

## House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice

Minutes of Meeting  
2016 Regular Session  
May 24, 2016

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Sherman Q. Mack, chairman of the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice, called the meeting to order at 9:29 a.m. in Room 6, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The secretary called the roll.

### II. ROLL CALL

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Sherman Q. Mack, chairman  
Representative Tony Bacala  
Representative Barbara W. Carpenter  
Representative Stephen C. Dwight  
Representative Lowell C. "Chris" Hazel  
Representative Frank A. Howard  
Representative Edward C. "Ted" James II  
Representative Terry C. Landry, Sr.  
Representative Joseph P. Lopinto III  
Representative Barbara M. Norton

#### MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Bryan Adams  
Representative John H. Bagneris  
Representative Randal L. Gaines  
Representative Valarie Hodges  
Representative C. Denise Marcelle  
Representative Steve E. Pylant, vice chairman

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lori Hutson, secretary  
A. Gregory Riley, attorney  
Kelly C. Fogleman, attorney

**ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:**

Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms  
Janet Anthony, sergeant at arms  
Victoria Langston, clerk  
J'nai Bayone, clerk

**III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION****House Concurrent Resolution No. 135 by Representative Mack**

Representative Mack presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 135, which creates the Louisiana Probation and Parole Officer Compensation Study Commission.

Representative Mack offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 135 favorably. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 135 was reported favorably by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Carpenter, Dwight, Howard, James, Terry Landry, and Norton voted yea.

**Senate Bill No. 141 by Senator Claitor**

Senator Claitor presented Senate Bill No. 141, which provides relative to crimes involving the use of unmanned aircraft systems.

On behalf of the author, Representative Mack offered an amendment to create an exception to the crime of unlawful use of an unmanned aircraft system for "agricultural commercial operations" as defined in present law. Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Carpenter, Dwight, Howard, James, Terry Landry, and Norton voted yea.

On behalf of the author, Representative Mack offered amendments to delete the proposed exemption from liability for damages to an unmanned aircraft system (UAS) by the owner of the immovable property or any person lawfully on the property and to delete proposed law provisions allowing certain persons to retain possession of the UAS. Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Carpenter, Dwight, Howard, James, Terry Landry, and Norton voted yea.

Johnny Koch, DJI Technologies, 8440 Jefferson Hwy., Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (225)929-7033, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 141.

Cary Koch, DJI Technologies, 8440 Jefferson Hwy., Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (225)929-7033, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 141.

Representative Mack offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 141 with amendments, to which Representative Norton objected. The secretary called the roll, and Senate Bill No. 141 was reported with amendments by a vote of 6 yeas and 3 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Hazel, Howard, James, and Terry Landry voted yea. Representatives Carpenter, Lopinto, and Norton voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 2 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

### **House Bill No. 67 by Representative Bacala**

*This is a continuation of the discussion on House Bill No. 67 from a meeting held on May 10, 2016. Please check for the prior action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 67.*

Representative Bacala presented House Bill No. 67, which provides relative to the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons under the age of 18.

Representative Bacala offered an amendment to provide a fine of up to \$25 for a first offense, and a fine of up to \$100 for any subsequent offense. Representative Bacala offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Carpenter, Hazel, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Lopinto, and Norton voted yea.

Representative Terry Landry offered an amendment to remove the term of imprisonment. Representative Terry Landry offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Carpenter, Hazel, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Lopinto, and Norton voted yea.

Representative Bacala offered a motion to report House Bill No. 67 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 67 was reported with amendments by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Bacala, Carpenter, Hazel, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Lopinto, and Norton voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in support and 2 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

**Senate Bill No. 435 by Senator Morrell**

On behalf of Senator Morrell presented Senate Bill No. 435, which provides relative to the theft of animals.

On behalf of the author, Representative Mack offered an amendment to add an exception to proposed law for the killing of a dog harassing, wounding, or killing livestock. Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Carpenter, Hazel, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Lopinto, and Norton voted yea.

Representative Mack offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 435 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 435 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Carpenter, Hazel, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Lopinto, and Norton voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 1 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

**Senate Bill No. 323 by Senator Morrell**

On behalf of Senator Morrell, Alton Ashy, Louisiana Video Gaming Association, 218 Laurel St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225)936-1700 presented Senate Bill No. 323, which provides with respect to fuel sales at qualified truck stop facilities.

Representative Mack offered an amendment to allow proposed law fuel sale provisions to apply to video draw poker truck stops located outside of a 12-mile radius of the land-based casino in Orleans Parish. Representative Mack offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Carpenter, Hazel, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Lopinto, and Norton voted yea.

Representative Norton offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 323 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 323 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Carpenter, Hazel, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Lopinto, and Norton voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 2 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

**House Resolution No. 150 by Representative Hunter**

On behalf of the author, Representative Mack offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Resolution No. 150, which creates a task force to review provisions of law regarding work release programs and funding received from such programs. Without objection, action on House Resolution No. 150 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Mack, Carpenter, Hazel, Howard, James, Terry Landry, Lopinto, and Norton voted yea.

**IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Sherman Q. Mack  
House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice