

### **Session Wrap**

# 2024 1<sup>st</sup> Extraordinary Session

### Louisiana Legislature



House Legislative Services Louisiana House of Representatives

June 18, 2024

All included legislation completed the legislative process.

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### 2024 First Extraordinary Session

- Convened January 15 Adjourned January 19
- "Called" by Governor's Proclamation No. 1 JML 2024.
  - Legislators limited to filing and debating bills that fall within the 14 items included in the Governor's "call."
- Instruments Filed
  - 29 bills (19 House/10 Senate)
  - 4 resolutions



## Party Primary Elections

HB 17 creates a party primary election system for certain offices starting in 2026.

"Party primary offices" include representatives and senators in the United States Congress, the Louisiana Supreme Court justices, members of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE), and members of the Public Service Commission (PSC).

#### **Party Primaries**

- Party primary elections will be held for recognized political parties which have had an affiliated candidate receive at least 5% of the votes cast statewide.
- The candidate who receives the majority of votes in a party primary election qualifies as the party nominee for the general election.
- If no candidate receive a majority of votes in the first party primary election, a second party primary election will be held.

#### Candidate Qualifying

- All candidates qualify for a party primary office at the same time.
- Candidates who are affiliated with the recognized political parties qualify for the party primary election by nominating petition or by paying the qualifying fee.
- Candidates who are not affiliated with recognized political parties qualify for the general election by nominating petition.

#### Voters

- Affiliated voters may only vote in the party primary election that matches their party affiliation.
- Voters not affiliated with any political party have the option to participate in one of the party primary elections.
- All voters are eligible to vote in the general election.

### Elections

