

House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs

Minutes of Meeting
2016 Regular Session
May 5, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative John A. Berthelot, chairman of the House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in Room 6, in the State Capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The secretary called the roll.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative John A. Berthelot, chairman
Representative Robert E. Billiot
Representative Paula P. Davis
Representative Stephen C. Dwight
Representative Rick Edmonds
Representative Cedric B. Glover
Representative Stephanie Hilferty
Representative Sam L. Jenkins Jr.
Representative Rodney Lyons
Representative Stephen E. Pugh
Representative Jerome Richard
Representative Malinda B. White

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Joseph Bouie Jr.
Representative Mike Huval, vice chairman
Representative C. Denise Marcelle
Representative Barbara M. Norton
Representative Patricia Haynes Smith
Representative Thomas P. Willmott

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tina Righteous, attorney
Katie LeLeux, attorney
Valarie Banks, secretary

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Janet Anthony, sergeant at arms

Faye Talbot, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

House Bill No. 1066 by Representative Magee

Representative Magee presented House Bill No. 1066, which authorizes political subdivisions, governmental entities, or state agencies to purchase items through an existing public contract of another political subdivision.

The meeting was recessed at 9:04 a.m. due to lack of a quorum.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:05 a.m.

Representative Richard offered a motion to report House Bill No. 1066 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 1066 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Berthelot, Billiot, Dwight, Edmonds, Hilferty, Jenkins, Lyons, Pugh, Richard, and White voted yea.

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

The meeting was recessed at 9:06 a.m. due to absence of bill author.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:09 a.m.

Senate Bill No. 84 by Senator Gatti

Senator Gatti presented Senate Bill No. 84, which provides relative to the sanctions for engaging in political activities for civil service employees.

Chad Major, representing Professional Fire Fighters of Louisiana, 1525 Pollard Parkway, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, (225) 572-8483, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 84.

Robert Lawrence, representing office of state examiner, 8550 United Plaza Boulevard, Suite 901, Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (225) 925-4400, spoke to provide information only on Senate Bill No. 84.

John Gallagher, representing Louisiana Municipal Association, 700 North 10th Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225) 344-5001, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 84.

Representative Pugh offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 84 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 84 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Berthelot, Billiot, Davis, Dwight, Edmonds, Glover, Hilferty, Jenkins, Lyons, Pugh, Richard, and White voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in opposition; however, the opponents removed their opposition to the bill as amended in the Senate. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Pugh offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion to adjourn passed by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Berthelot, Billiot, Davis, Dwight, Edmonds, Glover, Hilferty, Jenkins, Lyons, Pugh, Richard, and White voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman John A. Berthelot
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Date adopted: May 24, 2017