(13) "Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges" or "LCTC". The public postsecondary education system charged with the administration, management, and supervision of the community colleges, technical colleges, and affiliated institutions within the state.

(14) "Louisiana Workforce Investment Council" or "WIC". The state workforce development board created within Louisiana Works pursuant to R.S. 23:2042 et seq., and placed within the executive office of the secretary of Louisiana Works. The council serves as the state's workforce development board for the purposes of meeting the requirements of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014, 29 U.S.C. 3101 et seq., and is responsible for directing the Occupational Forecasting Conference in determining official information necessary for workforce development planning and budgeting.

(15) "Louisiana Works" or "LA Works". State agency established pursuant to R.S. 23:2061 et seq., that administers Louisiana's workforce development programs, unemployment insurance system, and labor market information services. Louisiana Works shall serve as a data and coordination partner for career and technical education outcome tracking and industry alignment review pursuant to R.S. 17:189.18.

(16) "Local education agency". A public board of education or other public authority legally constituted within Louisiana for the administrative control and direction of, or to perform a service function for, public elementary or secondary schools in a city, parish, or other local public school district, consistent with the definition established in R.S. 17:1942. The term includes each city, parish, and other local public school board responsible for implementing a career and technical education program under this Subpart, and each local school system participating in a regional team pursuant to R.S. 17:189.9.

(17) "Priority occupation". An occupation that has been formally designated by the Workforce Investment Council based on current and projected regional or statewide labor market demand data from Louisiana Works, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, as a priority occupation for career and technical education pathway development and public investment. A priority occupation designation is distinct from the viable occupation standard in Paragraph (22) of this Section in that it reflects an affirmative policy designation for pathway development, not the minimum threshold for pathway authorization.

(18) "Regional pathway". A Jump Start pathway developed by a regional team and authorized by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education for delivery within a defined geographic region of the state, which may be tailored to address regionally specific labor market demands, local industry partner capacity, and regional workforce priorities within that region. A regional pathway shall satisfy all minimum pathway authorization requirements pursuant to R.S. 17:189.13 and shall adhere to the same academic requirements as statewide pathways to enable students to continue postsecondary education following high school graduation.

(19) "Regional team". A multi-agency, multi-sector body under the leadership of LCTC, aligning state and regional workforce priorities with Louisiana Works' strategic goals and federal requirements of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006. Regional teams will include representatives of public community and technical colleges, local education agencies, and business and industry.

(20) "Rural local education agency" or "rural LEA". A local education agency that meets the population density, school enrollment, and geographic criteria established in R.S. 17:189.14 and that is therefore eligible for:

(a) Differentiated pathway authorization thresholds that account for limited local industry partner pools and small student enrollment sizes.

(b) Inter-district consortium pathway authorization allowing multiple rural LEAs to jointly develop and deliver a single pathway.

(c) Rural-specific program delivery provisions pursuant to R.S. 17:189.14.

(21) "Statewide pathway". A Jump Start pathway authorized by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education for delivery statewide, anchored to one or more credentials approved by the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council pursuant to R.S. 23:2065, and meeting all pathway authorization requirements pursuant to R.S. 17:189.13.

(22) "Viable occupation". An occupation that meets the minimum wage and demand standards established by Louisiana Works. The viable occupation standard constitutes the minimum authorization floor for pathway approval and is distinct from a priority occupation designation under Paragraph (17) of this Section.

(23) "Work-based learning". A structured, supervised learning activity that integrates classroom instruction with employer-directed workplace experience through progressively intensive levels of engagement, organized as a tiered quality continuum as established in R.S. 17:189.11. The term includes both school-supervised and employer-supervised placements as categorized in R.S. 17:189.11.

§189.3. Collaborative board; governance; duties

A. Governance; authority.

(1) There is hereby created a multi-agency collaborative, sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "collaborative". The Louisiana Workforce Investment Council within Louisiana Works shall oversee and facilitate the multi-agency collaborative. The collaborative shall include the following members:

(a) The secretary of Louisiana Works, or his designee.

(b) The state Superintendent of Education, or his designee.

(c) The commissioner of Higher Education, or his designee.

(d) The president of the Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges, or his designee.

(e) The chairman of the Workforce Investment Council, or his designee.

(2) Representatives of industry sectors designated as priority industries by the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council and presidents or senior staff representing statewide business or industry associations headquartered in Louisiana shall also serve as members of the established collaborative.

(a) No more than seven industry members shall serve at any one time, and no more than two of the seven industry members shall represent the same priority industry sector. Each such member shall be a current owner, officer, or senior employee of a Louisiana domiciled business.

(b) No more than three presidents or senior staff representing statewide business or industry associations headquartered in Louisiana shall serve at any one time.

(c) The industry representative members described in this Paragraph shall be appointed by the chairman of the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council.

(3) The chairman of the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council shall determine the operational placement of the collaborative within Louisiana Works in consultation with the secretary of Louisiana Works.

(4) Members of the collaborative shall serve as voting members and shall adhere to all meeting and quorum requirements as established by the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council.

(5) The collaborative shall be subject to the Open Meetings Law, pursuant to R.S. 42:11 et seq., the Public Records Law, pursuant to R.S. 44:1 et seq., and the Code of Governmental Ethics, pursuant to R.S. 42:1101 et seq., as applicable to its operations.

(6) The collaborative shall elect a chairman by majority vote of its members. The chairman shall be selected from the industry representative members serving pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this Subsection.

B. Meeting requirements; frequency; public access; record-keeping.

(1) The collaborative shall meet not fewer than four times per calendar year.

(2) All meetings of the collaborative shall be open to the public and conducted in compliance with the Open Meeting Law pursuant to R.S. 42:11 et seq. Written notice of each regular meeting shall be provided not fewer than five business days in advance through the publicly accessible website maintained pursuant to Paragraph (3) of this Subsection. Emergency meetings shall be convened only in compliance with R.S. 42:19.

(3) All records, including meeting minutes, official correspondence, written recommendations, and agency responses, shall constitute public records subject to R.S. 44:1 et seq.

C. Duties and responsibilities.

The collaborative shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

(1) To review each of the following categories of proposed decisions and to issue written recommendations to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education thereon, prior to and as a condition of board action:

(a) Authorization of any new statewide or regional Jump Start pathway pursuant to R.S. 17:189.9.

(b) Significant modification of any currently authorized statewide or regional pathway, defined as any change to a pathway identified credential, required Jump Start career and technical education course sequence, or the work-based learning tier requirement.

(c) Sunset, discontinuation, or deauthorization of any currently authorized statewide or regional pathway pursuant to R.S. 17:189.13.

(d) Reclassification of any credential from one tier to another under the approved credential tier list established pursuant to R.S. 17:189.12, including elevation to a higher tier, demotion to a lower tier, or removal from the approved list.

(e) Adoption or significant revision of the statewide standards applicable to all Jump Start pathway designation proposals under R.S. 17:189.9.

(2) To establish and maintain an inter-agency shared performance framework for the Louisiana Jump Start Career Diploma Program. The shared performance framework shall be binding on each member agency for purposes of annual reporting and shall be reviewed and updated by the collaborative not less than every two years. The framework shall include at minimum:

(a) Student Jump Start pathway completion rates, disaggregated by race, income, disability status, and geographic region.

(b) Credential attainment rates by pathway, disaggregated by credential tier established under R.S. 17:189.12.

(c) Post-graduation employment rates and median wages for Career Diploma holders, measured at one year and three years after graduation using enhanced wage record data as defined in R.S. 17:189.2.

(d) Postsecondary continuation rates for Career Diploma holders at Louisiana public postsecondary institutions.

(e) Advanced work-based learning participation rates, defined as Level 3 or above under R.S. 17:189.11.

(f) Pathway-level return on investment metrics pursuant to R.S. 17:3138.13.

(3) To implement and maintain the shared performance framework established pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this Subsection in a manner that is consistent and coordinated with any existing or future legislation addressing K-12, postsecondary, or workforce data collection, performance metrics, accountability reporting, or data transparency. In conducting each biennial review and update of the shared performance framework under Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, the collaborative shall assess the framework's consistency with any such legislation enacted or amended since the prior review and shall revise the framework as necessary to avoid duplication, ensure compatibility, and leverage data resources and reporting obligations established by such legislation.

(4) To review and issue written recommendations to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education on the designation, reclassification, elevation, demotion, or removal of

credentials from the approved credential tier list pursuant to R.S. 17:189.12.

(5) To prepare and publish an annual performance report on Jump Start program outcomes, submitted to the legislature and posted publicly not later than December first of each year. The annual report shall present data measured under the shared performance framework established pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this Subsection.

(6) To establish an inter-agency Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) specifying each member agency's obligations under the shared performance framework, annual reporting deadline, and data sharing responsibilities pursuant to R.S. 17:189.18.

D. Collaborative authority; scope and limits.

(1) The authority of the collaborative is limited to the powers expressly granted by this Subpart. No provision of this Subpart shall be construed to expand the collaborative's authority beyond those expressly granted powers, nor shall this Subpart be construed to limit the rulemaking authority of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education under R.S. 17:7, except as expressly provided in Subsection F of this Section.

(2) The collaborative's written recommendations issued pursuant to Subsection F of this Section are advisory in legal character; they create a procedural prerequisite to The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education action on specified decisions and impose transparency obligations when The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education departs from such recommendations, but they do not in themselves constitute final agency action and shall not be subject to judicial review as final orders.

E. State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education-collaborative jurisdictional boundary; decisionmaking hierarchy

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Subpart or of R.S. 17:7, the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall not take formal action on any of the following categories of decisions without first receiving a written recommendation from the collaborative pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this Subsection:

(a) Authorization of any new statewide or regional Jump Start pathway pursuant to R.S. 17:189.9.

(b) Significant modification of any currently authorized statewide or regional Jump Start pathway, defined for purposes of this Subsection as any change to one or more of the following elements of an authorized pathway:

(i) Pathway identified credential or credential tier.

(ii) The required career and technical education course sequence.

(iii) Work-based learning tier requirement.

(c) Sunset, discontinuation, or deauthorization of any currently authorized statewide or regional pathway pursuant to R.S. 17:189.13.

(d) Reclassification of any credential from one tier to another under the approved credential tier list established pursuant to R.S. 17:189.12, including elevation to a higher tier, demotion to a lower tier, or removal from the approved list.

(e) Adoption or significant revision of the statewide standards applicable to all Jump Start pathway authorization proposals under R.S. 17:189.9.

(2) When The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education proposes to take action on a decision enumerated in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, the following process shall govern:

(a) The state Department of Education shall transmit to the collaborative a written notice of the proposed decision, a complete description of the proposed action, and all supporting documentation material to the decision.

(b) The collaborative shall issue its written recommendation. The written recommendation shall include:

(i) The collaborative's specific recommendation, stated as a recommendation to approve, approve with conditions, deny, or defer the proposed action.

(ii) The collaborative's written findings supporting the recommendation.

(c) If the collaborative fails to issue a written recommendation, the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education may proceed with the proposed action without a recommendation. The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education action record shall document that the collaborative did not issue a timely recommendation.

(3) If the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education takes action contrary to a written recommendation issued by the collaborative pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, the following requirements shall apply:

(a) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall adopt, at the same meeting at which it takes the action that departs from the collaborative's recommendation, written findings stating specifically:

(i) The collaborative's recommendation and the basis stated in its written findings.

(ii) The reasons for departing from the collaborative's recommendation.

(iii) The specific factual and policy basis for the action.

(4) Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to require the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to follow a recommendation or to limit the Board's final rulemaking authority under R.S. 17:7. The collaborative recommendation process required by this Subsection is a procedural prerequisite to final action by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education on the enumerated decision categories, not a limitation on the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education's substantive authority. Compliance with this Subsection does not itself constitute compliance with any other requirement of law applicable to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education's rulemaking or decisionmaking processes.

F. Funding authorization; administrative support.

(1) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated from the state general fund such sums as may be necessary for the collaborative to carry out its duties and responsibilities under this Subpart. The collaborative's funding authorization shall be a continuing authorization subject to annual legislative appropriation.

(2) Members of the collaborative shall serve without compensation. Each industry and association representative shall be entitled to reimbursement for necessary and reasonable travel expenses and per diem incurred in the performance of official collaborative duties, at the rates established by law for state officials and employees.

(3) The Louisiana Workforce Investment Council within Louisiana Works shall provide administrative and staff support to the collaborative, including staff resources necessary for maintaining minutes and records, coordinating meeting logistics, operating the publicly accessible website on which collaborative documents are posted, and preparing reports as required under this Subpart.

§189.4. Industry sector prioritization; priority occupation determination

A. Statewide priority industry list; establishment and maintenance; priority industry alignment process.

(1) The collaborative shall establish, maintain, and update a Statewide Priority Industry List, sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "Priority List", identifying the industry sectors in Louisiana designated as priority industries for purposes of K-12 Jump Start pathway development and credential tier classification pursuant to R.S. 17:189.12 in alignment with the priorities of the Board of Regents, Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges, and the Workforce Investment Council's statewide strategic workforce plan. The collaborative may identify an established Louisiana council, committee, or agency to support the development and maintenance of the Priority List.

(2) An initial Priority List shall be acknowledged by the collaborative not later than one hundred eighty calendar days after the effective date of this Subpart, following the data-driven process specified in Subsection B of this Section, and shall be published on the publicly accessible website maintained pursuant to R.S. 17:189.3.

(3) No Jump Start pathway shall be authorized under this Subpart unless the pathway is aligned to an occupation within an

industry sector included on the Priority List or, for regional pathways, the applicable Regional Priority Industry List established under Subsection F of this Section. Inclusion of an industry sector on the Priority List shall not constitute pathway authorization; all pathways must separately satisfy the requirements of R.S. 17:189.9.

(4) All collaborative determinations under this Section shall be based on documented analysis of current, publicly available labor market and wage data.

B. Biennial industry-level priority review; distinct from five-year pathway cycle.

(1) The collaborative shall conduct a comprehensive review of the Statewide Priority Industry List established under Subsection A of this Section not less frequently than once every two years. The first Biennial Priority Review shall be completed not later than twenty-four months after the initial Priority List is established pursuant to Paragraph (A)(2) of this Section. Subsequent Biennial Priority Reviews shall be completed not later than twenty-four months after the completion of the preceding review.

(2) The Biennial Priority Review is a distinct and independent process from the five-year pathway reauthorization cycle established in R.S. 17:189.13. Neither process satisfies nor substitutes for the other.

(3) Following each Biennial Priority Review, the collaborative shall:

(a) Issue a written Priority Review Report summarizing all findings, data sources, and determinations.

(b) Post the Priority Review Report on the publicly accessible website maintained pursuant to R.S. 17:189.3, not later than thirty calendar days following the meeting at which the review was completed.

(c) Notify each local education agency and each regional team of any additions to, removals from, or modifications to the Priority List, including the effective date of such changes and the data basis for each change.

(d) Transmit the Priority Review Report to the chair of the House Committee on Education and the chair of the Senate Committee on Education, consistent with the collaborative's annual reporting obligations under R.S. 17:189.3.

(4) Where the collaborative's Biennial Priority Review results in the removal of an industry sector from the Priority List, Jump Start pathways aligned to occupations within that sector that were authorized before the removal shall not be automatically deauthorized. Such pathways shall remain authorized until their next scheduled reauthorization review under R.S. 17:189.13.

C. Regional priority industry lists.

(1) In addition to the Statewide Priority Industry List established under Subsection A of this Section, each region and regional team, established pursuant to R.S. 17:189.9 shall develop a Regional Priority Industry List, sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "Regional List", identifying the priority industry sectors of the region served by that regional team. Regional Lists shall reflect the specific labor market conditions of the relevant region.

(2) Regional Lists shall be developed and approved through the following process:

(a) Each regional team shall develop a proposed Regional List, drawing on the regional labor market data.

(b) The regional team shall submit its proposed Regional List to the collaborative, accompanied by:

(i) All supporting regional labor market data.

(ii) Where sectors not on the Statewide Priority Industry List are proposed for regional inclusion, employer demand documentation.

(c) The collaborative shall review each proposed Regional List and shall approve, approve with modifications, or return the proposed list to the regional team with written findings. A Regional List approved under this Subparagraph shall take effect upon collaborative approval and shall be published on the publicly accessible website maintained pursuant to R.S. 17:189.3 (H)(3).

(3) A Regional List shall be updated by its regional team within six months following the collaborative's completion of

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each Biennial Priority Review. A regional team may propose an interim update to its Regional List at any time, prior to the conclusion of a Biennial Priority Review cycle, if documented changes in regional labor market conditions published by Louisiana Works or reported by local and regional workforce development boards warrant a revision.

(4) No Jump Start pathway shall be authorized under this Subpart for an occupation within an industry sector that is not included on an applicable Regional Priority Industry List for the workforce development region in which the pathway would be delivered. Alignment with a Regional List is a necessary but not sufficient condition for regional pathway authorization; all regional pathways must separately satisfy the full requirements of R.S. 17:189.9.

§189.5. Louisiana Career Diploma; equal status

A. Career Diploma.

(1) There is hereby established within the Louisiana Jump Start Career Diploma Program a credential to be known as the "Louisiana Career Diploma", which shall be issued by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to any student who successfully completes all requirements of an approved Louisiana Jump Start pathway under this Subpart, as defined in R.S. 17:189.2(12).

(2) All provisions of this Subpart shall be administered to support and accurately measure Career Diploma attainment.

(3) The state Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall establish and maintain, in administrative rules adopted consistent with R.S. 17:7, all requirements for the award of the Louisiana Career Diploma, consistent with the standards established in this Subpart.

B. Standard diploma.

(1) A Louisiana Career Diploma issued pursuant to this Subpart shall be a standard diploma for all purposes under Louisiana law.

(2) For purposes of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, "all purposes under Louisiana law" includes but is not limited to:

(a) Employment by state agencies, state departments, political subdivisions, and other state entities that require a high school diploma or equivalent as a minimum qualification.

(b) Eligibility for admission to Louisiana public postsecondary education institutions under the circumstances provided in Subsection C of this Section.

(c) Eligibility for state financial aid programs that require a high school diploma as a qualifying criterion.

C. Postsecondary nonrestriction.

(1) A Career Diploma issued to a student pursuant to this Subpart shall not limit a graduate's right to pursue postsecondary education for which the graduate is otherwise eligible.

(2) All Louisiana public postsecondary institutions shall recognize the Louisiana Career Diploma as equivalent to a standard diploma.

(3) Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to require any postsecondary institution to admit a graduate who does not otherwise meet the institution's published admissions standards.

(4) The Board of Regents shall, not later than one year after the effective date of this Subpart and annually thereafter, certify to the legislature and to the Louisiana Jump Start Collaborative that no Louisiana public postsecondary institution under its jurisdiction has adopted or maintained a policy inconsistent with Paragraph (2) of this Subsection.

§189.6. K-12 Jump Start pathway framework

A. Four-stage framework established.

(1) There is hereby established within the Louisiana Jump Start Career Diploma Program a four-stage developmental framework for K-12 career and technical education, to be known as the "Louisiana K-12 Jump Start Pathway Framework", which shall constitute the organizing structure for all career awareness, exploration, concentration, and completion activities within the Jump Start program. The four stages of the framework are designated as Stage I Career Awareness, grades kindergarten through six; Stage II Career Exploration, grades seven through eight; Stage III Career Concentration, grades nine through ten;

and Stage IV Career Completion, grades eleven through twelve, as further described in Subsections B through E of this Section.

(2) The purpose of the four-stage framework is to ensure that student participation in the Louisiana Jump Start Career Diploma Program is the result of a longitudinal, developmentally appropriate progression beginning in elementary school. The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall incorporate the framework into all administrative rules and bulletins governing the Jump Start program.

(3) All stage-level activities and requirements under this Section shall be designed to support Louisiana's compliance with all applicable reporting and performance obligations under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006, as amended, 20 U.S.C. 2301 et seq.

(4) The Louisiana Jump Start Collaborative shall, in conducting the shared performance framework review required under R.S. 17:189.3, include in its assessment findings on stage-level implementation in the annual joint performance report required under R.S. 17:189.3.

B. Stage I: Career awareness grades kindergarten through six.

(1) Stage I shall encompass grades kindergarten through six and shall be designed to build foundational career awareness in students through age-appropriate, structured activities that introduce students to the concept of careers, connect academic learning to workplace applications, and provide exposure to the range of career clusters and industry sectors reflected in the Statewide Priority Industry List established pursuant to R.S. 17:189.4.

(2) Stage I activities shall be incorporated into the instructional program for all students in grades kindergarten through six in public schools statewide. Each local education agency shall ensure that Stage I activities are provided to all students at each applicable grade level during each school year.

(3) Stage I activities may include but are not limited to the following:

(a) Career awareness lessons integrated into core academic subjects.

(b) Guest presentations or virtual career exploration experiences featuring individuals working in priority industry sectors.

(c) School-wide career fairs, career field days, or similar structured career activities.

(d) Age-appropriate exposure to the relationship between educational choices and career pathways.

(e) Introduction to career interest and aptitude inventory tools adapted for elementary grade levels.

(4) The state Department of Education, in consultation with the Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges, shall make available to each local education agency resources identifying age-appropriate activities aligned with the priority industry sectors designated pursuant to R.S. 17:189.4.

C. Stage II: Career exploration grades seven through eight.

(1) Stage II shall encompass grades seven and eight and shall be designed to deepen student career exploration through structured activities that connect student career interests to specific industries, identified pathways, and associated educational options. Stage II shall provide each student with the foundational experience and information necessary to make an informed pathway selection decision and to develop an Individual Career and Academic Plan (ICAP) consistent with R.S. 17:189.7.

(2) Stage II activities shall be incorporated into the instructional and advisory program for all students in grades seven and eight in public schools statewide. Each local education agency shall ensure that Stage II activities are provided to all students at each applicable grade level during each school year.

(3) Stage II activities shall include but not be limited to the following:

(a) Formal career interest and aptitude assessment activities conducted with each student not later than the end of grade seven and reviewed with each student not later than the end of grade eight.

(b) Information provided to each student and the student's parent or legal guardian regarding available Jump Start

pathways along with corresponding occupational outcomes and credential requirements associated with each pathway.

(c) Initiation of each student's ICAP consistent with the requirements of R.S. 17:189.7.

(d)(i) At least one work-based learning activity at Level 1 under the tiered work-based learning quality continuum established in R.S. 17:189.11 per school year in each of grades seven and eight that provides students with first-hand exposure to occupations within one or more priority industry sectors.

(ii) Activities shall be provided with the involvement of school-based administrators, support staff, and local education agency administration.

D. Stage III: Career concentration grades nine through ten.

(1) Stage III shall encompass grades nine and ten and shall be designed to transition students from career exploration to focused career concentration for students who are seeking a Career Diploma.

(2) During Stage III, each student who has elected to pursue a Career Diploma shall:

(a) With the assistance of a school counselor or career coach, finalize the student's Individual Graduation Plan pursuant to R.S. 17:2925 designating the Jump Start pathway as the student's chosen program of study.

(b)(i) Participate in at least one work-based learning activity at Level 2 or above under the tiered work-based learning quality continuum established in R.S. 17:189.11.

(ii) Activities shall be provided with the involvement of school-based administrators, support staff, and local education agency administration.

(3) Nothing in this Subsection shall limit the ability of a student, who has not selected a Jump Start pathway in grades nine and ten, or relocated to a new school or local education agency that does not offer an already selected Jump Start pathway, to elect a Jump Start pathway in grade eleven or twelve, consistent with the student's ability to complete all pathway requirements before graduation.

E. Stage IV: Career completion grades eleven through twelve.

(1) Stage IV shall encompass grades eleven and twelve and shall be designed to support each Jump Start pathway student in completing the requirements for a Career Diploma, including the nine-credit Jump Start course sequence, the required work-based learning activities, and the attainment of an industry-based credential.

(2) During Stage IV, each student pursuing a Career Diploma shall:

(a) Complete the remaining credits of the nine credit Jump Start course sequence required for Career Diploma completion under R.S. 17:189.10.

(b)(i) Participate in at least one work-based learning activity at Level 3 or above under the tiered work-based learning quality continuum established in R.S. 17:189.11 for the student's designated pathway.

(ii) Activities shall be provided with the involvement of school-based administrators, support staff, and local education agency administration.

(c) Prepare for and attempt to attain one or more credentials where identified within an approved Jump Start pathway as established pursuant to R.S. 17:189.12.

(3) Nothing in this Subsection shall limit the ability of a student, who has relocated to a new school or local education agency that does not offer an already selected Jump Start pathway, to elect a Jump Start pathway in grade eleven or twelve, consistent with the student's ability to complete all pathway requirements before graduation.

§189.7. Individual career and academic plans; graduation plans

A. Individual career and academic plan requirement, grade seven initiation.

(1) Each student enrolled in a Louisiana public school shall have an Individual Career and Academic Plan (ICAP), as defined in R.S. 17:189.2(8), initiated not later than the beginning of grade seven. The ICAP shall serve as the primary longitudinal career planning instrument connecting a student's activities under Stage II of the Louisiana K-12 Jump Start Pathway Framework

established in R.S. 17:189.6 to the student's selection of an approved K-12 Jump Start pathway.

(2) An ICAP shall be initiated with the active involvement of the student, the student's parent or legal guardian, and a school counselor or career coach as provided in R.S. 17:189.8 and consistent with Subsection D of this Section.

B. Annual review and update.

(1) Each student's Individual Career and Academic Plan shall be reviewed and updated annually throughout grades seven through twelve. The annual review shall occur in connection with the scheduling of courses for the following academic year and shall be completed not later than sixty calendar days before the end of the applicable academic year.

(2) The annual review shall be conducted with the involvement of the student, the student's parent or legal guardian, and a school counselor or career coach as provided in Subsection D of this Section. The annual review shall address the following:

(a) Whether the student's identified career interests and pathway goals remain current or require updating.

(b) Whether the student's course selections for the upcoming academic year align with the student's pathway goals and graduation requirements.

(c) Students and parents shall have the opportunity to select Course Choice offerings to meet course scheduling requirements.

(d) Whether the student's ICAP needs revision to reflect changes.

(3) The school counselor or career coach shall document each annual review including the date on which the review occurred consistent with the documentation requirements of Subsection D of this Section and the reporting requirements of R.S. 17:189.8.

C. Connection to Authorized Jump Start Pathways.

(1) Each student's Individual Career and Academic Plan shall identify, beginning not later than the end of grade eight, one or more Jump Start pathways that align with the student's stated career interests and/or aptitude assessment results. The identification of pathways in the ICAP shall not constitute a student's enrollment in a pathway or a binding commitment to a specific pathway but shall serve as the basis for future pathway selection.

(2) The state Department of Education shall make publicly available to each local education agency a current list of approved Jump Start pathways, including the required course sequence in a format suitable for use and discussion during ICAP development and review activities with students and their parents or legal guardians pursuant to R.S. 17:189.6.

(3) In all ICAP development and review activities, school counselors or career coaches shall present to students and their parents or legal guardians with available Jump Start pathways along with corresponding occupational outcomes and credential requirements associated with each pathway.

D. Counselor involvement; documentation requirement.

(1) Each Individual Career and Academic Plan shall be developed, annually reviewed, and revised with the active involvement of a school counselor or career coach.

(2) A school counselor or career coach shall meet individually with each student and their parents or legal guardians. Such individual meetings may occur in person or virtually and shall include discussion of the student's career interests, academic progress, Jump Start pathway options, and any recommended revisions to the student's ICAP.

(3) The school counselor or career coach shall document the meeting to include the following:

(a) Date of meeting.

(b) School counselor's or career coach's name.

(c) Name of student served.

(d) Names of parents or legal guardians in attendance.

(e) Any revisions made to the student's ICAP.

Such documentation shall be maintained as part of each student's educational record consistent with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. 1232g, and R.S. 44:1 et seq.

E. Parent or legal guardian notification and approval.

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(1) A student's parent or legal guardian shall be notified of and provided an opportunity to participate in the initiation of the student's Individual Career and Academic Plan and in each required annual review throughout grades seven through twelve.

(2) Prior to formally revising a student's ICAP, the assigned school counselor or career coach shall communicate with the student's parents or legal guardians, in person or virtually, the rationale for any proposed revisions and any potential impact on the student's graduation requirements and postsecondary education goals. Any revision that changes the student's identified pathway or postsecondary goals shall be approved by signature or in writing by the student's parents or legal guardians.

(3) Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to require parental approval for an annual review that makes no substantive change to the student's identified pathway or postsecondary goals, provided the parent or legal guardian received notice of the review and an opportunity to participate.

(4) Each local education agency shall establish a formal communications procedure for parental or guardian notification and for ICAP approval under this Subsection.

F. Coordination with individual graduation plans.

(1) The state Department of Education shall assess the overlap of the state requirement of the Individual Graduation Plan under R.S. 17:2925 for students pursuing a Career Diploma and already engaged in an Individual Career and Academic Plan. The assessment and recommendations shall be submitted to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and to the chair of the House Committee on Education and the chair of the Senate Committee on Education for consideration to administrative rules and statute changes.

G. Student change of Jump Start Pathway; flexibility; parental approval.

(1) A student's Individual Career and Academic Plan shall be flexible enough to permit a student to change their identified Jump Start pathway or career goal during grades seven through twelve, consistent with Subsection E of this Section.

(2) A school counselor or career coach shall not deny a student the opportunity to change their Jump Start pathway designation in the student's ICAP solely on the basis that the student has already enrolled in or begun a course sequence associated with a different Jump Start pathway, but shall advise the student and the student's parents or legal guardians of any course and credit implications and graduation requirement implications of the proposed change prior to formally approving the revision.

(3) A student who changes their Jump Start pathway designation after beginning the nine credit Jump Start course sequence shall not be penalized in the student's ICAP for credits already earned in the prior pathway, except as necessary to ensure that the student meets the graduation requirements.

§189.8. Career counseling and career coaching standards

A. Minimum counselor-to-student ratio for Jump Start Pathway and ICAP advising.

(1) Each local education agency shall ensure that school counselors providing Jump Start pathway advising under this Subpart maintain an advising caseload that allows them to fulfill the Individual Career and Academic Plan requirements of R.S. 17:189.7 for every enrolled student in grades seven through twelve.

(2) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall, not later than one year after the effective date of this Subpart, adopt administrative rules establishing:

(a) A maximum caseload ratio for school counselors providing ICAP advising to students in grades seven through twelve.

(b) A method by which combined caseloads of school counselors and career coaches at a school may be aggregated to determine compliance with the maximum ratio.

(c) A reporting requirement by which each local education agency annually certifies to the state Department of Education, the school counselor and career coach staffing levels at each school and whether the advising caseload ratio for each school complies with the maximum ratio established under this Subsection.

(3) Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to require any local education agency to employ a school counselor if the local education agency meets advising requirements.

B. ICAP and Jump Start pathway-specific counselor training requirements.

(1) Each school counselor assigned Jump Start pathway advising responsibilities, including Individual Career and Academic Plan development and review under R.S.17:189.7, shall complete career and technical education-specific training as described in this Subsection within eighteen months of the effective date of this Subpart, or within eighteen months of initial assignment to ICAP or Jump Start pathway advising responsibilities, whichever is later.

(2) Counselor training shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(a) An overview of the Louisiana Jump Start Career Diploma Program, including the four-stage developmental framework established in R.S. 17:189.6, the pathway authorization and approval process under R.S. 17:189.9 and R.S. 17:189.13, the work-based learning quality standards under R.S. 17:189.11 and the tiered credential system under R.S. 17:189.12.

(b) Applied training in labor market data interpretation, including how to use Louisiana Workforce Commission occupational forecasting data and the priority occupation framework established in R.S. 17:189.4, to support student pathway selection decisionmaking.

(c) Applied training in ICAP development, review, and documentation under R.S. 17:189.7.

(d) Training on the postsecondary articulation agreements established pursuant to R.S. 17:189.15 and on how to communicate postsecondary credit transfer opportunities to students and their parents or legal guardians.

(e) An overview of the Course Choice Program.

(3) The Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges, in consultation with the state Department of Education, shall publish a list of qualified training curriculum vendors for local education agencies and school counselors. The training curriculum shall be:

(a) Procured by the local education agency and provided at no cost to school counselors employed by that local education agency.

(b) Available in online, hybrid, and in-person formats to accommodate the professional development needs of school counselors.

(4) Each local education agency shall provide assurance annually to the state Department of Education on the number of school counselors who completed the training required by this Subsection.

C. Career Coach Authorization; ICAP and Jump Start Pathway-Specific Training Requirements.

(1) Each local education agency may provide for Individual Career and Academic Plan services required under R.S. 17:189.7 through the use of school counselors, career coaches, or a combination of school counselors and career coaches, subject to the limitations and requirements of this Section.

(2) A career coach authorized pursuant to this Subsection may perform the following functions under this Subpart:

(a) Develop, review, and revise ICAPs with students and their parents or legal guardians pursuant to R.S. 17:189.7.

(b) Provide career exploration, career awareness, and Jump Start pathway advising services to students in grades seven through twelve.

(d) Participate in the Stage II and Stage III activities established in R.S. 17:189.6.

(3) An authorized career coach shall not:

(a) Perform any duty that is by law reserved exclusively to a licensed school counselor, except as expressly authorized by this Subpart.

(b) Provide mental health counseling, crisis counseling, or any other clinical counseling service.

(c) Satisfy any statutory or administrative requirement that specifically mandates a licensed school counselor, without explicit authorization or another applicable law to satisfy the requirement.

(4) To be authorized as a career coach under this Subpart, a person shall meet the qualification standards established in Paragraph (5) of this Subsection. A local education agency shall not authorize any person as a career coach for purposes of this Subpart unless the person has been determined to meet the qualification standards established under Paragraph (5) of this Subsection or has received explicit permission from the state Department of Education or its designee.

(5) Career coach training shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(a) An overview of the Louisiana Jump Start Career Diploma Program, including the four-stage developmental framework established in R.S. 17:189.6, the pathway authorization and approval process under R.S. 17:189.9 and R.S. 17:189.13, the work-based learning quality standards under R.S. 17:189.11, and the tiered credential system under R.S. 17:189.12.

(b) Applied training in labor market data interpretation, including how to use Louisiana Workforce Commission occupational forecasting data and the priority occupation framework established in R.S. 17:189.4, to support student pathway selection decisionmaking.

(c) Applied training in ICAP development, review, and documentation under R.S. 17:189.7, including training on the coordination of ICAPs with Individual Graduation Plans under R.S. 17:2925.

(d) Training on the postsecondary articulation agreements established pursuant to R.S. 17:189.15 and on how to communicate postsecondary credit transfer opportunities to students and their parents or legal guardians.

(e) An overview of the Course Choice Program.

(f) Such other qualifications as deemed necessary to ensure that career coaches can provide high-quality, accurate career and pathway advising.

(6) The state Department of Education shall publish a list of qualified training curriculum vendors for local education agencies and career coaches. The training curriculum shall be:

(a) Procured by the local education agency and provided at no cost to school counselors employed by that local education agency.

(b) Available in online, hybrid, and in-person formats to accommodate the professional development needs of career coaches.

D. Regional consortia for school counselor and career coach training.

(1) Two or more local education agencies may form a regional consortium for the purpose of jointly contracting training curriculum vendors, sharing career coach personnel, or coordinating the delivery of services across multiple local education agencies in a region. A regional consortium formed pursuant to this Subsection may operate through an intergovernmental agreement consistent with R.S. 33:1324 or such other legal mechanism as permitted.

(2) A regional consortium formed pursuant to this Subsection shall ensure that each participating local education agency satisfies the ICAP development and review requirements of R.S. 17:189.7 for all enrolled students in grades seven through twelve.

(3) A regional consortium formed pursuant to this Subsection may take advantage of group purchasing, regional contracting, and other economies of scale to reduce the cost of services consistent with applicable state procurement law.

E. Reporting requirements; counseling activity documentation.

(1) Each local education agency shall provide annually to the state Department of Education documentation on the following information for the prior academic year:

(a) The number of school counselors and career coaches employed or contracted by the LEA who provided Jump Start pathway and ICAP advising services, disaggregated by school.

(b) The number of students in grades seven through twelve who received an ICAP initiation, review, or update meeting with a school counselor or career coach for the prior academic year, disaggregated by school and grade level.

(c) Any schools that were not able to meet the ICAP maintenance obligation pursuant to R.S. 17:189.7, including the number of students without a current ICAP.

(2) The state Department of Education shall make available on its publicly accessible website, not later than December first of each year, a summary of Jump Start pathway and ICAP advising services reports submitted by all local education agencies for the prior academic year.

§189.9. Jump Start pathway structure; designation; components; regional teams

A. Pathway framework established.

(1) There is hereby established within the Louisiana Jump Start Career Diploma Program "Louisiana K-12 Jump Start Pathway Authorization Framework", through which Jump Start pathways shall be proposed, reviewed, authorized, and reauthorized. All K-12 Jump Start pathways shall operate within the framework.

(2) All K-12 Jump Start pathways authorized under this Subpart shall be designated as either statewide pathways or regional pathways, and shall satisfy the minimum pathway components established in Subsection E of this Section and the authorization criteria established in R.S. 17:189.13.

(3) No local education agency shall offer or deliver a Jump Start pathway for purposes of awarding a Career Diploma unless that pathway has been authorized.

(4) The Louisiana K-12 Jump Start Pathway Authorization Framework shall be administered by the collaborative consistent with the jurisdictional boundaries established in R.S. 17:189.3.

B. Statewide pathways; requirements.

(1) A statewide pathway shall be available for delivery by any local education agency in Louisiana that satisfies the conditions of Jump Start pathway authorization established in R.S. 17:189.13.

(2) To be eligible for designation as a statewide Jump Start pathway, a proposed pathway shall:

(a) Be aligned to one or more occupations within an industry sector included on the Statewide Priority Industry List established pursuant to R.S. 17:189.4.

(b) Be anchored to one or more credentials approved by the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council pursuant to R.S. 23:2065 or R.S. 17:189.12.

(c) Include a structured nine-credit Jump Start course sequence meeting the requirements of R.S. 17:189.10.

(d) Incorporate a work-based learning component meeting the minimum tier and quality standards established in R.S. 17:189.11.

(e) Demonstrate alignment with documented statewide employer demand for the occupations served by the Jump Start pathway, using the data sources specified in R.S. 17:189.4.

(f) Satisfy all required Jump Start pathway components established in Subsection E of this Section.

(3) The state Department of Education shall maintain and publish a current list of all authorized statewide Jump Start pathways, including the industry sector, credentials, and occupational outcomes associated with each pathway, updated within thirty calendar days of any pathway authorization, modification, reauthorization, or deauthorization.

C. Regional pathways; requirements.

(1) A regional pathway, as defined in R.S. 17:189.2(18), shall be developed by a regional team as described in Subsection F of this Section and shall be available for delivery only within a local or regional workforce development designated area.

(2) To be eligible for designation as a regional Jump Start pathway, a proposed pathway shall:

(a) Be aligned to one or more occupations within an industry sector included on the applicable Regional Priority Industry List established pursuant to R.S. 17:189.4.

(b) Be anchored to one or more industry-based credentials approved by the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council pursuant to R.S. 23:2065 or R.S. 17:189.12.

(c) Include a structured nine-credit Jump Start course sequence meeting the requirements of R.S. 17:189.10.

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(d) Incorporate a work-based learning component meeting the minimum tier and quality standards established in R.S. 17:189.11.

(e) Demonstrate alignment with documented regional employer demand for the occupations served by the Jump Start pathway.

(f) Satisfy all required Jump Start pathway components established in Subsection E of this Section.

(3) A regional Jump Start pathway shall adhere to the same academic credit requirements as statewide pathways, consistent with R.S. 17:189.10.

(4) The collaborative shall not recommend authorization of a regional pathway for an occupation within an industry sector that is not included on the applicable Regional Priority Industry List for the local or regional workforce development region in which the pathway would be delivered, consistent with R.S. 17:189.4.

(5) The state Department of Education shall maintain and publish a current list of all authorized regional Jump Start pathways, including the industry sector, credentials, and occupational outcomes associated with each pathway, updated within thirty calendar days of any pathway authorization, modification, reauthorization, or deauthorization.

D. Pathway tiers; designation criteria.

(1) The collaborative shall establish and maintain a tiered designation system for authorized Jump Start pathways, assigning each pathway to tiers based on industry alignment, credential value, and postsecondary and occupational outcomes.

(2) The collaborative shall assign each authorized pathway a tier designation at the time of initial authorization and shall reassess tier designation at each reauthorization under R.S. 17:189.13 and at any time when changes in credential tier status under R.S. 17:189.12 occur that affect the pathway's tier eligibility.

E. Required pathway components minimum elements.

(1) Each K-12 Jump Start pathway authorized under this Subpart, whether statewide or regional, shall at a minimum include all of the following components:

(a) A structured, sequential career and technical education course of study organized around a defined career field within a recognized career cluster, consisting of not fewer than nine credits as required by R.S. 17:189.10.

(b) A work-based learning component meeting the minimum tier and quality standards established in R.S. 17:189.11.

(c) One or more credentials pursuant to R.S. 17:189.12 that are aligned to the occupational outcomes of the pathway.

(d) A documented connection to one or more priority occupations, as defined in R.S. 17:189.2(17), in an industry sector on the Statewide Priority Industry List or a Regional Priority Industry List, consistent with the requirements of R.S. 17:189.4.

(e) An articulation agreement with at least one Louisiana public postsecondary institution, with priority given to Louisiana community and technical colleges, specifying the credit transfer terms applicable to students who complete the pathway, consistent with the requirements of R.S. 17:189.15.

(f) A career counseling and career coaching plan satisfying the requirements of R.S. 17:189.8, as incorporated into the local education agency's pupil progression plan pursuant to R.S. 17:189.8(G).

(2) No Jump Start pathway shall be authorized or reauthorized unless all components in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection are documented in the pathway authorization proposal under R.S. 17:189.13 and are maintained throughout the pathway's authorization period.

(3) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall, by rule adopted pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., establish additional minimum standards for each required pathway component where necessary to ensure consistent Jump Start pathway quality across the state. Any such additional pathway standards shall not be less rigorous than the standards established by this Section and by R.S. 17:189.10 through R.S. 17:189.15.

F. Regional team structure; composition; responsibilities.

(1) The collaborative, in consultation with Louisiana Works, Louisiana Economic Development, and the Board of Regents, shall establish regional areas. Each region of Louisiana shall have a regional team responsible for regional Jump Start pathway development and oversight as provided in this Subsection.

(2) Each regional team shall be led or facilitated by an institution that falls under Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges and shall be composed of, at minimum, all of the following members:

(a) Representatives of not fewer than two local education agencies operating within the workforce development region.

(b) A representative from not fewer than one Louisiana public postsecondary institution operating within or adjacent to the workforce development region.

(c) Not fewer than three representatives from business and industry operating within the workforce development region, of which at least two shall be representatives of businesses in priority industry sectors designated pursuant to R.S. 17:189.4 for the region.

(3) Each regional team shall:

(a) Develop and submit to the collaborative a proposed Regional Priority Industry List and update that list as required by R.S. 17:189.4.

(b) Identify regional workforce development needs and propose regional Jump Start pathways for authorization under R.S. 17:189.13 that are aligned to the region's documented labor market demand.

(c) Coordinate with local education agencies within the region to support the development, delivery, and continuous improvement of authorized regional Jump Start pathways.

(d) Recruit and establish employer partnerships for work-based learning placements consistent with R.S. 17:189.11.

(e) Participate in mid-cycle Jump Start pathway reviews as required.

(f) Prepare and submit to the collaborative an annual regional report documenting regional Jump Start pathway data, consistent with data elements required by R.S. 17:189.18.

(4) The Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges shall establish regional team operational procedures for:

(a) The selection and rotation of regional team members.

(b) Regional team decisionmaking, proposal submissions, and reporting obligations.

G. Partnering authority; cross-district enrollment; program sharing.

(1) A local education agency that does not have sufficient capacity to independently deliver an authorized Jump Start pathway may fulfill its obligations through one or more of the following arrangements:

(a) A formal partnership with one or more other local education agencies within a workforce development region to jointly deliver a Jump Start pathway, as authorized by applicable Louisiana law governing cooperative endeavors and intergovernmental agreements.

(b) A partnership with a Louisiana community and technical college, consistent with R.S. 17:189.17.

(2) Any partnering arrangement under this Subsection shall be memorialized in a written Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and submitted to the collaborative as part of any pathway authorization or reauthorization proposal under R.S. 17:189.13.

(3) No student shall be assessed a fee for participation in a Jump Start pathway offered through a partnering arrangement under this Subsection. All pathway-related costs incurred in connection with a partnering arrangement shall be funded through available local, state, and federal career and technical education funds, or other lawfully available appropriations.

(4) A local education agency that participates in a partnering arrangement under this Subsection remains responsible for ensuring that the enrolled students receive ICAP services required under R.S. 17:189.7 and R.S. 17:189.8, regardless of the site at which instruction is delivered.

§189.10. Career Major Program; general requirements

A. Career Major Program.

(1) Each authorized K-12 Jump Start pathway under this Subpart shall include a Career Major Program that constitutes

the core academic and technical coursework sequence through which a student pursues a Career Diploma and the nine-credit Jump Start career and technical education course sequence established in Subsection C of this Section.

(2) A Career Major Program shall be developed in alignment with the career cluster and occupational focus of an authorized Jump Start pathway and shall reflect the credential standards required for pathway completion.

(3) The collaborative, or its designee, shall maintain Career Major Program frameworks for each authorized statewide Jump Start pathway. For regional Jump Start pathways, a regional team shall submit a Career Major Program proposal as part of its pathway authorization submission under R.S. 17:189.13.

(4) Each Career Major Program framework shall identify:

(a) Required academic core courses and credit hours.

(b) Required career and technical education course sequence and credit hours.

(c) Assessment requirements under Subsection D of this Section.

(d) Required credential or credentials.

(e) Work-based learning requirements applicable to the pathway.

(f) Any dual enrollment or early postsecondary access opportunities available within the pathway under Subsection G of this Section.

B. Academic core credit requirements.

(1) Students pursuing a Career Diploma through an authorized Jump Start pathway shall satisfy the academic core credit requirements established by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education pursuant to R.S. 17:7 and this Subpart. Academic core credit requirements for Career Diploma students shall be equivalent in rigor and content coverage to those required for a standard diploma.

(2) Nothing in this Subsection shall preclude the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education from establishing equivalent but differentiated elective course options for students pursuing a Career Diploma that replace nonrequired elective courses in the standard diploma track, provided that the differentiated options are aligned to the student's ICAP and Career Major Program.

(3) Academic core credits earned through approved dual enrollment courses pursuant to Subsection G of this Section shall count toward the academic core credit requirements of this Subsection, consistent with R.S. 17:2930 and the provisions of R.S. 17:189.15.

C. Career and technical education course sequence; Jump Start credits.

(1) To earn a Career Diploma, a student shall complete a structured career and technical education course sequence within an authorized Jump Start pathway, consisting of not fewer than nine credits, hereinafter "the nine-credit Jump Start course sequence". The nine-credit Jump Start course sequence shall be composed of courses that are:

(a) Organized sequentially to build progressively on technical knowledge and skills from introductory through advanced levels of pathway-specific competencies.

(b) Aligned to the standards required for a credential or credentials associated with a pathway.

(c) Delivered by instructors who meet the qualification standards established under R.S. 17:189.17.

(d) Approved by the collaborative as part of the Career Major Program framework for the pathway pursuant to Subsection A of this Section.

(2) Of the nine required Jump Start credits, not fewer than two credits shall be earned through courses that include a work-based learning component at or above Level 3 of the tiered quality continuum established in R.S. 17:189.11.

(3) Any credit earned through examination or dual enrollment course aligned to the Jump Start pathway may count toward the nine-credit Jump Start course sequence as part of the Career Major Program framework and consistent with the early postsecondary access provisions of Subsection G of this Section and R.S. 17:2930.

D. Assessment requirements.

(1) Students pursuing a Career Diploma shall, during the course of the nine-credit Jump Start course sequence, complete all assessments required as a condition of the credential or credentials associated with a Jump Start pathway.

(2) Credential assessment results shall be reported as part of the collaborative's annual report, disaggregated by pathway, local education agency, and other categories specified in R.S. 17:189.18.

(3) Nothing in this Subsection shall limit the authority of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to require state-administered assessments for students pursuing a Career Diploma.

E. Career major program access criteria.

(1) Each local education agency operating an authorized Jump Start pathway shall ensure that the Career Major Program courses associated with the pathway are accessible to all students who have selected the pathway as part of their ICAP process.

(2) No admission criteria for a Career Major Program shall be developed unless the collaborative determines, upon documented evidence, that such criteria are necessary for a specific pathway due to technical prerequisite knowledge or by applicable occupational licensing requirements. Any such performance-based access criteria shall be included in the Jump Start pathway authorization proposal submitted under R.S. 17:189.13.

(3) Enrollment management procedures may be developed by a local education agency for a Career Major Program where the number of students seeking enrollment exceeds program capacity. Procedures shall ensure that students and their parents or legal guardians receive ICAP counseling and alternative Jump Start pathway options if they are unable to enroll in their first-choice Jump Start pathway consistent with R.S. 17:189.8.

(4) Students with disabilities shall have access to Career Major Programs consistent with their Individualized Education Programs (IEP) and applicable federal and state special education laws.

F. Local education agency curriculum submission and approval.

(1) A local education agency shall not offer a Career Major Program curriculum that has not been approved by the collaborative. Any material modification to an approved Career Major Program curriculum shall require resubmission. A modification is material if it changes:

(a) One or more courses in the nine-credit Jump Start course sequence.

(b) The required credential or credential tier.

(c) The work-based learning component.

(2) Each local education agency shall communicate annually to the parents or legal guardians of a student enrolled in, or considering enrollment in, an authorized Jump Start pathway. This communication shall be incorporated into the notification obligations of R.S. 17:189.7 and shall occur not later than thirty calendar days before a course selection period for the upcoming academic year.

G. Dual enrollment; early postsecondary access.

(1) Students enrolled in an authorized Jump Start pathway are encouraged to pursue early postsecondary credit opportunities through courses that include accelerated credit such as Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB), credit by examination such as College-Level Examination Program (CLEP), and Fast Forward dual enrollment opportunities in postsecondary courses aligned to their pathway, consistent with R.S. 17:2930 and the postsecondary articulation agreements required under R.S. 17:189.15.

(2) Each Career Major Program framework developed pursuant to Subsection A of this Section shall identify, where available, approved early postsecondary credit opportunities that:

(a) Are aligned to the standards of the Jump Start pathway.

(b) Count toward the nine-credit Jump Start course sequence.

(c) For dual enrollment courses, are offered through a Louisiana public postsecondary institution that has executed an

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articulation agreement with the local education agency or regional team pursuant to R.S. 17:189.15.

(3) No student enrolled in a local education agency shall be charged tuition or fees for dual enrollment course approved as part of a Career Major Program framework, to the extent permitted by applicable state law governing funds for career development and dual enrollment programs.

H. Students with exceptionalities; alternative graduation pathway.

Nothing in this Section shall be construed to preclude a student with an exceptionality, as defined in R.S. 17:1942, from accessing, enrolling in, or receiving a Career Diploma through an authorized K-12 Jump Start pathway. Each local education agency shall ensure that the Career Major Program requirements of this Section are implemented in a manner consistent with each eligible student's Individualized Education Program (IEP), applicable provisions of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. 1401 et seq., and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794.

§189.11. Work-based learning; quality standards and tiered requirements

A. Work-based learning quality continuum; four-level tiered framework.

(1) There is hereby established the "Louisiana Jump Start Work-Based Learning Quality Continuum". The continuum shall consist of four levels organized from least to most intensive as set forth in Paragraphs (2) through (5) of this Subsection. All work-based learning activities for Jump Start pathway purposes shall be classified at one of the four continuum levels.

(2) Level 1: Career awareness activities. Level 1 of the continuum includes structured career awareness experiences that introduce students to occupational roles and workplace environments without a direct employer-supervised placement component.

(a) Level 1 activities include, but are not limited to:

- (i) Employer-in-classroom presentations.
- (ii) Virtual career tours.
- (iii) Career fairs with organized student interaction with industry representatives.

(iv) Informational classroom-based activities connecting academic content to career contexts within a priority industry sector.

(b) Level 1 activities qualify under Stage I and Stage II of the four-stage framework established in R.S. 17:189.6 ; but, Level I activities do not satisfy the minimum work-based learning requirement for Jump Start credit under Subsection B of this Section.

(3) Level 2: Career exploration activities. Level 2 of the continuum includes structured employer engagement activities that provide students with direct, supervised observation of workplace operations and occupational roles.

(a) Level 2 activities include but are not limited to:

- (i) Job shadowing experiences.
- (ii) Employer site visits organized for career exploration purposes.
- (iii) Structured career mentoring sessions in which a student works individually with an industry professional to explore career options and workplace expectations.

(b) Level 2 activities must not be less than four hours in duration, must include a structured reflection component, and must be documented by the supervising school counselor, career coach, or CTE instructor consistent with Subsection D of this Section.

(4) Level 3: Project-based, school-based enterprises, and cooperative education experiences. Level 3 of the continuum includes structured learning experiences in which students apply pathway-specific technical knowledge and skills in an employer-led context.

(a) Level 3 activities include but are not limited to:

- (i) Project-based learning experiences conducted in partnership with an employer.
- (ii) Supervised cooperative education placements with an employer not in a priority industry sector.

(iii) School-based enterprise programs with documented employer advisory involvement.

(b) Level 3 activities must include a documented employer partnership consistent with Subsection C of this Section and a student performance evaluation by the employer or employer representative, and must be supervised by a qualified CTE instructor or other authorized professional.

(c) Completion of a Level 3 activity must not be fewer than the required hours set by the state Department of Education for the activity.

(d) To the extent permitted under applicable local, state, and federal laws and available funds, students shall be compensated during the duration of their Level 3 activities.

(5) Level 4: Youth apprenticeship and internship programs. Level 4 of the continuum includes extended structured employer-supervised work experiences that provide students with direct on-the-job training based on pathway-specific technical knowledge and skills.

(a) Level 4 activities align to rules and requirements set forth by Louisiana Works for Youth Apprenticeships and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education for Internships.

B. Employer partnership requirements.

(1) Each local education agency operating an authorized Jump Start pathway shall maintain documented employer partnerships sufficient to provide Level 3 or above work-based learning placements for all students enrolled in the pathway at Stage III or Stage IV of the four-stage framework established in R.S. 17:189.6.

(2) A documented employer partnership for purposes of this Section shall consist of a written agreement between the local education agency and the employer that specifies:

(a) The nature of the work-based learning activities to be provided, including the WBL tier level under Subsection A of this Section.

(b) The number of students the employer will accept for WBL placements during the applicable school year.

(c) The employer's responsibilities for student supervision, performance evaluation, and documentation.

(d) The local education agency's responsibilities for student supervision, performance evaluation, and documentation.

(e) The agreed compensation arrangement, if applicable, including compliance with local, state, and federal laws governing student work arrangements.

(f) The process for the local education agency to conduct site visits consistent with Subsection D of this Section.

(3) An employer participating in a WBL partnership under this Section shall designate a qualified workplace supervisor for each student placed with the employer. The workplace supervisor shall be responsible for:

(a) Providing day-to-day supervision and technical guidance to the student.

(b) Completing the student performance evaluation required under Subsection D of this Section.

(c) Communicating with the local education agency regarding student progress and placement conditions.

(4) Regional teams shall facilitate employer partnership development for regional pathways within their workforce development region, consistent with R.S. 17:189.9, and shall maintain a current directory of employers within the region who have executed or expressed interest in executing WBL partnership agreements.

C. Documentation, quality assurance, and site oversight.

(1) Each local education agency shall maintain documentation of all work-based learning activities conducted for purposes of satisfying Jump Start pathway requirements. Such documentation shall be maintained as part of the student's educational record consistent with FERPA, 20 U.S.C. 1232g, and R.S. 44:1 et seq., and shall include:

- (a) The WBL tier level of the activity.
- (b) The employer partner's name and contact information.
- (c) The start and end dates of the WBL activity.
- (d) The total hours completed by the student for the WBL activity.

(e) The employer's written performance evaluation of the student for Level 3 and Level 4 WBL activities.

(f) The supervising CTE instructor's or other authorized professional's assessment of the student's work-based learning engagement and experience.

(2) Each local education agency shall conduct at least one oversight site visit per academic year to each employer partner providing Level 3 and Level 4 WBL placements. The site visit shall be conducted by a qualified CTE instructor or other authorized professional, and shall:

(a) Confirm that the employer is fulfilling the obligations specified in the employer partnership agreement under Subsection B of this Section.

(b) Confirm that student placement conditions comply with applicable state and federal health, safety, and labor laws.

(c) Document any concerns or deficiencies observed and the corrective action taken or planned.

(d) Obtain the employer's completed performance evaluation of each student placed with the employer.

(3) Data reporting obligations for work-based learning activities including student participation and completion rates by WBL tier level; employer partnership counts; and oversight site visit records, shall be governed by R.S. 17:189.18.

§189.12. Credentials; tiered classification system; accountability interation

A. Credential authority and integration.

(1) The review, approval, and tier classification of credentials shall be governed by the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council in coordination with the Board of Regents, and the Louisiana Community and Technical Colleges, agencies representing industry-based credentials, postsecondary credentials, and professional licenses.

(2) The Louisiana Workforce Investment Council shall maintain and publish a current online registry of all credentials designated for use in authorized Jump Start pathways under this Subpart, organized by credential name, issuing body, and tier classification under Subsection B of this Section. The online registry shall be updated within thirty calendar days of any addition, modification, or removal of a credential.

B. Tiered credential classification system.

The system shall classify all approved or designated credentials in tiers reflecting the degree to which the credential is associated with priority occupations under R.S. 17:189.2(17) and occupational outcomes in Louisiana's workforce.

C. Credential review.

(1) The collaborative, or its designee, shall conduct a review of each credential included on the registry maintained under Subsection A of this Section as part of each Biennial Priority Review under R.S. 17:189.4 and at any time the collaborative receives information that a credential may no longer satisfy the classification criteria applicable to its current tier designation or the credential may be misplaced in a tier.

(2) Upon documented analysis, the collaborative may recommend to the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council the reclassification of a credential to a different tier or remove a credential from the registry.

§189.13. Jump Start pathway authorization; review and reauthorization

A. Application process for Jump Start pathway authorization.

(1) A local education agency or regional team seeking to establish an authorized Jump Start pathway shall submit a proposal to the collaborative. Following the proposal review, the collaborative shall submit a written recommendation to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education regarding authorization.

(2) A Jump Start pathway authorization proposal shall include, at minimum, all of the following:

(a) A description of the proposed pathway, including the career cluster, occupational focus, and workforce development region or regions for which authorization is sought.

(b) Documentation of alignment between the proposed pathway and the applicable Statewide Priority Industry List or

Regional Priority Industry List under R.S. 17:189.4, including the data sources on which the alignment determination is based.

(c) A wage analysis documenting the expected wage premium associated with the credential.

(d) The Career Major Program framework required under R.S. 17:189.10, including the nine-credit Jump Start course sequence and academic core credit requirements.

(e) Documentation of the credential or credentials required for pathway completion, including the tier classification of each credential under R.S. 17:189.12, if applicable.

(f) A work-based learning plan describing the employer partnership structure, the required tier level, and documentation and oversight procedures consistent with R.S. 17:189.11.

(g) Evidence of the postsecondary articulation agreement required under R.S. 17:189.15, or a documented timeline for where an agreement has not yet been finalized at the time of proposal submission.

(h) Identification of the pathway tier designation sought under R.S. 17:189.9.

(i) A counseling and career coaching plan describing how the LEA will satisfy the ICAP and advising requirements of R.S. 17:189.7 and R.S. 17:189.8.

(j) For regional pathways, a copy of any partnering agreement under R.S. 17:189.9 and documentation from the regional team supporting the proposal.

(k) Such additional information as the collaborative may require.

(3) The collaborative shall publish and maintain a pathway authorization proposal form updated not less than annually.

B. Jump Start pathway authorization criteria.

(1) The collaborative shall recommend authorization of a proposed Jump Start pathway to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education upon concluding the proposal satisfies all of the following:

(a) The pathway is aligned to an occupation within an industry sector on the applicable Priority Industry List, consistent with the requirements of R.S. 17:189.4.

(b) The pathway includes all required pathway components established in R.S. 17:189.9.

(c) The Career Major Program curriculum meets the standards of R.S. 17:189.10.

(d) The work-based learning component meets the standards of R.S. 17:189.11.

(e) The required credential satisfies the threshold of R.S. 17:189.12.

(f) The postsecondary articulation agreement required by R.S. 17:189.15 has been executed or a documented timeline has been approved.

(g) The proposing local education agency or regional team has demonstrated, through a recently submitted annual counseling activity report under R.S. 17:189.8, that the counseling and career coaching infrastructure is appropriate.

(h) The wage premium analysis submitted under Subsection A of this Section documents a positive expected wage premium associated with the identified pathway credential.

(2) The collaborative shall transmit its written recommendation, including the appropriate tier for a credential and whether Louisiana Works deems the credential to be of high value, to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education not later than sixty calendar days after receipt of a complete pathway authorization proposal.

(3) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall act on the collaborative's written recommendation not later than sixty calendar days after receipt. If the board does not act within sixty calendar days of receipt, the collaborative's recommendation shall be deemed approved.

C. Jump Start pathway authorization conditions.

(1) Each Jump Start pathway authorization issued under this Section shall be subject to the following conditions, which must be satisfied at the time of authorization and maintained throughout the pathway's authorization period:

(a) The pathway remains aligned to an occupation within an industry sector on the applicable Priority Industry List, consistent with R.S. 17:189.4.

(b) The pathway's credential remains approved or designated under R.S. 17:189.12.

(c) The Career Major Program curriculum and nine-credit Jump Start course sequence remain materially consistent with the approved curriculum submitted under R.S. 17:189.10.

(d) The work-based learning component provides Level 3 or Level 4 placements for enrolled students, consistent with R.S. 17:189.11.

(e) The postsecondary articulation agreement under R.S. 17:189.15 remains in effect.

(f) The local education agency maintains the counseling and career coaching standards required by R.S. 17:189.8 for students enrolled in the pathway.

(g) The local education agency annually reports pathway data consistent with the requirements of R.S. 17:189.18.

(2) Any change to an authorized pathway that affects a condition listed in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be reported by the local education agency or regional team in writing to the collaborative within thirty calendar days of the change.

D. Five-year Jump Start pathway authorization cycle.

(1) Each authorized Jump Start pathway shall be subject to a reauthorization review not less frequently than once every five years from the date of initial authorization or most recent reauthorization, as applicable. No pathway shall continue to operate as an authorized Jump Start pathway beyond the five-year authorization period without reauthorization.

(2) The collaborative shall maintain and publish a schedule of upcoming pathway reauthorization reviews, updated not less than annually, identifying each authorized pathway, the date of initial authorization or last reauthorization, and the next scheduled reauthorization date.

(3) If the collaborative's reauthorization review process for a Jump Start pathway is not completed before the expiration of the pathway's five-year authorization period, the pathway's authorization shall be extended on a holdover basis for not more than one academic year while the reauthorization review is completed.

(4) The five-year pathway authorization cycle is distinct from and independent of the biennial priority review under R.S. 17:189.4; neither satisfies nor substitutes for the other.

E. Jump Start pathway mid-cycle review triggers.

(1) An authorized Jump Start pathway shall be subject to a mid-cycle review upon the occurrence of any of the following triggering events:

(a) The Louisiana Jump Start Collaborative removes from the Statewide Priority Industry List or applicable Regional Priority Industry List the industry sector to which the pathway is aligned.

(b) The required credential for the pathway is reclassified or removed in a manner that affects the pathway's tier compliance.

(c) The collaborative identifies that a pathway's credential attainment rate has fallen below fifty percent for two consecutive academic years.

(d) The postsecondary articulation agreement required for the pathway under R.S. 17:189.15 expires or is terminated without replacement.

(e) The collaborative, by a vote of not fewer than two thirds voting members, determines that material changes in regional or statewide labor market conditions warrant an earlier review.

(2) Upon the occurrence of a triggering event under Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, the collaborative shall:

(a) Notify the affected local education agency or regional team of a mid-cycle review.

(b) Complete the mid-cycle review within ninety calendar days of notification.

(c) Transmit a written recommendation to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education regarding continuation, modification, or conclusion of the pathway's authorization.

F. Pathway modification; suspension; sunset provisions.

(1) A local education agency operating an authorized Jump Start pathway may propose a material modification to the pathway by submitting a pathway modification proposal to the collaborative. A modification is material if it affects any of the

authorization conditions established in Subsection C of this Section.

(a) Nonmaterial changes may be implemented by a local education agency or regional team with notification to the collaborative.

(2) The collaborative may recommend suspension of a Jump Start pathway's authorization when the local education agency or regional team has failed to maintain one or more authorization conditions under Subsection C of this Section and has not remediated the deficiency or a mid-cycle review under Subsection E of this Section and identifies conditions that present an immediate risk to enrolled students.

(3) Suspension of a Jump Start pathway's authorization may not take effect until the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has acted on the collaborative's suspension recommendation.

(4) A Jump Start pathway whose authorization has been suspended shall not enroll new students in the pathway during the suspension period. Students already enrolled in a suspended pathway shall be permitted to complete the pathway if the suspension is expected to be resolved before the students' expected graduation date or offered alternative pathway options by the local education agency if the suspension cannot be resolved within a timeframe that allows the student to complete the pathway before graduation.

(5) A Jump Start pathway that has been discontinued, or whose authorization has not been renewed, shall be formally sunset. The local education agency or regional team shall give enrolled students not less than one full academic year's advance notice of a planned sunset and shall identify alternative pathway options for affected students.

§189.14. Rural LEA access; differentiated provisions and thresholds

A. Rural LEA classification.

(1) For purposes of this Subpart, a local education agency shall be classified as a "rural local education agency" upon meeting one or more of the following criteria:

(a) The local education agency is located in a parish where the population density, as determined from the most recently published federal decennial census data, is fewer than one hundred persons per square mile.

(b) The local education agency's total public K-12 student enrollment, as reported in the most recently published annual enrollment data of the state Department of Education, is fewer than four thousand students.

(c) The local education agency's primary service area has been classified as a rural locale under the National Center for Education Statistics, NCES, locale classification framework maintained by the United States Department of Education, specifically as Locale Code 41 Rural Fringe, 42 Rural Distant, or 43 Rural Remote, under the most recently published NCES locale classification data.

(2) In addition to the criteria established in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, the collaborative may, upon written request by a local education agency, certify it as a rural local education agency for purposes of this Section upon finding the local education agency faces structural access barriers established by the collaborative.

(3) The collaborative shall review and reconfirm rural LEA classifications under this Section not less frequently than once every five years, coordinated with the five-year pathway reauthorization cycle under R.S. 17:189.13. A local education agency that no longer meets any criterion in Paragraph (1) of the Subsection or any basis for certification under Paragraph (2) of this Subsection shall be transitioned to standard pathway authorization requirements.

B. Differentiated pathway authorization thresholds for rural LEAs.

(1) Notwithstanding R.S. 17:189.9 and R.S. 17:189.13, a rural local education agency classified under Subsection A of this Section shall be subject to differentiated thresholds established by the collaborative.

(2) A rural local education agency whose Jump Start pathway has been authorized under this Section shall submit to

the collaborative an annual rural pathway progress report not later than December first of each year, covering the immediately preceding academic year and containing:

(a) Current enrollment in the authorized pathway, disaggregated by grade level.

(b) The current status of all employer partnerships, including new employer partnerships established during the reporting year and any employer partnerships discontinued.

(c) The tier level of work-based learning placements provided to enrolled students during the reporting year, and documentation of progress toward the WBL minimum tier level required by R.S. 17:189.11, where a Work-Based Learning Development Plan is in effect.

(d) Any material changes to pathway delivery that may affect compliance with the pathway authorization conditions of R.S. 17:189.13.

(e) Any transportation challenges experienced during the reporting year and steps the local education agency has taken or plans to take to address them, consistent with the transportation access plan required under Subsection D of this Section.

C. Consortium pathway authorization; small districts.

(1) Two or more rural local education agencies classified under Subsection A of this Section may jointly submit a Jump Start pathway authorization proposal as a consortium. A consortium established under this Subsection shall be treated as a single proposing party for purposes of the R.S. 17:189.13 pathway authorization process.

(2) A consortium Jump Start pathway proposal shall include, in addition to all elements required under R.S. 17:189.13, the following:

(a) The identity of each participating rural local education agency and the designation of one participating local education agency as lead, which shall serve as the primary administrative party responsible for all communications with the collaborative, for enrollment coordination across participating local education agencies.

(b) A signed consortium agreement executed by the authorized representative of each participating local education agency, specifying:

(i) The responsibilities of each participating local education agency for curriculum delivery, instructor staffing, work-based learning coordination, credentialing support, and student advising and ICAP services under R.S. 17:189.7 and R.S. 17:189.8.

(ii) The site or sites at which Jump Start pathway instruction will be delivered, and the transportation arrangements each participating local education agency will use to ensure enrolled students have access to each delivery site, consistent with the requirements of Subsection D of this Section.

(iii) A plan for shared allocation of pathway enrollment capacity among participating local education agencies, including enrollment targets and procedures for addressing over- or under-enrollment at any participating local education agency.

(iv) The process for admitting additional rural LEAs to the consortium, consistent with Paragraph (5) of this Subsection.

(v) Dispute resolution procedures for inter-LEA disagreements arising from the consortium's delivery of the authorized pathway.

(c) Documentation of the combined total K-12 student enrollment of all participating local education agencies, which shall constitute the enrollment basis for all collaborative assessments of pathway viability for the consortium.

(d) Where applicable, documentation of any existing partnering arrangements under R.S. 17:189.9 on which the consortium intends to rely for pathway delivery, together with a description of how those arrangements are incorporated into the consortium's delivery model.

(3) For purposes of Jump Start pathway authorization, reauthorization, and all related assessments under R.S. 17:189.13, the combined student enrollment of all participating local education agencies shall be aggregated and treated as a single local education agency enrollment figure. The employer-demand documentation thresholds applicable under Subsection B of this Section shall apply to the consortium as a whole.

(4) The lead LEA is primarily responsible for compliance with R.S. 17:189.13 authorization conditions.

(5) A local education agency that is not classified as a rural local education agency under Subsection A of this Section but operates in a geographic area contiguous to the service area of one or more participating rural local education agencies in a consortium may petition the collaborative for inclusion in the consortium upon demonstrating that the local education agency faces documented access barriers comparable to those qualifying rural local education agencies. The collaborative may approve inclusion upon a written finding that the applying local education agency's participation would strengthen the consortium's ability to deliver a pathway consistent with the standards of this Subpart and that inclusion does not circumvent the rural access purpose of this Section.

D. Transportation support requirements.

(1) A local education agency delivering a Jump Start pathway at a site outside enrolled students' school of attendance, whether independently or through a consortium, shall ensure enrolled students have meaningful access to transportation to and from the instructional site. Transportation provided under this Section shall comply with all applicable Louisiana laws governing the transportation of public school students.

(2) Each rural LEA that delivers, or proposes to deliver, a pathway at a shared or off-campus site shall include in its pathway authorization proposal, under R.S. 17:189.13, a Transportation Access Plan specifying:

(a) Each delivery site at which pathway instruction will be conducted and the estimated distance from the home school of each participating local education agency's students.

(b) The estimated number of students for whom transportation will be necessary.

(c) The mechanism or mechanisms through which the local education agency will provide or facilitate student access to each instruction site, which may include:

(i) Physical arrangements including school bus and third-party shuttle bus.

(ii) Technology-aided or hybrid instruction arrangements, consistent with R.S. 17:189.18, to supplement in-person delivery for pathway components that can be effectively delivered remotely, thereby reducing required student travel.

(d) The estimated annual cost of the transportation access mechanism identified under Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph and the available funding source or sources from which those costs will be funded.

(e) A written assurance that no enrolled student will be denied access to the Jump Start pathway solely because of the student's inability to arrange transportation to the instructional site.

(3) The failure of a rural local education agency to submit and maintain its Transportation Access Plan required under Paragraph (2) of this Subsection, or to implement the plan in a manner that ensures enrolled students are not denied access to the Jump Start pathway, shall constitute a failure to maintain pathway authorization conditions under R.S. 17:189.13.

E. Rural access monitoring.

(1) The collaborative shall monitor and publicly report on rural local education agencies access to authorized Jump Start pathways as provided in this Subsection, in coordination with its annual reporting obligations under R.S. 17:189.3 and the data requirements of R.S. 17:189.18.

(2) Nothing in this Section shall require a rural local education agency to offer any specific Jump Start pathway or limit its authority to determine, consistent with local governance responsibilities and the pathway authorization requirements of this Subpart, which pathways, if any, to propose for authorization.

§189.15. Postsecondary articulation and transfer credit agreements

A. Articulation agreement; condition of Jump Start pathway authorization.

(1) As a condition of Jump Start pathway authorization under R.S. 17:189.13, each local education agency shall maintain at least one postsecondary articulation agreement with at least

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one Louisiana public postsecondary institution, with priority given to community and technical colleges. The agreement shall be submitted as evidence of compliance in the Jump Start pathway authorization proposal under R.S. 17:189.13. If an executed agreement is not in place at the time of proposal submission, the local education agency shall submit a compliance timeline under Subsection D of this Section.

(2) A postsecondary articulation agreement required under this Subsection shall:

(a) Be signed by authorized representatives of all parties.

(b) Specify the Jump Start pathway or pathways to which the agreement applies and the academic year from which the credit transfer terms are effective.

(c) Set forth minimum credit transfer terms for qualifying Jump Start pathway completers accepted at the institution, consistent with Subsection B of this Section.

(d) Specify an effective period of not fewer than five years or the pathway's authorization period under R.S. 17:189.13, whichever is longer, subject to annual review under Subsection F of this Section.

(e) Include a process for resolving disputes between a qualifying student, the local education agency, and the contracting institution regarding a student's eligibility for credit transfer.

(3) A local education agency's failure to maintain an active postsecondary articulation agreement satisfying the requirements of this Section shall constitute a failure to maintain a Jump Start pathway in good standing and shall trigger the mid-cycle review process under R.S. 17:189.13.

B. Minimum agreement terms; credit transfer standards.

(1) A postsecondary articulation agreement required under Subsection A of this Section shall, at a minimum, provide all of the following:

(a) A defined transfer pathway entitling students to postsecondary course credit or equivalency recognition at the contracting postsecondary institution in an aligned subject area.

(b) A minimum transfer value of three postsecondary credit hours, or one postsecondary course equivalent, in the relevant subject area or occupational domain, applied toward the student's program upon enrollment.

(c) The pathway completion requirements for credit transfer eligibility, including completion of the approved nine-credit Jump Start course sequence under R.S. 17:189.10, attainment of the required credential under R.S. 17:189.12, or both; eligibility conditions shall not conflict with R.S. 17:189.5.

(d) The procedure by which an eligible student shall document pathway completion and request credit transfer evaluation by the contracting postsecondary institution.

(e) An annual review process consistent with Subsection F of this Section.

(2) An articulation agreement required under this Section shall not:

(a) Condition credit transfer eligibility solely on a student's enrollment in a specific program of study at the contracting postsecondary institution, except to the extent the transferred credit is applicable only within a defined postsecondary program aligned to the pathway.

(b) Require a student to repeat or retake coursework that is substantially equivalent in content to the Jump Start pathway coursework for which the credit transfer is sought.

(c) Include terms that, in practical effect, render credit transfer inaccessible.

(3) Nothing in this Section prevents a postsecondary articulation agreement from providing credit transfer terms more favorable than the minimums required by Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, including stacked credit applicable to multiple postsecondary programs, advanced-standing placement, or equivalencies exceeding Subparagraph (1)(b) of this Subsection.

C. Board of Regents coordination; common course numbering framework.

(1) The Board of Regents, in coordination with the collaborative, shall develop a common course numbering framework for Jump Start pathway courses that facilitates

consistent transfer credit evaluation by Louisiana public postsecondary institutions. The framework shall:

(a) Assign to each authorized Jump Start pathway, or to defined clusters of pathway course sequences, a standardized course identifier that Louisiana public postsecondary education institutions may use to assess transfer credit eligibility consistent with their institutional articulation policies and with the minimum agreement terms required by Subsection B of this Section.

(b) Be organized by career cluster and industry sector, consistent with the Statewide Priority Industry List established under R.S. 17:189.4, and updated to reflect additions to and removals from the Priority Industry List as part of each Biennial Priority Review under R.S. 17:189.4.

(c) Serve as a shared reference system for all articulation agreements executed under this Section and for the statewide articulation framework developed under Paragraph (2) of this Subsection.

(2) The Board of Regents shall, not later than two years after the effective date of this Subpart and in coordination with the Louisiana Jump Start Collaborative, develop and publish a statewide articulation framework establishing minimum transfer credit terms applicable to all Louisiana public postsecondary education institutions for Jump Start pathway course sequences identified in the common course numbering framework under Paragraph (1) of this Subsection. The statewide articulation framework shall:

(a) Establish minimum credit transfer terms applicable to completers of authorized Jump Start pathways aligned to each industry sector on the Statewide Priority Industry List.

(b) Identify the postsecondary degree programs, technical certificate programs, and workforce certificate programs to which Jump Start pathway course credit may be applied, consistent with the Board of Regents' program approval and articulation authority under R.S. 17:3138 et seq.

(c) Be reviewed and updated by the Board of Regents, in coordination with the collaborative, not less frequently than once every three academic years, to reflect updates to the common course numbering framework and any changes to the Statewide Priority Industry List.

D. Statutory timeline for establishment of articulation agreement.

(1) For Jump Start pathway proposals seeking initial authorization under R.S. 17:189.13, the following requirements govern submission of the articulation agreement:

(a) A proposal that has an executed postsecondary articulation agreement meeting Subsection B of this Section at the time of proposal submission under R.S. 17:189.13 shall submit the agreement with the authorization proposal.

(b) A proposal that does not yet have a fully executed postsecondary articulation agreement at the time of proposal submission shall, in lieu of an executed agreement, submit a documented compliance timeline as part of the proposal specifying:

(i) The name of each Louisiana public postsecondary institution with which the local education agency has been or is actively engaged in negotiations toward execution of an articulation agreement.

(ii) The credit transfer terms tentatively agreed upon or under active discussion, to the extent determinable.

(iii) A date by which a fully executed articulation agreement will be submitted to the Louisiana Jump Start Collaborative, which shall not be later than eighteen months following the date on which the Jump Start pathway is authorized.

(2) An authorized Jump Start pathway operating under an approved compliance timeline under Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall not be subject to R.S. 17:189.13 authorization condition failure solely because no agreement has yet been executed, provided the local education agency is actively pursuing execution of the postsecondary articulation agreement and submits an agreement to the collaborative by the timeline's specified date.

(3) A Jump Start pathway shall not receive reauthorization under R.S. 17:189.13, and shall not be approved or maintained

at Tier 2 or Tier 3 pathway designation under R.S. 17:189.9, unless a fully executed articulation agreement is in place at the time of the pathway's reauthorization review.

E. Compliance mechanism; consequences of noncompliance.

(1) An authorized Jump Start pathway whose articulation agreement expires or is terminated without simultaneous execution of a replacement agreement shall undergo a mid-cycle review by the collaborative, or its designee, under R.S. 17:189.13.

(2) An authorized Jump Start pathway that fails to maintain an active articulation agreement for a continuous period exceeding twenty-four months or without an approved compliance plan shall be subject to pathway suspension under R.S. 17:189.13 until a compliant agreement is executed and submitted to the collaborative.

(3) Nothing in this Section requires deauthorization of a Jump Start pathway solely because a postsecondary institution failed to execute or maintain a required agreement, where the local education agency has documented good-faith efforts with at least two Louisiana public postsecondary institutions and demonstrated that no geographically accessible institution has agreed. In such circumstances, the collaborative may continue the pathway authorization with a written finding of institutional noncooperation, reported to the Board of Regents and legislature under this Section.

F. Annual review and update of articulation agreements.

(1) Each postsecondary articulation agreement required under this Section shall include a provision for annual review by all parties by June first of each year to assess whether the agreement accurately reflects the pathway's current curriculum, credentials, and postsecondary program alignments, and whether modifications are needed to maintain compliance with Subsection B of this Section.

(2) A local education agency operating an authorized pathway shall notify the collaborative within thirty calendar days of any of the following events:

(a) Execution of a new articulation agreement or renewal of an existing agreement covering the authorized pathway.

(b) A material modification to the credit transfer terms of an existing articulation agreement.

(c) Expiration of an articulation agreement without simultaneous execution of a renewal or replacement agreement.

(d) Termination or cancellation of an existing articulation agreement prior to its stated expiration date.

§189.16. Access to Jump Start pathways; partnering authority

A. All public high schools; access obligation.

(1) Each local education agency operating a public high school shall provide each enrolled student access to career and technical education courses, including authorized Jump Start pathways offered pursuant to this Subpart.

(2) Such access obligation includes:

(a) Ensure that at least one authorized Jump Start pathway is available to students enrolled in grades nine through twelve in each public high school operated by the local education agency, except as provided in Subsection C of this Section.

(b) Inform enrolled students and their parents or legal guardians of available Jump Start pathway options during ICAP development, review, and revision as required under R.S. 17:189.7.

(c) Ensure that the full nine-credit Jump Start course sequence required for Career Diploma completion under R.S. 17:189.10 is accessible to students enrolled in an authorized Jump Start pathway, either through direct course delivery by the local education agency or through a partnering agreement established under Subsection B of this Section.

(3) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to require a local education agency to offer a Jump Start pathway in an industry sector not included on the Statewide Priority Industry List or applicable Regional Priority Industry List maintained pursuant to R.S. 17:189.4.

B. Partnering authority; agreements with other schools and institutions.

(1) If a local education agency cannot directly provide career and technical education courses or an authorized Jump Start

pathway, the local education agency may enter into a written partnering agreement with one or more of the following entities to provide such courses or pathway access to its enrolled students:

(a) A separate local education agency in the state.

(b) A Louisiana public community or technical college.

(c) A nonprofit proprietary school approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

(d) A Course Choice provider approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, consistent with R.S. 17:4002.1 et seq.

(2) A partnering agreement entered into under this Subsection shall:

(a) Be in writing and executed by authorized representatives of all parties.

(b) Specify the career and technical education courses or Jump Start pathways to which the agreement applies and the terms under which enrolled students will access the agreed instruction.

(c) Address liability, transportation responsibilities, and any cost-sharing arrangements between the parties.

(d) Be submitted to the collaborative as part of any Jump Start pathway authorization proposal or reauthorization proposal under R.S. 17:189.13.

(3) A partnering agreement under this Subsection may support the delivery of one or more components of an authorized Jump Start pathway, but it shall not substitute for the local education agency's obligation to ensure that enrolled students receive all required academic core courses, individual career planning, and counseling services consistent with R.S. 17:189.8 and R.S. 17:189.10.

(4) When a local education agency enters into an arrangement to share facilities, materials, equipment, or instructors with a Louisiana public community or technical college:

(a) The local education agency shall be responsible for the cost of transporting such students to the partnering institution.

(b) Other expenses and issues, including liability, involved in sharing resources shall be the responsibility of the local education agency.

(5) A regional team formed pursuant to R.S. 17:189.9 shall coordinate Jump Start pathway and course delivery across local education agency boundaries and may establish cross-district enrollment agreements and program-sharing arrangements consistent with R.S. 17:189.9 to support the goals of this Section.

(6) For rural local education agencies classified under R.S. 17:189.14, the partnering authority provided by this Subsection is subject to the provisions of R.S. 17:189.14, including consortium pathway arrangements available to multiple rural local education agencies under R.S. 17:189.14.

C. Mission-based waiver; the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education authority.

(1) If the approved mission or curriculum model of a public high school does not align with providing career and technical education courses or an authorized Jump Start pathway, the governing authority of the school may request a waiver from the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education of the access obligation established in Subsection A of this Section. Nothing in this Section shall be interpreted to supersede R.S. 17:4002.1 et seq.

(2) A waiver request submitted under Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall:

(a) Describe the school's approved mission or curriculum model and the basis on which it does not align with providing career and technical education courses or authorized Jump Start pathways.

(b) Identify any alternative means through which students enrolled at the waiver-requesting school may access career and technical education courses consistent with Subsection A of this Section, including through partnering agreements under Subsection B of this Section.

(3) A waiver granted under this Subsection shall be reviewed by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education not

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less frequently than once every five years to assess whether the mission or curriculum basis for the waiver remains valid. §189.17. Program delivery methods; instructor qualifications and professional development

A. Methods of program development and curriculum design options.

(1) To develop and implement a Career Major Program, a local education agency may use any of the following program development methods:

(a) System-wide development, in which the local education agency develops a uniform career major program across all schools under the agency's jurisdiction.

(b) Consortium development, in which the local education agency collaborates with one or more other local education agencies or a regional team formed pursuant to R.S. 17:189.9 to jointly develop and deliver a Career Major Program.

(2) The following curriculum design options are available for authorized Career Major Programs:

(a) Block scheduling arrangements that allow a student to accumulate Carnegie units in alignment with the nine-credit Jump Start course sequence established in R.S. 17:189.10.

(b) Coordination of available elective credits into a coherent, sequenced Career Major Program aligned with an authorized pathway.

(c) State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education-approved new courses developed to meet the requirements of an authorized Jump Start pathway.

(d) Sharing of facilities, materials, equipment, and instructors with community and technical colleges consistent with R.S. 17:189.17.

(e) Organization and sequencing of new courses in accordance with the appropriate Statewide Priority Industry List or Regional Priority List established under R.S. 17:189.4.

(f) Arrangements for students to complete work-based learning activities consistent with the work-based learning quality standards and tiered requirements established in R.S. 17:189.11.

(3) Each local education agency shall submit proposed Career Major Programs to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education for approval in accordance with R.S. 17:189.10.

B. Career and technical instructor qualifications.

(1) An instructor assigned to teach a career and technical education course within an authorized Jump Start pathway shall meet at least one of the following qualification standards:

(a) Hold a valid teaching certificate issued in accordance with state standards for certification of school personnel, in the applicable career and technical education subject area.

(b) Be in compliance with the reciprocal instructor certification policy established by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education for instructors who reside in other states but are employed by authorized providers and satisfy applicable state certification requirements pursuant to state law.

(2) In addition to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, the state Department of Education, in consultation with the collaborative, shall, in coordination with the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, establish or affirm minimum industry-experience standards for instructors assigned to career and technical education courses in Jump Start pathways aligned to priority occupations under R.S. 17:189.4. Such standards shall:

(a) Require, at a minimum, that instructors assigned to designated Jump Start pathway career and technical education courses hold, or demonstrate the ability to obtain, the industry-based credentials required for student completion of the applicable pathway under R.S. 17:189.12.

(b) Recognize demonstrated industry experience in the relevant career field as a qualification pathway for alternative certification or provisional authorization, consistent with alternative certification procedures established by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

(c) Be established not later than one hundred eighty calendar days following the effective date of this Subpart and updated as necessary to reflect changes in priority occupation requirements and industry-based credential standards.

(4) A local education agency unable to identify a qualified instructor under Paragraph (1) or (2) of this Subsection for a specific career and technical education course within an authorized Jump Start pathway may, upon written acknowledgment from the state Department of Education:

(a) Contract with an approved postsecondary institution, community college, technical college, or other provider authorized under R.S. 17:189.17 to deliver the affected course through a formal instructional partnership agreement.

(b) Deliver the affected course through technology-aided instruction consistent with Subsection D of this Section.

C. Staff development and professional development standards.

(1) Each instructor assigned to teach a career and technical education course within an authorized Jump Start pathway shall receive staff development and in-service training addressing both the technical content of the applicable career field and effective instructional strategies for career and technical education course delivery, aligned with the Career Major Program requirements.

(2) Any instructor assigned to teach a career and technical education course who was not previously certified or trained in the applicable content area shall receive appropriate staff development and in-service training before assuming sole instructional responsibility for the course, or shall be supervised by a qualified instructor until such training is completed.

(3) Local education agencies shall document professional development activities completed by each instructor assigned to a career and technical education course within an authorized pathway and shall make such records available upon request as part of Jump Start pathway oversight under R.S. 17:189.3.

D. Alternative delivery; technology-aided instruction.

(1) An authorized Jump Start pathway course may be delivered through technology-aided instruction, including virtual, online, or blended delivery methods, in any of the following circumstances:

(a) A qualified instructor meeting the standards of Subsection B of this Section is unavailable to provide direct instruction for the course.

(b) The local education agency determines that technology-aided instruction represents the most practicable means of providing pathway access to students in rural or geographically remote locations, consistent with the rural access provisions of R.S. 17:189.14.

(c) Technology-aided instruction supplements and supports classroom instruction, including through digital learning tools, simulations, or virtual work-based learning components endorsed by the applicable regional team and consistent with the work-based learning standards of R.S. 17:189.11.

(2) Technology-aided instruction alone shall not substitute for the work-based learning experiences required under R.S. 17:189.11. For Jump Start pathways delivered primarily or substantially through technology-aided instruction, local education agencies shall maintain active employer partnerships under R.S. 17:189.11 to ensure that students have access to required work-based learning experiences at the minimum tier level required by R.S. 17:189.11.

§189.18. Data collection; reporting; transparency

A. Annual public Jump Start data report; mandate and publication deadline.

(1) The collaborative shall publish annually a comprehensive public report hereby established as the "Jump Start Annual Data Report". The report shall be publicly available not later than March first of each year, covering data from the prior academic year.

(2) The collaborative shall transmit the Jump Start Annual Data Report to each of the following recipients not later than the publication deadline established in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection:

(a) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

(b) The chair of the House Committee on Education and the chair of the Senate Committee on Education of the Louisiana Legislature.

(c) The governor.

(d) Member agencies of the collaborative.

(3) Each Jump Start Annual Data Report shall be published in a format and at a level of detail sufficient to allow members of the public and policymakers to assess the performance, quality, and workforce alignment of Jump Start at the statewide, regional pathway, and local education agency levels.

B. Required data elements.

(1) Each Jump Start Annual Data Report shall include, at a minimum, all of the following data elements and all pathway-level performance metrics reported under this Subsection shall use the standardized metrics established and updated by the collaborative pursuant to R.S. 17:189.3, ensuring consistency between the internal shared performance framework and the public report:

(a) The number of career and technical education concentrators, as defined in R.S. 17:189.2, enrolled in each authorized Jump Start pathway, disaggregated by pathway, industry sector, workforce development region, student subgroup, and grade level.

(b) The number of career and technical education completers, as defined in R.S. 17:189.2, including both those who earned a Career Diploma under R.S. 17:189.5 and those who completed all Jump Start pathway requirements without electing a Career Diploma, disaggregated by pathway, industry sector, workforce development region, student subgroup, and grade level.

(c) Credential attainment rates, including the percentage of career and technical education concentrators and career and technical education completers who earned at least one credential, disaggregated by Jump Start pathway, credential name, credential tier as established under R.S. 17:189.12, student subgroup, and grade level.

(d) Work-based learning participation rates, including the percentage of career and technical education concentrators and career and technical education completers participating in work-based learning activities and the tier of participation consistent with the tiered work-based learning requirements of R.S. 17:189.11 disaggregated by Jump Start pathway, industry sector, workforce development region, student subgroup, and grade level.

(e) Early postsecondary credit participation rates, including dual enrollment participation rates, and articulated credit participation rates, each reported by Jump Start pathway, consistent with the postsecondary articulation framework of R.S. 17:189.15 disaggregated by Jump Start pathway, course, workforce development region, student subgroup, and grade level.

(f) Post-graduation transitions and outcomes measured using enhanced wage record data described under Subsection E of this Section and collected at the intervals specified in Subsection D of this Section:

(i) Postsecondary enrollment rates for Career Diploma graduates within four quarters of graduation, disaggregated by type of postsecondary institution enrolled program and student subgroup.

(ii) Employment rates and median wages for Career Diploma graduates within four quarters of graduation disaggregated by industry sector or occupation and by subgroup.

(iii) Employment rates and median wages for Career Diploma graduates at the second quarter after graduation disaggregated by industry sector or occupation and by subgroup.

(g) A summary of career and technical education instructors, disaggregated by local education agency, pathway, and workforce development region, as required under R.S. 17:189.18.

(2) Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to prevent the collaborative from including additional data elements in the Jump Start Annual Data Report beyond the minimum floor established in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, provided that all additional elements are consistent with the privacy protections established in Subsection G of this Section.

C. Student subgroup disaggregation; statutory obligation.

(1) All data elements reported in the Jump Start Annual Data Report under Subsection B of this Section shall be disaggregated, to the extent data are available and the aggregate

reporting thresholds established in Subsection G of this Section permit, by all of the following student subgroup categories:

(a) Race or ethnicity.

(b) Gender.

(c) Economic disadvantage status.

(d) Rural or urban geographic classification of the student's enrolled school, using the rural local education agency designation criteria established in R.S. 17:189.14.

(e) Disability status, including students with disabilities receiving services under an Individualized Education Program (IEP) pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.

(f) English learner status.

(2) The student disaggregation requirement established in this Subsection is a standalone statutory obligation applicable to the Jump Start Annual Data Report published under Subsection A of this Section. This obligation is independent of, and supplementary to, any disaggregation requirements applicable to the shared performance framework under R.S. 17:189.3.

D. Cross-agency data sharing agreement

(1) As put forth in R.S. 17:189.3, agency members of the Louisiana Jump Start collaborative shall enter into a written, formal Memorandum of Understanding that includes cross-agency data sharing for the purpose of shared performance framework and the transmission of the Jump Start Annual Data Report.

(2) Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to require the sharing of individually identifiable student data with the public. All data made publicly available in the Jump Start Annual Data Report shall be subject to the aggregate reporting thresholds and privacy protections established in Subsection G of this Section.

E. Privacy protections; aggregate reporting requirements.

(1) All data published in the Jump Start Annual Data Report shall be presented in aggregate form only. No individually identifiable student data shall be disclosed in any public report published under this Section.

(2) For purposes of disaggregation required by Subsection C of this Section and any other disaggregated data element included in the Jump Start Annual Data Report, the collaborative shall apply aggregate reporting thresholds to prevent the identification of individual students from publicly reported data.

(3) The data privacy protections established in this Subsection shall be consistent with and no less protective than the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. 1232g (FERPA), and any applicable Louisiana statutes governing the privacy of student records.

(4) Enhanced wage record data shall be subject to the confidentiality protections applicable to Louisiana Works wage records under Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and shall not be used for any purpose other than the production of the aggregate outcome data required by this Section.

§189.19. Applicability

The requirements of this Subpart shall not apply to any of the following:

(1) Any student who, as of the effective date of this Subpart, is enrolled in a Career Major Program under the provisions of R.S. 17:183.1 through R.S. 17:183.5 as they existed prior to enactment of this Act shall be entitled to complete that program and earn a Career Diploma under the requirements applicable at the time of the student's initial enrollment in the career major program.

(2) Each Jump Start pathway, Career Major Program, or credential-bearing program that was authorized by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education under R.S. 17:183.1 through R.S. 17:183.5 as of the effective date of this Subpart shall continue in effect for a transitional period of not less than eighteen months following the effective date of this Subpart.

(3) An Individual Graduation Plan established for a student under R.S. 17:2925 prior to the effective date of this Subpart shall remain in effect and shall be honored for purposes of that student's graduation requirements, subject to the student's rights

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under Paragraph (1) of this Subsection. Nothing in this Subpart shall require a student to revise a prior Individual Graduation Plan solely as a result of the enactment of this Act.

(4) No credential earned by a student under the provisions of R.S. 17:183.1 through R.S. 17:183.5 prior to the effective date of this Subpart shall be invalidated, reclassified downward, or reduced in value for purposes of that student's diploma requirements solely by reason of the enactment of this Act or the credential tier framework established in R.S. 17:189.12.
§189.20. Severability clause

If any provision or item of this Act, or the application thereof, is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of the Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision, item, or application and to this end the provisions of this Act are hereby declared severable.

Section 2. R.S. 17:183.1 through 183.5 are hereby repealed.

Section 3. The provisions of this Act shall be implemented in Phases as outlined: Phase I: Shall be known as the "Foundation Phase" which shall take effect not later than ninety calendar days following the effective date of this Act; and under this Phase the Louisiana Workforce Investment Council within Louisiana Works shall establish the administrative and staff support infrastructure required to support the collaborative operations. Phase II: Shall be known as the "Initial Operational Readiness Phase" which shall take effect not later than one hundred eighty calendar days following the effective date of this Act; and under this Phase the Louisiana Jump Start collaborative shall hold its organizational meeting and adopt operating procedures; the collaborative shall establish the initial Statewide Priority Industry List; the agency members of the collaborative shall execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU); and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and the state Department of Education shall publish the initial approved career coaching vendor list. Phase III: Shall be known as the "Pathway Authorization Cycle Phase" which shall take effect not later than one year following the effective date of this Act; and under this phase the collaborative shall begin accepting pathway authorization proposals and each local education agency shall initiate the ICAP process for incoming seventh grade students beginning with the first academic year commencing after the effective date of this Act. Phase IV: Shall be known as the "Full Program Architecture Implementation Phase" which shall take effect not later than two years following the effective date of this Act; under this Phase the Board of Regents shall, in coordination with the collaborative, develop and publish the statewide articulation framework establishing minimum transfer credit terms; the collaborative shall complete the initial tier designation review for all Jump Start pathways authorized under the new framework; and regional teams shall submit updated Regional Priority Industry Lists following the collaborative's completion of the first Biennial Priority Review. Phase V: Shall be known as the "Steady-State Operation Phase" which shall take effect by the beginning of the fourth academic year following the effective date of this Act; under this Phase all authorized Jump Start pathways shall have been reviewed by the collaborative and shall have received a tier designation; the first cohort of students with ICAPs shall be completing their high school careers under the four-stage framework; and the annual Jump Start Data Report shall have been published for the third consecutive year.

On motion of Senator Edmonds, the committee substitute bill was adopted and becomes Senate Bill No. 524 by Senator Reese, substitute for Senate Bill No. 520 by Senator Reese.

SENATE BILL NO. 524 — (Substitute of Senate Bill No. 520 by Senator Reese)

BY SENATOR REESE

AN ACT

To enact Subpart A-4 of Part III of Chapter 1 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 17:189.1 through 189.20, and to repeal R.S. 17:183.1 through 183.5, relative to high school career option; to provide for a high-quality K-12 career and technical education pathway system; to provide for definitions; to provide for governance and authority of a membership collaborative; to provide for a statewide priority list identifying the industry sectors in the state; to provide for a four-stage developmental framework for

K-12 career and technical education; to provide for each student to have an individual career and academic plan beginning in the seventh grade; to provide for career counseling and career coaching standards; to provide for a career major program in each authorized K-12 Jump Start pathway that constitutes the core academic and technical coursework sequence through which a student pursues a Career Diploma and the nine-credit Jump Start career and technical education course sequence; to provide for work-based learning quality continuum; to provide access to rural education agencies; 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 Bills and Joint Resolutions
on Second Reading
Reported by Committees**

HOUSE BILL NO. 90—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS JOHNSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2740.70.6(B), (D)(1)(introductory paragraph), (c), and (d) and (2), and (I) and to enact R.S. 33:2740.70.6(D)(1)(f) and (g) and (J), relative to the Ferriday Downtown Entertainment District; to provide relative to the boundaries of the district; to provide relative to the governing board of the district; to provide relative to the membership of the board; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the Concordia Parish Sheriff's Department with respect to the district; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 127—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9097.38(B) and (F)(4), relative to East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to the Victoria Farms Crime Prevention and Improvement District; to provide relative to the boundaries of the district; to provide relative to the parcel fee imposed within the district ; to provide relative to the authority of the district to change the amount of the fee; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 138—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9097.29(E)(3), (F)(introductory paragraph), (1), and (3), (G), and (H) and to enact R.S. 33:9097.29(I) and (J), relative to East Baton Rouge Parish; to provide relative to the Parkwood Terrace Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Improvement District; to provide relative to the members of the governing board of the district; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the district; to provide relative to the parcel fee imposed within the district; to establish a maximum fee; to provide relative to the increase of the fee; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 150—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE
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.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 201—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:273.5, relative to high school diplomas; to create a State Seal of Fine Arts; to provide for academic eligibility criteria; to provide for requirements of the state superintendent of education, participating school governing authorities, and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 268—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARVER, BAMBURG, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIAQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BRAUD, BRYANT, COX, DEWITT, EGAN, FREEMAN, GLORIOSO, TRAVIS JOHNSON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, NEWELL, SAWYER, THOMPSON, AND WYBLE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:183.2(A), 2925(B)(1), and 3005(C)(8) and to enact R.S. 17:2926(A)(5) and 3996(B)(24), (30), (44), and (51), relative to public school students; to provide relative to career-related activities for certain students; to provide relative to Individualized Graduation Plans; to require Louisiana Works to provide information about workforce priorities annually to public school governing authorities; to provide for alignment of student activities with these priorities; to provide for the advisement policy developed by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; to provide relative to elementary school counselors; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

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

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.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 285—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BACALA, BROUSSARD, CARLSON, CARPENTER, CARVER, EDMONSTON, FREIBERG, TERRY LANDRY, MARTINEZ, AND TAYLOR

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:81(B), relative to the use of school buildings; to provide relative to the powers of local public school boards; to authorize a school board to engage in a cooperative endeavor with a credit union or bank to operate a branch at a high school; to provide for the integration of the operation of the branch into a required financial literacy course; and to provide for related matters.

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

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.

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. 354—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VENTRELLA
AN ACT

To redesignate the bridge located on Louisiana Highway 64 over the Amite River at the boundary of East Baton Rouge Parish and Livingston Parish as the "Caleb Easterling 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. 355—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE AND SENATOR MIZELL
AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 10 in Washington Parish as the "Veterans Park 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. 360—

BY REPRESENTATIVES EGAN AND GLORIOSO
AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 41 in Pearl River, Louisiana, as the "Sgt. Michael J. Guillory 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. 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.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 445—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FREIBERG, BERAULT, CARPENTER, EGAN, FREEMAN, ILLG, LAFLEUR, LYONS, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, AND ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:4071(A), (B)(introductory paragraph), (E), (F), (H)(1), (2), (5), (6), (7), and (10), and (J) and 4072, to enact R.S. 36:309(E)(3), and to repeal R.S. 17:4071(B)(11), (15), (23), and (24) and R.S. 36:651(K)(6), relative to the Louisiana Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Advisory Council; to transfer the council from the Department of Education to Louisiana Works; to provide for the powers,

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duties, and functions of the council; to provide for the membership of the council; to authorize the council to meet via electronic means; to provide relative to the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Education Fund; to provide for the powers, duties, and authority of the commissioner of higher education, the Board of Regents, and Louisiana Works relative to the council; 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 Engrossed House Bill No. 445 by Representative Freiberg

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 9, after "education" delete "the"

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 506—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHASSION AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:463.73(A) and (G) and to enact R.S. 47:463.243, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to establish blackout license plates; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; to establish the "Acadiana High School", the "Lafayette High School", the "Carenro High School", the "Northside High School", the "Southside High School", the "David Thibodaux STEM Magnet Academy", the "Ovey Comeaux High School", the "Early College Academy", and the "Edward J. Sam Accelerated School of Lafayette" license 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. 606—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:210(3), (4), and (5), 210.3, 210.4(2), and 210.6(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 32:210(introductory paragraph) and 210.1(C), relative to personal delivery devices; to provide for definitions; to provide for responsibilities and rights of a personal delivery device; to provide for operation in pedestrian and nonpedestrian areas; to remove the requirement for the display of lights at night; to remove provision for crossing certain roadways; to provide for regulation by local governments; 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. 606 by Representative Bourriaque

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 8, after "governments;" and before "and" insert "to provide for an effective date;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 19, insert the following:

"Section 2. 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 in 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 Connick, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 649—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:2943, relative to dual enrollment; to provide for the responsibilities of the Board of Regents, public postsecondary education institutions, and public postsecondary education management boards; to require a uniform, statewide application process for all high school students; 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 Engrossed House Bill No. 649 by Representative Brass

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following:

"(4) Each public postsecondary management board, in consultation with the Board of Regents, shall adopt a standard uniform dual enrollment tuition rate for academic and all dual enrollment coursework."

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 665—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:322.3 and to repeal R.S. 56:322.3, relative to hoop nets and seines; to prohibit the use of hoop nets and seines in North Pass and Manchac Pass; 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 Engrossed House Bill No. 665 by Representative Mack

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "enact R.S. 56:322.3" and before the comma "," delete "and to repeal R.S. 56:322.3"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 3, change "prohibit" to "restrict"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 7 through 13 and insert:

"§322.3. Hoop nets and seines; restrictions in North Pass and Manchac Pass

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, dumping or releasing of dead fish from hoop nets or seines is prohibited in North Pass and Pass Manchac from Interstate 55 to Lake Pontchartrain.

B. Tending of hoop nets and seines is restricted to the period of time from thirty minutes before sunrise to thirty minutes after sunset.

C. Violation of any provision of this Section constitutes a class 2-A violation."

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 681—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9091.1(F)(1)(b) relative to Orleans Parish; to provide relative to the Lakeview Crime Prevention District; to provide relative to the parcel fee imposed within the district; to provide for the maximum fee amount; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 721—
BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:499.4, relative to commercial shrimping; to create an exception to the prohibition on night shrimping in inside waters of the state; to allow commercial shrimping in certain inside waters beginning at 5:30 a.m.; 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. 746—
BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:387(A), relative to statewide uniform permits for oversized vehicles; to remove the requirement that a vehicle obtain a special permit from an agency or department or political subdivision other than the Department of Transportation and Development; to provide for a one year moratorium on the issuance of any local permits for oversized vehicles; to provide exceptions; 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 Reengrossed House Bill No. 746 by Representative Owen

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, after line 20 insert the following:
" * * *"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 2, delete lines 6 through 9 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 2, at the beginning of line 10, change "Section 4." to "Section 3."

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 757—
BY REPRESENTATIVE COX
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:320(J), relative to methods of taking freshwater or saltwater fish; to prohibit the taking of menhaden; to provide for strict liability; to provide for penalties; to provide for a definition; 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. 781—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:508(A)(2) and to enact R.S. 47:508.1, relative to fleet vehicle registration and license plates; to provide for the establishment of a fleet vehicle program administered by the Department of Public Safety, office of motor vehicles; to provide for leasing and rental company authorization to participate as registered fleet owners; to provide for registration cycles, proration, and biennial options; to provide for fleet license plate inventory controls; to provide for records; electronic data exchange, and audits; to provide for fees and taxes; to provide for rule promulgation; 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. 835—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHAMERHORN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:302.9(H) through (J) and to enact R.S. 56:302.9(K), relative to charter guide wildlife management area access permits; to create an annual charter guide wildlife management area access permit; to establish a fee for the permit; to provide for the privileges conveyed by the permit; to provide for 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. 844—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:59(A)(5) and to enact R.S. 32:59(A)(6), relative to the use of the wireless telecommunications devices while operating a motor vehicle; to provide for definitions; to establish the boundary and when a school zone is in effect; 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. 857—
BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:4749.2(B)(introductory paragraph) and (1) and (D)(introductory paragraph), relative to imported seafood; to require labeling of commingled seafood; to provide penalties for commingled seafood labeled as domestic; 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. 872—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:8(160) and 325.5(D), relative to commercial menhaden reduction fishery vessels; to require vessels to use automatic identification systems; to provide definitions; to direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to organize and renumber certain definitions; 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 Engrossed House Bill No. 872 by Representative Zeringue

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AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, delete lines 1 through 3 and insert:

"D.(1) All vessels engaged in commercial menhaden reduction fishing shall have installed and utilize an automatic identification system (AIS). This requirement shall apply to a carrier vessel or steamer, commonly called a mother ship, and to any purse boat actively engaged in fishing.

(2) No vessel that is required to utilize an AIS under this Paragraph shall engage in fishing without a functioning AIS for more than two consecutive business days. For a group of vessels cooperating on a set as defined in R.S. 56:325.5, the AIS of at least two vessels shall be functioning at all times while actively engaged in fishing."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 7, insert:

"Section 3. This Act shall become effective on April 19, 2027."

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 886—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:325.5(D), relative to commercial menhaden harvest data reporting; to provide an exception to confidentiality for reports received by a legislative committee; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 889—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:449(C), relative to tagging of oysters; to establish a tag for bulk harvesting for alternative oyster cultivation; 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. 892—

BY REPRESENTATIVES HILFERTY, BAYHAM, BILLINGS, CARVER, COX, DOMANGUE, FREIBERG, DANA HENRY, KNOX, LYONS, MARCELLE, MURRAY, AND SAWYER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2740.70.11, relative to the parishes of Jefferson and Orleans; to create the West End Economic Development District within the parishes; to provide relative to the boundaries, purpose, governance, and powers and duties of the district; to provide for district funding; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 972—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOUDREAUX, ADAMS, BAYHAM, BEAULIEU, BERAULT, BOYER, CARVER, CHASSION, DEVILLIER, FISHER, HORTON, JACKSON, KNOX, JACOB LANDRY, MARTINEZ, SPELL, TAYLOR, AND WYBLE

AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 93 in Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, as the "Desert Shield-Desert Storm Veterans 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. 982—

BY REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON

AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 133 North in the Village of Oak Ridge, as the "Erle McKoin 'Niney' Barham Memorial Highway"; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 133 South in the Village of Oak Ridge, as the "Joseph Sidney Carter Memorial Highway"; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 134 West in the Village of Oak Ridge, as the "Abner Wimberly Memorial Highway"; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 134 East in the Village of Oak Ridge, as the "James Wallace McLendon 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. 987—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:1492 and R.S. 36:358(E)(2) and (G), relative to the Louisiana State University Energy Institute; to provide for the unification of energy-related programs by moving the Louisiana Geological Survey under the Louisiana State University Energy Institute; to provide for the responsibilities of the Louisiana Geological Survey; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1037—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:502(A) and (B), 503, 505(A) and (B), 506(A) through (C), 508(A) through (C) and (F), 508.2(A) through (C), (E), and (F), and 508.6(C) and (D) and to enact R.S. 36:505.1, relative to operational reforms within the Department of Transportation and Development; to provide for the creation of the position of chief operating officer within the department; to provide for the duties of the chief operating officer; to provide for the duties of the deputy secretary within the office of transformation; to extend the deadline for the department to implement certain changes and reforms; to extend the deadline for the department to remitting payment to vendors and contractors; 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. 1068—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLO

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.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1072—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIQUE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 48:196(C) and R.S. 49:220.51(D) and 220.52(C)(2) and (4) and to enact R.S. 49:220.51(E) and 220.54, relative to the office of Louisiana Highway Construction; to

expand the powers, duties, and responsibilities in the office of Louisiana Highway Construction; to provide for the authority of the office of Louisiana Highway Construction to use certain appropriated monies; to authorize the executive director to waive certain bidding requirements during emergencies; 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. 1078—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FREIBERG, CARLSON, CARPENTER,
EDMONSTON, ST. BLANC, AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3351.17(A) and (B), relative to tuition and fees at public postsecondary education institutions; to authorize public postsecondary education management boards to impose tuition and attendance fees for certain distance education courses; to authorize proportional amounts for certain academic periods; and to provide for related matters.

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1085— (Substitute for House Bill No. 838 by Representative Bagley)

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2054(B)(8) and R.S. 32:357, 1301, 1302, 1304, 1306(C), to enact R.S. 32:1304.1, and to repeal R.S. 32:707.5(D)(3) and 1303, relative to vehicle inspection sticker requirements; to repeal the inspection sticker requirement for assembled vehicles; to provide for periodic inspection of commercial and student transportation vehicles and associated fees; to provide for inspections required by federal law; to provide for windshield requirements; to provide for the promulgation of standards for the regulation of emission control devices; to provide for the approval of out of state inspections under certain circumstances; to provide for the Louisiana Vehicle Identification Program; to provide relative to the operation of official inspection stations; to restrict the issuance of citations for failure to produce a certificate of inspection for a specified period; to provide for effectiveness; to provide for severability; 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. 1085 by Representative Bagley

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 9, line 8, change "vehicle's registration information" to "vehicle identification number"

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1132—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:350.21(A)(1), relative to the funding of laboratory schools; to provide for the funding of a school operated by any institution under the supervision and management of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System through the minimum foundation program; to provide for the allocation of funds to the board for the operation of the school; to provide relative to applicability; and to provide for related matters.

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

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.

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 Reengrossed House Bill No. 1137 by Representative Crews

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 13, after "person" delete the remainder of the line and insert: "employed by the state, any branch of state government, any state board, commission, or other agency, or any local subdivision of the state for the"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete line 14

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, between lines 17 and 18, insert:

"(2) "Employer" means the state, any branch of state government, any state board, commission, or other agency, or any local subdivision of the state."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 18, change "(2)" to "(3)"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 1, change "(3)" to "(4)"

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

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.

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. 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.

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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. 1232— (Substitute for House Bill No. 647 by Representative Bourriaque)

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIAQUE AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:3471(6) and (7), 3472(Section heading), (A), and (D), 3473, 3475(A), 3477(Section heading), (A), and (D), and 3478 and to repeal R.S. 34:3474, relative to waterways; to provide for the Waterway Assistance Program and Fund; to provide for timelines for submitting applications for funding of any waterway projects by a governmental entity; to provide for an annual basis for application submissions; to provide for definitions; 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. 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.

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

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions Returned from the House of Representatives with Amendments

SENATE BILL NO. 68— BY SENATOR MORRIS

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article V, Section 5(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to jurisdiction of the Louisiana Supreme Court; to provide for disciplinary proceedings over attorneys from other jurisdictions concerning legal services in the state and over related unethical practices; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

The bill was read by title. Returned from the House of Representatives with amendments:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 68 by Senator Morris

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the end of line 16, delete "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 1, after the comma ", " and before "is" delete "or"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, delete lines 12 through 15 in their entirety and insert the following: "Do you support an amendment granting the Louisiana Supreme Court the authority to discipline out-of-state attorneys in certain circumstances? (Amends Article V, Section 5(B))"

Senator Morris moved to concur in the amendments proposed by the House.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Abraham Allain Bass Cathey Edmonds Fesi Foil Hodges Kleinpeter Lambert McMath Miguez Miller Mizell Morris Myers Pressly Reese Seabaugh Stine Talbot Wheat Womack Total - 24

NAYS

Barrow Barthelemy Boudreaux Carter Duplessis Harris Jackson-Andrews Jenkins Luneau Price Total - 10

ABSENT

Cloud Connick Hensgens Owen Selders Total - 5

The Chair declared the Senate rejected the amendments proposed by the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 76— BY SENATOR MILLER

AN ACT

To enact Civil Code Art. 138, relative to the modification of child custody; to provide with respect to the evidentiary burdens required to modify child custody; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Returned from the House of Representatives with amendments:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 76 by Senator Miller

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 10, change "award" to "judgment"

Senator Miller moved to concur in the amendments proposed by the House.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Abraham Allain Barrow Barthelemy Bass Boudreaux Carter Cathey Duplessis Edmonds Fesi Foil Harris Hodges Jackson-Andrews Jenkins Kleinpeter Lambert Luneau McMath Miguez Miller Mizell Morris Myers Pressly Price Reese Seabaugh Stine Talbot Wheat Total - 33

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Cloud	Hensgens	Selders
Connick	Owen	Womack
Total - 6		

The Chair declared the Senate concurred in the amendments proposed by the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 149— BY SENATOR FOIL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:1365(7) and (10), relative to the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds; to provide for bid requirements; to provide relative to maturity dates; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Returned from the House of Representatives with amendments:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 149 by Senator Foil

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 11, after "transfer of" and before "originated" delete "federal funds" and insert "funds through the Federal Reserve Bank wire service"

Senator Foil moved to reject the amendments proposed by the House.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Foil	Mizell
Abraham	Harris	Morris
Allain	Hodges	Myers
Barthelemy	Jackson-Andrews	Pressly
Bass	Jenkins	Price
Boudreaux	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Carter	Lambert	Stine
Cathy	Luneau	Talbot
Duplessis	McMath	Wheat
Edmonds	Miguez	
Fesi	Miller	
Total - 31		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Barrow	Hensgens	Selders
Cloud	Owen	Womack
Connick	Reese	
Total - 8		

The Chair declared the Senate rejected the amendments proposed by the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 191— BY SENATOR MILLER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:2201(B), 2207(A) and (E), and 2266.1(A)(1) and to repeal R.S. 47:2207 as amended and reenacted by Section 2 of Act No. 411 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, relative to the assessment, payment, and allocation of ad valorem taxes; to

provide for ordinances related to the sale or donation of adjudicated property and the adjudication period thereof; to provide for the act of sale or donation of adjudicated property; to provide for the procedure to recognize amounts due under a tax lien certificate; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Returned from the House of Representatives with amendments:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 191 by Senator Miller

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" and before "2207(A)" delete "R.S. 47:2201(B)," and insert "R.S. 47:2153(C)(1)(a), 2201(B),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, after "taxes;" and before "to provide" insert "to provide for advertisements for tax lien auctions;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 11, after "Section 1." and before "2207(A)" delete "R.S. 47:2201(B)," and insert "R.S. 47:2153(C)(1)(a), 2201(B),"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:
"\$2153. Notice of delinquency; tax lien holder; tax lien auction
* * *

C.(1)(a) At the expiration of twenty days' notice, counting from the day when the last of the written notices are sent, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the tax collector shall proceed to publish a notice of the delinquency and to advertise for auction the consolidated delinquent tax list under one form **two times within thirty days** in the official journal of the political subdivision. The publication and advertisement shall be sufficient if it is in the following form:

"DELINQUENT TAX AND STATUTORY IMPOSITION LIST vs. Delinquent Tax Debtors _____

(insert appropriate taxing bodies)

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the constitution and the laws of the state of Louisiana, I will sell by public auction, at _____, beginning at _____ o'clock a.m. on _____, the _____ day of _____, _____, and continuing on each succeeding legal day, until the auction is completed, the tax lien. I will issue in favor of the winning bidder and record in the mortgage records a tax lien certificate to all immovable property on which taxes are now due to _____, to enforce collection of taxes (insert affected taxing bodies) assessed in the year _____, together with interest thereon from January 1, _____, at a rate not to exceed one percent (1%) per month on a noncompounding basis until paid and all costs. The names of the delinquent tax debtors, the amount of statutory impositions due, including any due for prior years, and the immovable property assessed to each for which a tax lien certificate will be issued are as follows: (Insert names of delinquent tax debtors in alphabetical order, the amount of statutory impositions due, including any due for prior years on each specific piece of property, and the description of each specific piece of immovable property for which a tax lien certificate will be issued.)

At the auction, I will sell the tax lien to the winning bidder. The sale will be for cash or other payment method acceptable to the tax collector, in legal tender money of the United States.

At any time prior to the institution of an action to enforce the tax lien, the tax lien may be extinguished by paying the price paid at auction together with interest at the rate established at the tax lien auction which shall not exceed one percent (1%) per month on a noncompounding basis computed on the amount paid at auction by the tax lien certificate purchaser until terminated, a penalty at the rate of five percent (5%), and costs reimbursable pursuant to R.S. 47:2156. The termination payment shall also include the amount of

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any subsequent parish and municipal statutory impositions paid by the tax lien certificate holder, together with the applicable five percent (5%) penalty and any applicable interest computed on the statutory impositions at a rate of one percent (1%) per month on a noncompounding basis."

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Glorioso to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 191 by Senator Miller

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following: "Section 4. The provisions of R.S. 47:2153 as amended by Section 1 of this Act shall apply to tax lien auctions occurring on or after January 1, 2027."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, at the beginning of line 15, before "This" delete "Section 4." and insert "Section 5."

Senator Miller moved to concur in the amendments proposed by the House.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns of names: Mr. President, Abraham, Allain, Barrow, Barthelemy, Bass, Boudreaux, Carter, Cathey, Duplessis, Edmonds, Fesi, Foil, Harris, Hodges, Jenkins, Kleinpeter, Lambert, Luneau, McMath, Miguez, Miller, Mizell, Myers, Pressly, Price, Seabaugh, Stine, Talbot, Wheat.

Total - 30

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns of names: Cloud, Connick, Hensgens, Jackson-Andrews, Morris, Owen, Reese, Selders, Womack.

Total - 9

The Chair declared the Senate concurred in the amendments proposed by the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 196— BY SENATOR FOIL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:337.51(A)(1), the introductory paragraph of (2), and (3), and the introductory paragraph of (B)(1), 337.53(C), 1565(A) and (B), and 1625(A) and (B), relative to the notice of assessment and disallowance of a refund claim; to provide the time period for appealing a notice of assessment for local sales and use taxes; to provide the time period for appealing a notice of assessment when the tax is in jeopardy for local sales and use taxes; to provide for the time period for appealing a notice of assessment issued by the Department of Revenue; to provide for the time period to appeal the disallowance of a refund claim by the Department of Revenue; to provide relative to authorized changes of address by the Department of Revenue; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Returned from the House of Representatives with amendments:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 196 by Senator Foil

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "337.53(C)," and before "1565(A)" insert "the introductory paragraph of 1516.1(B) and 1516.1(B)(3),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the end of line 8, insert "for the time period for assessment of a collection fee by the Department of Revenue; to provide"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 14, after "337.53(C)," and before "1565(A)" insert "the introductory paragraph of 1516.1(B) and 1516.1(B)(3),"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, between lines 27 and 28, insert the following: "§1516.1. In-state debt collection

B. Once an obligation has become collectible by distraint and sale, as provided in this Chapter, the secretary shall send a notice to the taxpayer at the address given in the last report filed by said the taxpayer, or to any address obtainable from any private entity which will provide such address free of charge or from any federal, state, or local government entity, including but not limited to the United States Postal Service or from United States Postal Service certified software informing him of the following:

(3) That if the debt is not paid within sixty ninety days of the date of the notice, a collection fee not to exceed twenty-five percent of the total liability will be charged to the account.

HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Bacala to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 196 by Senator Foil

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 5, line 3, after "claiming" and before "refund" delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, line 5, after "filing" and before "claim" delete "such" and insert "of the"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, line 7, after "mailing by" and before "mail" delete "registered" and insert "certified"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 5, line 8, after "which" and before "appeal" delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 5, at the end of line 11, delete "or" and at the beginning of line 12 delete "registered"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 5, line 14, after "certified" and before "mailing" delete "or registered"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 5, line 16, after "respect to" and before "claim" delete "such" and insert "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 5, at the beginning of line 17, after "by" and before "mail" delete "registered" and insert "certified"

Senator Foil moved to concur in the amendments proposed by the House.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table listing names of members who voted 'YEAS' including Mr. President, Abraham, Allain, Barrow, Barthelemy, Bass, Boudreaux, Carter, Cathey, Duplessis, Edmonds, Fesi, Foil, Harris, Hodges, Jenkins, Kleinpeter, Lambert, Luneau, McMath, Miguez, Miller, Mizell, Morris, Myers, Pressly, Price, Seabaugh, Stine, Talbot, and Wheat.

Total - 31

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table listing names of members who were 'ABSENT' including Cloud, Connick, Hensgens, Jackson-Andrews, Owen, Reese, Selders, and Womack.

Total - 8

The Chair declared the Senate concurred in the amendments proposed by the House.

SENATE BILL NO. 318— BY SENATOR REESE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1517(B)(1) and the introductory paragraph of (2), to enact R.S. 47:1517.3, and to repeal R.S. 47:1517(B)(3) and (4) and (C), and 1517.1(B)(4), relative to the tax exemption budget; to provide for the publication of the tax exemption budget; to provide for the contents of the tax exemption budget; to provide relative to the categorization of tax exemptions; to repeal assessment requirements; to repeal certain reporting requirements on tax incentives; to provide for the creation and requirements of the business tax benefit report; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Returned from the House of Representatives with amendments:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Ways and Means to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 318 by Senator Reese

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 3 in its entirety and insert the following: "R.S. 47:1517(G) and 1517.3, and to repeal R.S. 47:1517(B)(3) and (4) and (C) and 1517.1(B)(4),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the end of line 5, insert "require parish collectors to report certain information; to"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 12, after "reenacted and" and before "hereby" delete "R.S. 47:1517.3 is" and insert "R.S. 47:1517(G) and 1517.3 are"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the beginning of line 16, delete "department's" and insert "Department of Revenue's"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

"G.(1) The single sales and use tax collector for each parish shall prepare and submit a tax exemption budget for all exclusions, exemptions, deductions, credits, rebates, and preferential tax treatments applicable to the local sales and use taxes it administers in accordance with requirements in Paragraph (B)(1) of this Section. The tax exemption budget required by this Subsection shall be prepared annually and submitted to the governor and the legislature no later than March first of each year, in the same manner and form as required for the tax exemption budget prepared by the Department of Revenue pursuant to this Section.

(2)(a) Each collector shall submit the information required by this Subsection to the Louisiana Uniform Local Sales Tax Board, which shall compile, review, and transmit the information to the governor and the legislature.

(b) The Louisiana Uniform Local Sales Tax Board may adopt rules and establish procedures necessary to implement the provisions of this Subsection, including standardized reporting formats and deadlines for submission by local collectors.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, at the end of line 17, after "identifies" and before the colon ":" insert "all of the following"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, line 28, after "and (C)" and before "and 1517.1(B)(4)" delete the comma ","

Senator Reese moved to concur in the amendments proposed by the House.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table listing names of members who voted 'YEAS' including Mr. President, Abraham, Allain, Barrow, Barthelemy, Bass, Boudreaux, Carter, Cathey, Duplessis, Edmonds, Fesi, Foil, Harris, Hodges, Jackson-Andrews, Jenkins, Kleinpeter, Lambert, Luneau, McMath, Miguez, Miller, Mizell, Morris, Myers, Pressly, Price, Reese, Seabaugh, Stine, Talbot, Wheat, and Womack.

Total - 34

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table listing names of members who were 'ABSENT' including Cloud, Connick, Hensgens, Owen, Selders.

Total - 5

The Chair declared the Senate concurred in the amendments proposed by the House.

Rules Suspended

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

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Rules Suspended

Senator Price asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to recall House Bill No. 1017 from the Committee on Retirement and discharge said committee.

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.

On motion of Senator Price, House Bill No. 1017 was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary A.

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:

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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 Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 90— BY SENATOR PRESSLY

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Mr. Gerald "Jerry" Badgley for his extraordinary contributions to the Shreveport community and to offer congratulations and best wishes upon the occasion of his retirement after more than twenty years of dedicated service as principal of C.E. Byrd High School in Shreveport, Louisiana.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 91— BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate Progressive Baptist Church of Lafayette, Louisiana, upon the celebration of its one hundredth anniversary and to recognize the church's century of faith, service, and spiritual leadership in the community.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 98— BY SENATOR HENSGENS

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Tuesday, April 21, 2026, as Louisiana Renewable Energy Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 99— BY SENATOR FOIL

A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 29, 2026, as Gulf States Renewable Energy Industries Association Day at the Louisiana State Capitol.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 100— BY SENATOR ALLAIN

A RESOLUTION

To recognize May 2026, as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 101— BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

A RESOLUTION

To commend the Honorable Judge Alvin Batiste Jr. on the occasion of his retirement from the Eighteenth Judicial District Court and to recognize his distinguished service to the state of Louisiana.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 102— BY SENATOR BASS

A RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, May 5, 2026, as Literacy Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to recognize The Center for Literacy & Learning for its leadership in advancing literacy statewide.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 103— BY SENATOR FOIL

A RESOLUTION

To designate Monday, May 4, 2026, as Disability Awareness Day at the Louisiana State Capitol and to recognize the contributions, rights, and dignity of individuals with disabilities.

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 30, 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. 34—

BY SENATORS CATHEY, BARROW, EDMONDS, HENRY, JACKSON-ANDREWS, KLEINPETER, LAMBERT, MCMATH, MIGUEZ, MILLER, MIZELL, MORRIS, MYERS, OWEN, PRESSLY, WHEAT AND WOMACK A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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

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.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 39—

BY SENATORS WOMACK, CLOUD, LUNEAU, MORRIS, REESE AND SEABAUGH AND REPRESENTATIVES BUTLER, CARRIER, DESHOTEL, DEWITT, FIRMENT, MIKE JOHNSON, TRAVIS JOHNSON, LARVADAIN, MCFARLAND, OWEN, RISER AND SCHAMERHORN A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and honor Dr. Paul Dean Coreil on the occasion of his retirement as Chancellor of Louisiana State University of Alexandria and to recognize his many accomplishments in higher education, public service, youth development, and the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service.

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 30, 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 Bill has been properly enrolled:

SENATE BILL NO. 256—
BY SENATOR MORRIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:761(C), 1211, 1211.1, 1212(A), (B)(1) through (5), 1212.1, 1213.1, 1213.2, 1216, 1222, 1338, 1371.2, 1373(A)(1), 1373.1, the introductory paragraph of 1381, 1381(21), 1381.3, 1381.5(A) and (B)(2)(e), 1381.7(A), 2515, and 5971, R.S. 15:85.1(A)(2)(d) and R.S. 18:2(3), 444(E), 602(C)(1) and (E)(2)(c), 1300.7(B), 1354(A)(1), 1511.2(E), and 1511.3(A)(1) and to repeal R.S. 13:1031, 1033, 1371, 1371.1, and 1378, relative to the clerk of court in Orleans Parish; to provide for one clerk of the civil district court and the criminal district court; to provide for payments from the Clerk of Court Expense Fund; to provide for the administration of the court by the clerk of court in Orleans Parish; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Respectfully submitted,
CALEB SETH KLEINPETER
Chairman

The foregoing Senate Concurrent Resolution was signed by the President of the Senate.

Message to the Governor

SIGNED SENATE BILLS

April 30, 2026

To the Honorable Governor of the State of Louisiana:

The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives have signed the following Senate Bills:

SENATE BILL NO. 256—
BY SENATOR MORRIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:761(C), 1211, 1211.1, 1212(A), (B)(1) through (5), 1212.1, 1213.1, 1213.2, 1216, 1222, 1338, 1371.2, 1373(A)(1), 1373.1, the introductory paragraph of 1381, 1381(21), 1381.3, 1381.5(A) and (B)(2)(e), 1381.7(A), 2515, and 5971, R.S. 15:85.1(A)(2)(d) and R.S. 18:2(3), 444(E), 602(C)(1) and (E)(2)(c), 1300.7(B), 1354(A)(1), 1511.2(E), and 1511.3(A)(1) and to repeal R.S. 13:1031, 1033, 1371, 1371.1, and 1378, relative to the clerk of court in Orleans Parish; to provide for one clerk of the civil district court and the criminal district court; to provide for payments from the Clerk of Court Expense Fund; to provide for the administration of the court by the clerk of court in Orleans Parish; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

SENATE BILL NO. 350—
BY SENATOR CATHEY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:3552(A), relative to the Louisiana Soybean and Grain Research and Promotion Board; to change a reference to the Louisiana Soybean Association; and to provide for related matters.

and they are hereby presented for executive approval.

Respectfully submitted,
YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the House

**SIGNED HOUSE BILLS AND
JOINT RESOLUTIONS**

May 4, 2026

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 232—
BY REPRESENTATIVES CARLSON, AMEDEE, BAYHAM, BILLINGS,
BOYER, CHASSION, CREWS, EGAN, GREEN, HEBERT, HORTON,
KNOX, 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.

May 4, 2026

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.

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.

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.

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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 346—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHAMERHORN, ADAMS, BACALA, BAGLEY, BAMBURG, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOUDREAU, BOURRIAQUE, 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, CHANCE 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.

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.

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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 697—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMAN
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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 806—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR AND SENATORS BARROW, FOIL, HODGES, MIZELL, AND MORRIS
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.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1088—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BACALA, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, DEWITT, ECHOLS, EGAN, FISHER, JACKSON, MOORE, OWEN, SAWYER, TAYLOR, VENTRELLA, WYBLE, AND YOUNG
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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

and asked that the President of the Senate affix his signature to the same.

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

The House Bills and Joint Resolutions contained herein were signed by the President of the Senate.

Message from the House

SIGNED HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

May 4, 2026

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Justice to compile and publish an annual report regarding anonymized outcomes for juveniles who are subject to electronic monitoring conditions in Louisiana.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHASSION
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to study filiation proceedings and the presumption of paternity and to report its findings to the Legislature of Louisiana no later than February 1, 2027.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study and recommend legislation to expedite the sale of tax-delinquent property that has been adjudicated for extended periods of time to parties that will rehabilitate the property and report its findings and recommendations to the legislature no later than January 1, 2027.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 83—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FIRMENT AND RISER AND SENATOR WOMACK
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend J. Reed Walters on the occasion of his retirement as district attorney of the Twenty-Eighth Judicial District.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 84—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WILEY, BACALA, BRASS, AND EDMONSTON AND SENATORS LAMBERT AND PRICE
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Barney Arceneaux on the occasion of his retirement.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 88—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize April 28, 2026, as Nurses Day and May 6 through May 12, 2026, as National Nurses Week in Louisiana.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 90—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SPELL AND SENATOR MCMATH
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate May 2026 as Mental Health Awareness Month in Louisiana.

and asked that the President of the Senate affix his signature to the same.

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

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

May 4, 2026

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

Cloud	Hensgens	Selders
Connick	Owen	
Total - 5		

Leaves of Absence

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Cloud	1 Day	Cloud	1 Day
Hensgens	1 Day	Owen	1 Day
Selders	1 Day		

Announcements

The following committee meetings for May 5, 2026, were announced:

Finance	10:30 A.M.	Room A
Judiciary A	1:00 P.M.	Hainkel Room
Judiciary B	12:30 P.M.	Room E
Judiciary C	12:30 P.M.	Room F
Retirement	10:00 A.M.	Room E

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Talbot, at 5:01 o'clock P.M. the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, May 5, 2026, at 3:30 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

FRANCINE K. OGNIBENE
Journal Clerk