

House Committee on Health and Welfare

Minutes of Meeting
2017 Regular Session
May 31, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Bob Hensgens, vice chairman of the House Committee on Health and Welfare, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. in Room 5, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Lawrence A. "Larry" Bagley
Representative Charles R. Chaney
Representative Kenny R. Cox
Representative Dodie Horton
Representative Marcus L. Hunter
Representative Katrina R. Jackson
Representative H. Bernard LeBas
Representative Dustin Miller
Representative Helena N. Moreno
Representative J. Rogers Pope
Representative Jerome Richard
Representative Joseph A. Stagni
Representative Bob Hensgens, vice chairman
Representative Frank A. Hoffmann, chairman

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Robert A. Johnson
Representative Julie Stokes

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Felicie Jackson, secretary
Brandi Cannon, attorney
Drew Murray, legislative analyst

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Summer Rogers, page
Carter Broussard, page
Vivian Hurst, sergeant at arms
Faye Talbot, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**House Resolution No. 155 by Representative Hoffmann**

On behalf of Representative Hoffmann, Representative Hensgens presented House Resolution No. 155, which requests a study and report on tax-related and health-related issues associated with vapor products and electronic cigarettes.

Representative Cox offered a motion to report House Resolution No. 155 favorably. Without objection, House Resolution No. 155 was reported favorably by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Horton, LeBas, Pope, Richard, Stagni, and Hensgens voted yea.

There were no witness cards submitted in support, opposition, nor for information.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 61 by Representative Norton

Representative Norton presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 61, which creates the Louisiana Bullying Awareness and Treatment Task Force.

Representative Jackson offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 61 favorably. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 61 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Horton, Hunter, Jackson, Moreno, Pope, Richard, Stagni, and Hensgens voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 2 in support, 0 in opposition, and 0 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

House Resolution No. 156 by Representative Hunter

Representative Hunter presented House Resolution No. 156, which requests state-level collaboration to evaluate the issues and conditions of drinking water treatment and distribution in communities throughout Louisiana.

Mr. Jimmy Guidry, Louisiana Department of Health, 628 N 4th St, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-9500, spoke to provide information only on House Resolution No. 156.

Ms. Amanda Laughlin, Louisiana Department of Health, 628 N 4th St, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-9500, spoke to provide information only on House Resolution No. 156. Ms. Laughlin provided a handout, Exhibit A, which is included in the committee records.

Representative Jackson offered amendments, which:

1. Change the requirement to evaluate the conditions of each water utility system to a requirement to evaluate the sanitary survey results for each system.
2. Change the reporting deadline to 2020.
3. Require interim progress reports.

Representative Jackson offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Horton, Hunter, Jackson, LeBas, Moreno, Pope, Richard, Stagni, and Hensgens voted yea.

Representative Hunter offered a motion to report House Resolution No. 156 with amendments. Without objection, House Resolution No. 156 was reported with amendments by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Horton, Hunter, Jackson, LeBas, Moreno, Pope, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

There were no other witness cards submitted in support, opposition, nor for information.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Approval of committee minutes: meeting dates of April 6th and 7th, 13th, 20th, and 27th, May 3rd and 4th of the 2016 Regular Session; April 19th and 26th of the 2017 Regular Session.

Representative Stagni offered a motion to adopt the committee minutes. Without objection, the committee minutes were adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Horton, Hunter, Jackson, LeBas, Moreno, Pope, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Frank A. Hoffmann
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Date adopted: