

House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Minutes of Meeting
2016 Regular Session
May 23, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Kenneth E. Havard, chairman of the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, called the meeting to order at 10:37 a.m. in Room 3, in the State Capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The secretary called the roll.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Kenneth E. Havard, chairman
Representative Bryan Adams
Representative Terry R. Brown
Representative Barbara W. Carpenter
Representative Stephen F. Carter
Representative A B Franklin
Representative Jerry Gisclair
Representative John E. Guinn
Representative Jeffrey "Jeff" Hall
Representative Dorothy Sue Hill
Representative Frank A. Howard
Representative Terry C. Landry, Sr., vice chairman
Representative C. Denise Marcelle
Representative Vincent J. Pierre
Representative Malinda B. White

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative H. Bernard LeBas
Representative Jack Montoucet
Representative Barbara M. Norton
Representative J. Rogers Pope

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kimberly Callaway, attorney
Ashleigh Clare-Kearney, attorney

Angelique R. Mozee, secretary

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Beverly Hurst, sergeant at arms

Peter Chol, clerk

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

House Concurrent Resolution No. 129 by Representative Zeringue

Representative Zeringue presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 129, which urges and requests the Louisiana State Law Institute to study the issue of preferences for Louisiana contractors for public works contracts.

Representative Howard offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 129 favorably. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 129 was reported favorably by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Havard, Adams, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Franklin, Gisclair, Guinn, Hall, Hill, Howard, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Pierre, and White voted yea.

Senate Bill No. 379 by Senator Martiny

Senator Martiny presented Senate Bill No. 379, which requires oncoming traffic on a two lane road with a continuous left turn lane to stop for school buses.

Representative Terry Landry offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 379 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 379 was reported favorably by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Havard, Adams, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Gisclair, Guinn, Hall, Hill, Howard, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Pierre, and White voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 1 in support, 1 in opposition, and 2 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Senate Bill No. 62 by Senator Martiny

Representative Havard announced that action on Senate Bill No. 62, which provides for parking in residential areas, is being voluntarily deferred.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 128 by Representative Steve Carter

Representative Havard announced that action on House Concurrent Resolution No. 128, which directs the Department of Transportation and Development to repurpose certain congressional

earmarked funds for the planning, design, and construction of the widening and improvement of certain portions of Louisiana Highway 30 is being voluntarily deferred.

The committee recessed at 10:43 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

Senate Bill No. 288 by Senator Appel

Senator Appel presented Senate Bill No. 288, which prohibits a political subdivision from adopting more restrictive requirements and provides for state preemption.

Derrell Cohoon, Associated General Contractors, 714 North 5th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802, (225) 336-4657, spoke in support of House Bill No. 288.

Ken Naquin, Louisiana Associated General Contractors, 666 North Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802, (225) 939-1627, spoke in support of House Bill No. 288.

John Walters, Associated Builders and Contractors, 19251 Highland Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809, spoke in support of House Bill No. 288.

Ashleigh Gardena, City of New Orleans, 1300 Perdido Street, Suite 2E04, New Orleans, Louisiana 70113, (504) 658-4904, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 288.

Rodney Braxton, City of New Orleans, 543 Spanish Town Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808, (225) 381-0166, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 288.

Ashley Becnel, City of New Orleans, 1300 Perdido Street, Suite 5E03, New Orleans, Louisiana 70112, (504) 658-9855, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 288.

Representative Terry Landry offered a motion to call the question on Senate Bill No. 288, to which Representative White objected. The secretary called the roll, and the question was called by a vote of 12 yeas and 3 nays. Representatives Havard, Adams, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Franklin, Hall, Hill, Howard, Terry Landry, Marcelle, and Pierre voted yea. Representatives Gisclair, Guinn, and White voted nay.

Representative Steve Carter offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 288 favorably, to which Representative Terry Landry objected. The secretary called the roll, and the motion failed by a vote of 6 yeas, 8 nays, and 1 abstention. Representatives Adams, Terry Brown, Steve Carter, Gisclair, Guinn, and Howard voted yea. Representatives Carpenter, Franklin, Hall, Hill, Terry Landry, Marcelle, Pierre, and White voted nay. Representative Havard abstained.

Ben Hecht, Living Cities, no contact information provided, provided a handout, Exhibit A, which is included in the committee records.

Angela Glover Blackwell, PolicyLink, no contact information provided, provided a handout, Exhibit B, which is included in the committee records.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 8 in support, 33 in opposition, and 3 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Kenneth E. Havard
House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Date adopted: