

House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs

Minutes of Meeting
2016 Regular Session
May 12, 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 9:20 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 Mike Huval, vice chairman
Representative Sam L. Jenkins Jr.
Representative Rodney Lyons
Representative Stephen E. Pugh
Representative Malinda B. White

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Joseph Bouie Jr.
Representative Stephanie Hilferty
Representative C. Denise Marcelle
Representative Barbara M. Norton
Representative Jerome Richard
Representative Patricia Haynes Smith
Representative Thomas P. Willmott

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

William Belleu, clerk
Vivian Hurst, sergeant at arms
Faye Talbot, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**Senate Bill No. 277 by Senator Bishop**

At the request of Senator Bishop, Robert Barham, representing the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, presented Senate Bill No. 277, which requires POST certification of the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism security officers and provides for a Poverty Point State Historic Site Archaeologist.

Representative Huval offered amendments to remove proposed law requirement that the secretary of the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism ensure that an archaeologist be employed in a full-time capacity at the Poverty Point State Historic Site. Representative Huval offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Berthelot, Billiot, Davis, Dwight, Edmonds, Glover, Huval, Jenkins, Lyons, Pugh, and White voted yea.

Robert Barham, representing the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, Capitol Annex Room 313, Baton Rouge, LA, (225) 342-8186, spoke to provide information only.

Representative Pugh offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 277 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 277 was reported with amendments by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Berthelot, Billiot, Davis, Dwight, Edmonds, Glover, Huval, Jenkins, Lyons, Pugh, and White voted yea.

Senate Bill No. 464 by Senator Mills

At the request of Senator Mills, Representative Huval presented Senate Bill No. 464, which authorizes the governing authority of certain municipalities to use proceeds of an additional sales tax as needed.

Representative Huval offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 464 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 464 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Berthelot, Billiot, Davis, Dwight, Edmonds, Glover, Huval, Jenkins, Lyons, Pugh, and White voted yea.

House Bill No. 1073 by Representative Robert Johnson

House Bill No. 1073 authorizes Avoyelles Parish to appoint game and fish commissions.

Representative Pugh offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 1073. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 1073 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Berthelot, Billiot, Davis, Dwight, Edmonds, Glover, Huval, Jenkins, Lyons, Pugh, and White voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 4 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Pugh offered a motion to receive a presentation from the Louisiana Workforce Commission at the May 19, 2016, meeting of the House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs. Without objection, the motion to receive the presentation passed by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Berthelot, Billiot, Davis, Dwight, Edmonds, Glover, Huval, Jenkins, Lyons, Pugh, and White voted yea.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Glover offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion to adjourn passed by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Berthelot, Billiot, Davis, Dwight, Edmonds, Glover, Huval, Jenkins, Lyons, Pugh, and White voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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