

House Committee on Health and Welfare

Minutes of Meeting
2018 Regular Session
April 12, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Frank A. Hoffmann, chairman of the House Committee on Health and Welfare, called the meeting to order at 9:07 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 Robert A. Johnson
Representative H. Bernard LeBas
Representative Dustin Miller
Representative J. Rogers Pope
Representative Jerome Richard
Representative Joseph A. Stagni
Representative Julie Stokes
Representative Bob Hensgens, vice chairman
Representative Frank A. Hoffmann, chairman

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bethany Blackson, attorney
Drew Murray, legislative analyst
Felicie Jackson, secretary
Malik Smith, committee clerk

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Vivian Hurst, sergeant at arms

Faye Talbot, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**Senate Bill No. 264 by Senator Carter**

Senator Carter presented Senate Bill No. 264, which requires public safety telecommunicators who provide dispatch for emergency medical conditions be trained in the delivery of telephone CPR.

Representative Cox offered amendments which:

1. Stipulate that certain training required by proposed law shall meet or exceed nationally recognized guidelines.
2. Provide that proposed law shall not apply to any parish with a population equal to or less than 100,000.
3. Provide that proposed law may be referred to as the Spencer Washington Act.

Representative Cox offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Dustin Miller, Richard, Stagni, Stokes, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

Ashley Hebert, American Heart Association, 2644 S Sherwood Forest Blvd, Ste 108, Baton Rouge, LA 70816, (337) 298-1778, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 264.

Kristen Cobb Simpson, American Heart Association, 2644 S Sherwood Forest Blvd, Ste 108, Baton Rouge, LA 70816, (225) 666-4300, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 264.

Representative Stagni offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 264 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 264 was reported with amendments by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Jackson, Johnson, Dustin Miller, Richard, Stagni, Stokes, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 6 in support, 1 in opposition, and 0 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Senate Bill No. 464 by Senator Riser

Senator Riser presented Senate Bill No. 464, which provides relative to death certificates.

Representative Johnson offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 464 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 464 was reported favorably by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Cox, Jackson, Johnson, Dustin Miller, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

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

Senate Bill No. 131 by Senator Mills

Senator Mills presented Senate Bill No. 131, which provides relative to licensing requirements for pharmacists.

Malcolm Broussard, Board of Pharmacy, 3388 Brentwood Dr, Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (225) 925-6481, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 131.

Representative Johnson offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 131 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 131 was reported favorably by a vote of 10 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Cox, Jackson, Johnson, Dustin Miller, Pope, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

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

Senate Bill No. 134 by Senator Mills

Senator Mills presented Senate Bill No. 134, which provides relative to prescriptions for controlled dangerous substances.

Malcolm Broussard, Board of Pharmacy, 3388 Brentwood Dr, Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (225) 925-6481, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 134.

Representative Hensgens offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 134 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 134 was reported favorably by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Cox, Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Dustin Miller, Pope, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 1 in support, 0 in opposition, and 0 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Senate Bill No. 90 by Senator Mills

Senator Mills presented Senate Bill No. 90, which provides relative to a voluntary nonopioid directive form.

Representative Cox offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 90 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 90 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Cox, Horton, Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Dustin Miller, Pope, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in support, 0 in opposition, and 0 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Senate Bill No. 27 by Senator Mills

Senator Mills presented Senate Bill No. 27, which provides relative to the Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee.

Representative Pope offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 27 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 27 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Cox, Horton, Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Dustin Miller, Pope, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

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

Senate Bill No. 26 by Senator Mills

Senator Mills presented Senate Bill No. 26, which provides relative to disposal of controlled substances by hospice providers.

Representative Hoffmann offered amendments, which make technical changes. Representative Hoffmann offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Cox, Horton, Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Pope, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

Representative Stagni offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 26 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 26 was reported with amendments by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Horton, Hunter, Jackson, Johnson, Dustin Miller, Pope, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann voted yea.

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

Senate Bill No. 24 by Senator Mills

Senator Mills presented Senate Bill No. 24, which provides relative to social work practice.

Steven Wright, Tulane University, 552 Marilyn Dr, Mandeville, LA 70448, (318) 663-3810, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 24.

Howard Boyd, Tulane University, 6823 St Charles Ave, New Orleans, LA 70115, (504) 638-6873, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 24.

Catherine Burnette, Tulane University School of Social Work, 127 Elk Pl, New Orleans, LA 70112, (504) 862-3495, spoke in support to Senate Bill No. 24.

Jason Droddy, Louisiana State University, 3810 W Lakeshore Dr, Baton Rouge, LA 70808, no phone number provided, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 24.

Ayn Stehr, National Association of Social Workers of Louisiana, 700 N 10th St, Ste 200, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 346-1234, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 24.

Carmen Weisner, 5531 Summer Lake Dr, Baton Rouge, LA 70817, (225) 751-0664, spoke in opposition to Senate Bill No. 24.

Evan Bergeron, Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners, 4891 Tchoupitoulas St, New Orleans, LA 70115, (985) 518-3753, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 24.

Representative Pope offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on Senate Bill No. 24. Without objection, action on Senate Bill No. 24 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Cox, Horton, Hunter, LeBas, Dustin Miller, Pope, Richard, Stagni, Hensgens, and Hoffmann 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.

House Bill No. 574 by Representative Dustin Miller

Representative Hoffmann announced that action on House Bill No. 574, which creates the Louisiana Board of Emergency Medical Services, was voluntarily deferred.

House Bill No. 881 by Representative Dustin Miller

Representative Dustin Miller presented House Bill No. 881, which provides relative to the Louisiana Smoke Free Air Act.

"Further action was taken by the committee on April 17, 2018, and May 1, 2018, on House Bill No. 881. Please check for the subsequent action to complete the record of discussion and motions on House Bill No. 881."

Representative Hensgens is in the chair.

Ashley Hebert, American Heart Association, 2644 S Sherwood Forest Dr, Ste 108, Baton Rouge, LA 70816, (337) 298-1778, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881 and provided a handout, Exhibit A, which included in the committee records.

Representative Hoffmann is in the chair.

Raegan Carter, LPHI/TFL, 1515 Poydras Ave, Ste 1200, New Orleans, LA 70112, (504) 301-9800, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Dr. Brent Rochon, American Heart Association, 111 E Deck Blvd, Lafayette, LA 70508, (337) 315-3988, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Maya Blich, ASL/CAN, 62224 Fennwood Dr, Zachary, LA 70791, (550) 370-0290, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Gerald King, Smoke Free Louisiana, 1040 Barrington Dr, Baker, LA 70714, (225) 210-3902, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Jared Hymowitz, Health Baton Rouge, Office of the Mayor of Baton Rouge, LA, 225 St Louis St, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 387-5108, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Roosevelt L. Johnson, City of Alexandria City Council, 5714 Samuel St, Alexandria, LA 71302, (318) 449-5047, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Kenny Neal, 7841 Comite Acres Dr, Baker, LA 70714, (650) 353-0053, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

George Newman, 4081 Airline Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA 70815, (225) 924-0511, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Mike Rogers, Smoking Cessation Trust, 2219 Lakeshore Dr, Ste 220, New Orleans, LA 70122, (504) 529-5665, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881 and provided a handout, Exhibit B, which is included in the committee records.

Claudia Rodas, Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, 1400 I St NW, Ste 1200, Washington DC, 20005, (832) 605-5210, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Onjewel Smith, Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights, 2530 San Pablo Ave, Berkely, CA 94702, (601) 918 -7681, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Terri Williams, American Heart Association, 10900 B Stonelake Blvd, Ste 320, Austin, TX 78717, (512) 338-2405, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Mike McClanahan, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 3313 Government St, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 287-4673, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Nanette Cook, District 7 Council, 313 Beverly Dr, Lafayette, LA 70503, (337) 754-2536, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Tonja Moore, The Louisiana Campaign for Tobacco Free, 1515 Poydras St, Ste 1200, New Orleans, LA 70112, (504) 301-4830, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Lance Barbour, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, 10525 Kentshire Ct, Baton Rouge, LA 70810, (337) 692-2822, spoke in support of House Bill No. 881.

Alton Ashy, Louisiana Video Gaming Association, 218 Laurel St, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 936-1700, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 881.

Wade Duty, Louisiana Casino Association, P.O. Box 3801, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, (225) 344-0037, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 881.

Friday Ellis, Governors Cigar & Pipe, 1004 N 3rd St, Monroe, LA 71201, (318) 355-9869, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 881.

Ashley Ellis, Governors Cigar & Pipe, 1004 N 3rd St, Monroe, LA 71201, (318) 355-9869, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 881.

Heather Hutton, Louisiana Vaping Association, 135 W Genie St, Chalmette, LA 70043, (504) 541-4914, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 881.

Jeff Weber, The Vaping Tiger, 2812 Athania Pkwy, Metairie, LA 70002, (310) 405-4883, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 881.

Victoria Wood, New Orleans Cloud Alchemy, 2812 Athania Pkwy, Metairie, LA 70002, (504) 444-2266, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 881.

Representative Dustin Miller offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 881. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 881 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Horton, Jackson, Johnson, Dustin Miller, Pope, Richard, Stagni, and Hoffmann voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 43 in support, 10 in opposition, and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10 by Senator Barrow

Senator Barrow presented Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10, which requests the Department of Children and Family Services to study extending the age of foster care to age twenty-one.

Representative Jackson offered amendments, which add two members to the panel which is to advise the Dept. of Children and Family Services in connection with the study called for in the Resolution.

Representative Jackson offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Horton, Jackson, Pope, Stagni, and Hoffmann voted yea.

Representative Jackson offered a motion to report Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 10 was reported with amendments by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bagley, Chaney, Cox, Horton, Jackson, Pope, Stagni, and Hoffmann voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 0 in support, 0 in opposition, and 0 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 12:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Frank A. Hoffmann
House Committee on Health and Welfare

Date adopted: