

## **House Committee on Retirement**

Minutes of Meeting  
2019 Regular Session  
May 22, 2019

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

Representative J. Kevin Pearson, chairman of the House Committee on Retirement, called the meeting to order at 10:22 a.m. in Room 4, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Representative J. Kevin Pearson, chairman  
Representative Patricia "Pat" Moore  
Representative Jeremy S. LaCombe  
Representative Mark Abraham  
Representative Tony Bacala  
Representative Barbara W. Carpenter  
Representative Paul Hollis

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Representative Barry Ivey  
Representative Sam Jones, vice chairman

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

Tyler Bosworth, legislative analyst  
Jennifer Watson, secretary  
Bryan Vincent, division director

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

Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms  
Gabrielle Daigle, clerk  
Lowell Good, actuary with auditors office

### **III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**

#### **Senate Bill No. 9 by Senator Peterson**

Senator Peterson presented Senate Bill No. 9, which removes certain future employees of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) from the system and state civil service.

Rodney Braxton, RTA, 543 Spanish Town Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 381-0166, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 9.

Arthur Walton, city of New Orleans, 1300 Perdido Street, New Orleans, LA 70112, (504) 658-4943, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 9.

Jared Munster, RTA, 2817 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70119, (504) 827-8330, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 9.

Suchitra Satpathi, Transit Development, 1515 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA 70125, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 9.

Louis Reine, Louisiana AFL-CIO, 429 Government Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 383-5741 spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 9.

Byron Decoteau, Louisiana Civil Service, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, (225) 278-7258, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 9.

Maris LeBlanc, LASERS, 8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (225) 922-2644 spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 9.

Representative Abraham offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 9 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 9 was reported favorably by a vote of 6 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Pearson, Moore, LaCombe, Abraham, Bacala, and Carpenter 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**

There were no announcements.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman J. Kevin Pearson  
House Committee on Retirement

Date adopted: