

House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

Minutes of Meeting
2019 Regular Session
April 25, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Patrick O. Jefferson, chairman of the House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in Room 5, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Patrick O. Jefferson, chairman
Representative Beryl A. Amedée
Representative Lawrence A. "Larry" Bagley
Representative Kenny R. Cox
Representative Raymond J. Crews
Representative Reid Falconer
Representative Dodie Horton
Representative Edward C. "Ted" James, II
Representative Ed Larvadain III
Representative Jack G. McFarland
Representative Blake Miguez, vice chairman
Representative Alan Seabaugh

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Royce Duplessis
Representative Vincent J. Pierre
Representative Scott M. Simon

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Shayla Cockerm, attorney
Shenae Graves, secretary

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Faye Talbot , sergeant at arms
Ebony Ward, clerk

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**House Bill No. 285 by Representative Billiot**

Representative Billiot presented House Bill No. 285, which provides medical benefits for volunteer reserve police officers and deputies who may become injured while the volunteer member is in the line of duty.

Ryan Doul, 319 Fairfield Ave., Gretna, LA 70056, (504) 982-1566, spoke in support of House Bill No. 285.

Fabian Blanche, Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police, 700 North 10th Street, Suite 250, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 387-3261, spoke in support of House Bill No. 285.

Representative Miguez offered amendments which would specify that medical benefits shall be given to volunteer reserve officers or deputies if the municipality, parish, or public entity elects to provide such benefits.

Representative Miguez offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 11 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Jefferson, Miguez, Amedee, Bagley, Cox, Crews, Falconer, Horton, Larvadain, McFarland, and Seabaugh voted yea.

Representative Cox offered a motion to report House Bill No. 285 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 285 was reported with amendments by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Jefferson, Miguez, Amedee, Bagley, Cox, Crews, Falconer, Horton, James, Larvadain, McFarland, and Seabaugh voted yea.

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

House Bill No. 64 by Representative Crews

Representative Crews presented House Bill No. 64, which provides an increase in hours for minors before receiving a recreation or meal period.

Stan Harris, Louisiana Restaurant Association, 2700 N. Arnoult Rd., Metairie, LA 70002, (504) 210-2516, spoke in support of House Bill No. 64.

Representative Miguez in the chair.

Julie Cherry, Louisiana AFL-CIO, 429 Government St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 383-5741, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 64.

Chairman Jefferson in the chair.

Susan East Nelson, LA Partnership for Children & Families, 13609 Landmark Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70810, (225) 229-2498, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 64.

Representative Miguez offered a motion to report House Bill No. 64 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 64 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Jefferson, Miguez, Amedee, Bagley, Cox, Crews, Falconer, Horton, James, Larvadain, McFarland, and Seabaugh voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 2 in support, 7 in opposition, and 2 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 10:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Patrick O. Jefferson
House Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

Date adopted: