

AGENDA

**House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs**

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

Committee Room 3

9:00 a.m.

Chairman: John M. Stefanski  
Vice Chairman: Rodney Lyons

Staff: Patricia Lowrey-Dufour, legislative analyst  
Annie Smith, attorney  
Rosalie Ammersbach, committee administrative assistant

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

_____	<b>HB 165</b>	<b>LANDRY</b>	<b>ELECTIONS/INITIATIVE-REF</b> (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for an initiative and referendum process
_____	<b>HB 192</b>	<b>JEFFERSON</b>	<b>ETHICS/NEPOTISM</b> Provides an exception to allow an immediate family member of a village governing authority member to be appointed or employed by the village under certain circumstances
_____	<b>HB 221</b>	<b>WRIGHT</b>	<b>ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE</b> Provides relative to rulemaking and oversight pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act
_____	<b>HB 236</b>	<b>CREWS</b>	<b>STATE EMPLOYEES</b> Provides relative to the frequency of disbursement of salary to state employees and officials
_____	<b>HB 300</b>	<b>MUSCARELLO</b>	<b>JUDGES</b> Expands the role and responsibilities of the Judicial Council (OR +\$212,116 GF EX See Note)
_____	<b>HB 504</b>	<b>SEABAUGH</b>	<b>CIVIL SERVICE/UNCLASSIFD</b> Removes certain employment eligibility requirements for certain unclassified state employees relative to the registration of motor vehicles
_____	<b>HB 519</b>	<b>CARPENTER</b>	<b>VOTERS/VOTING</b> Provides relative to absentee voting by qualified incarcerated voters
_____	<b>HB 538</b>	<b>JENKINS</b>	<b>VOTERS/VOTING</b> Provides relative to early voting locations

_____	<b>HB 553</b>	<b>GLOVER</b>	<b>ELECTIONS</b> Provides for appointment of a voter with disabilities to the State Board of Election Supervisors
_____	<b>HB 653</b>	<b>DESHOTEL</b>	<b>UTILITIES</b> Provides relative to Granting Unserved Municipalities Broadband Opportunities
_____	<b>HCR 21</b>	<b>LANDRY</b>	<b>LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES</b> Requests the governmental affairs committees of the House of Representatives and Senate to meet and function as a joint committee to make recommendations regarding the establishment of procedures for an initiative process in Louisiana
_____	<b>HCR 45</b>	<b>DEVILLIER</b>	<b>AGRICULTURE</b> Creates the Louisiana Solar Siting Task Force to study the impact of, and alternatives to, locating solar energy developments on farmland
_____	<b>HR 104</b>	<b>JENKINS</b>	<b>STATE EMPLOYEE/LEAVE</b> Requests the implementation of paid parental leave for all state employees

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Any person who does not feel comfortable giving testimony in person may submit a prepared statement in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee:

A. Any interested person or any committee member may file with the committee a prepared statement concerning a specific instrument or matter under consideration by the committee or concerning any matter within the committee's scope of authority, and the committee records shall reflect receipt of such statement and the date and time thereof.

B. Any person who files a prepared statement which contains data or statistical information shall include in such prepared statement sufficient information to identify the source of the data or statistical information. For the purposes of this Paragraph, the term "source" shall mean a publication, website, person, or other source from which the data or statistical information contained in the prepared statement was obtained by the person or persons who prepared the statement.

**NOTE: Statements emailed to [h&ga@legis.la.gov](mailto:h&ga@legis.la.gov) and received prior to noon on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, will be distributed to the committee members prior to the meeting.**

PLEASE SUBMIT A WITNESS CARD TO THE COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT BEFORE THE MEETING BEGINS IF YOU WANT TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.