

## **House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs**

Minutes of Meeting  
2018 Regular Session  
May 2, 2018

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Representative Michael E. Danahay, chairman of the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. in Room 2, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Representative Gary M. Carter, Jr.  
Representative Lance Harris  
Representative Barry Ivey  
Representative Sam L. Jenkins, Jr.  
Representative Gregory A. Miller  
Representative John C. "Jay" Morris, III  
Representative Stephen E. Pugh, vice chairman  
Representative Michael E. Danahay, chairman

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Representative Jimmy Harris  
Representative Dorothy Sue Hill  
Representative Robert E. Shadoin

#### **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Patricia Lowrey-Dufour, legislative analyst  
Mark Mahaffey, attorney  
Shawn O'Brien, secretary

#### **ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:**

Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms  
Michaela Wells, sergeant at arms  
Adele Borne, clerk

### III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

#### **House Concurrent Resolution No. 51 by Representative Brass**

Representative Brass presented House Concurrent Resolution No. 51, which creates the Slavery Ancestral Burial Grounds Preservation Commission.

Representative Pugh offered a motion to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 51 favorably. Without objection, House Concurrent Resolution No. 51 was reported favorably by a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Ivey, Jenkins, Gregory Miller, Jay Morris, Pugh, and Danahay voted yea.

#### **Senate Bill No. 341 by Senator Donahue**

Senator Donahue presented Senate Bill No. 341, which provides for performance audits for statutory dedications that include a fee for service.

Representative Danahay offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 341 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 341 was reported favorably by a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Ivey, Jenkins, Gregory Miller, Jay Morris, Pugh, and Danahay 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.

#### **Senate Bill No. 360 by Senator Donahue**

Senator Donahue presented Senate Bill No. 360, which reduces the frequency of enhanced audits required of certain local auditees with at least three consecutive years of enhanced audits with no findings.

Representative Jay Morris offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 360 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 360 was reported favorably by a vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Lance Harris, Ivey, Jenkins, Gregory Miller, Jay Morris, Pugh, and Danahay voted yea.

#### **Senate Bill No. 499 by Senator Donahue**

Senator Donahue presented Senate Bill No. 499, which provides that the legislative auditor shall make a best practices list available to local auditees.

Representative Pugh offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 499 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 499 was reported favorably by a vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Lance Harris, Ivey, Jenkins, Gregory Miller, Jay Morris, Pugh, and Danahay 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.

### **Senate Bill No. 202 by Senator Peacock**

Senator Peacock presented Senate Bill No. 202, which provides relative to the Nurse Licensure Compact.

Karen C. Lyon, executive director, Louisiana State Board of Nursing, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70810, 225-755-7576, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 202.

John Becknell, Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners, 3448 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 736, Metairie, LA 70002, 504-833-7325, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 202.

Nicholas Mednez, 52504 Marretta Lane, Independence, LA 70443, 985-902-8148, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 202.

Naomi M. Shows, Compass Career College, 70147 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Covington, LA 70433, 985-302-4788, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 202.

Dana Dazet, Compass College, 612 Foxfield Lane, Madisonville, LA 70447, 985-419-2050, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 202.

Melissa S. Smith, 51470 Simmons Road, Loranger, LA 70446, 985-878-2031, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 202.

Phillip R. "Randy" Moore, 41003 Rue Maison, address incomplete, 985-634-1025, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 202.

Representative Ivey offered amendments to add a requirement for the same-level criminal history background check required by present law for a nurse who holds a multi-state license prior to his furnishing nursing services within this state.

Representative Ivey offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Lance Harris, Ivey, Jenkins, Gregory Miller, Jay Morris, Pugh, and Danahay voted yea.

Representative Jenkins offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 202 with amendments, to which Representative Pugh objected. The secretary called the roll, and Senate Bill No. 202 was reported with amendments by a vote of 7 yeas and 1 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Lance Harris, Ivey, Jenkins, Gregory Miller, Jay Morris, and Danahay voted yea. Representative Pugh voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 14 in support and 23 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

### **Senate Bill No. 203 by Senator Peacock**

Senator Peacock presented Senate Bill No. 203, which provides relative to the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact.

Cristina Fauchaux, Louisiana Physical Therapy, 1326 Church Street, Zachary, LA 70791, 225-202-5434, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 203.

Courtney P. Newton, Louisiana Physical Therapy Board, P. O. Box 2367, Hammond, LA 70401, 985-402-3515, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 203.

Representative Jenkins offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 203 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 203 was reported favorably by a vote of 7 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Gregory Miller, Jay Morris, Pugh, and Danahay voted yea.

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

### **Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 39 by Senator Johns**

On behalf of the author, Candice S. LeBlanc, Department of Children and Family Services, 627 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA, presented Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 39, which creates and provides for the Child Protection Act Advisory Commission.

Michelle Faust, Department of Children and Family Services, 627 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Baton Rouge, LA, spoke for information only on Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 39.

Representative Danahay offered a motion to report Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 39 favorably. Without objection, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 39 was reported favorably by a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Gary Carter, Lance Harris, Jenkins, Gregory Miller, Jay Morris, and Danahay voted yea.

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

#### **IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

#### **V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Vice Chairman Steve Pugh announced that the meeting was Chairman Danahay's last and that he would soon take office as mayor of Sulphur, Louisiana.

#### **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Michael E. Danahay  
House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

Date adopted: