

## **House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works**

Minutes of Meeting  
2019 Regular Session  
April 23, 2019

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

Representative Terry C. Landry, Sr., chairman of the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. in Room 3, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Representative Terry C. Landry, Sr., chairman  
Representative Kendrick "Ken" Brass  
Representative Terry R. Brown  
Representative Barbara W. Carpenter  
Representative Stephen F. Carter, vice chairman  
Representative A B Franklin  
Representative Jerry Gisclair  
Representative John E. Guinn  
Representative Dorothy Sue Hill  
Representative Frank A. Howard  
Representative Ed Larvadain III  
Representative H. Bernard LeBas  
Representative Barbara M. Norton  
Representative Vincent J. Pierre  
Representative J. Rogers Pope  
Representative Malinda B. White  
Representative Mark Wright

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Representative Roy Daryl Adams  
Representative C. Denise Marcelle

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

Ashleigh Clare-Kearney, attorney  
Glenn Fleming, attorney

Angelique R. Mozee, secretary

**ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:**

Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms  
LaKisha Carmese, clerk

**III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION**

**House Bill No. 575 by Representative Magee**

Representative Magee presented House Bill No. 575, which establishes requirements for transportation network companies.

Representative Terry Landry offered an amendment to change the governing authority for transportation network companies from the Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry to the Dept. of Transportation and Development. Representative Terry Landry offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Guinn, Hill, Howard, Larvadain, LeBas, Pierre, Pope, and White voted yea.

Speaker Barras addressed the committee and spoke in support of House Bill No. 575.

Mr. Scott L. Sternberg, Louisiana Press Association, 435 Gravier Street, New Orleans, LA 70112, (504) 324-2141, spoke in opposition to House Bill No. 575.

Mr. Brandon Frey, Louisiana Public Service Commission, Galvez Building, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 342-4427, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 575.

Mr. Nick Juliano, Uber, 1201 Peachtree Street, Suite 1800, Atlanta, GA 70761, (404) 740-1585, spoke in support of House Bill No. 575.

*Vice Chairman Steve Carter in the chair.*

*Chairman Terry Landry in the chair.*

Representative Gisclair offered an amendment to make technical changes. Representative Gisclair offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment, to which Representative Pierre objected. The secretary called the roll, and the motion failed by a vote of 5 yeas, 10 nays, and 1 abstention. Representatives Carpenter, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, and Norton voted yea. Representatives Brass, Terry Brown, Guinn, Hill, Howard, Larvadain, Pierre, Pope, White, and Wright voted nay. Representative Terry Landry abstained from voting.

Ms. Gwendolyn Wallace, Uber Drivers, 4409 Laine Avenue, no city/state provided, (504) 415-4969, spoke in support of House Bill No. 575.

Representative Larvadain offered a motion to report House Bill No. 575 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 575 was reported with amendments by a vote of 17 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Guinn, Hill, Howard, Larvadain, LeBas, Norton, Pierre, Pope, White, and Wright voted yea.

Representatives Norton and Larvadain acknowledged the attendance of former Representative Hebert Dixon, Reverend Bennie Edison, and Deacon McDow from Alexandria, Louisiana.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 10 in support, and 2 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

### **House Bill No. 205 by Representative Hilferty**

Representative Hilferty presented House Bill No. 205, which renames the Non-Flood Protection Asset Management Authority.

Ms. Wilma Heaton, Non Flood Protection Asset Management Authority, 6001 Stars and Strips Boulevard, New Orleans, LA, no zip code provided, (504) 236-8185, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 205

Mr. Eugene J. Green, Non Flood Protection, 4939 St. Roch Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70122, (504) 287-3832, spoke in support of House Bill No. 205.

Representative Pope offered a motion to report House Bill No. 205 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 205 was reported favorably by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Gisclair, Guinn, Hill, Howard, LeBas, Pierre, Pope, White, and Wright voted yea.

### **House Bill No. 132 by Representative Crews**

Representative Crews presented House Bill No. 132, which modifies postaccident drug testing requirements.

Representative Terry Landry offered an amendment to modify the definition of "serious bodily injury" by removing "unconsciousness and extreme physical pain" and adding "a period of protracted unconsciousness". Representative Terry Landry offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Franklin, Gisclair, Guinn, Hill, Howard, LeBas, Pierre, Pope, White, and Wright voted yea.

Ms. Morgan Grantham, 444 Kingston Plantation Boulevard, Benton, LA 71006, (318) 272-6847, spoke in support of House Bill No. 132 and provided a handout, Exhibit A, which is included in the committee records.

Lieutenant Robert Burns, Louisiana State Police, 7917 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, (225) 925-4239, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 132.

Representative Wright offered a motion to report House Bill No. 132 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 132 was reported with amendments by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Gisclair, Hill, Larvadain, LeBas, Norton, Pierre, Pope, White, and Wright voted yea.

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

### **House Bill No. 534 by Representative Pope**

Representative Pope presented House Bill No. 534, which provides relative to electric low-speed scooters.

Representative Pope offered an amendment to authorize the Department of Transportation and Development or a local governmental subdivision to prohibit or reasonably regulate the operation of an electric low-speed scooter on roadways, sidewalks, or paths under its jurisdiction as necessary. Representative Pope offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendment. Without objection, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Gisclair, Larvadain, LeBas, Norton, Pierre, Pope, and Wright voted yea.

*Vice Chairman Steve Carter in the chair.*

Mr. Larry Murray, The Capitol Group, LIME, P.O. Box 44153, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, (225) 413-8705, spoke in support of House Bill No. 534.

Mr. Todd O'Boyle, LIME, 85 Second Street, San Francisco, CA 94503, (888) LIME-345, spoke in support of House Bill No. 534.

Representative Norton offered a motion to report House Bill No. 534 with amendments. After further discussion, Representative Norton withdrew her motion.

Representative Pope offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 534. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 534 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays.

Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Larvadain, LeBas, Norton, Pierre, Pope, White, and Wright voted yea.

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

*Chairman Terry Landry in the chair.*

**House Bill No. 561 by Representative Abraham**

Representative Abraham presented House Bill No. 561, which creates and provides relative to the Calcasieu Parish Tolling Authority.

Representative Franklin offered amendments to:

- (1) Make technical changes.
- (2) Add one person selected by the governing authority of Calcasieu Parish who resides in Calcasieu Parish to the makeup of the board and remove one person that would have been selected by the Southwest La. Delegation.
- (3) Delete provisions relative to eminent domain.

Representative Franklin offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Guinn, Larvadain, LeBas, Norton, Pierre, Pope, White, and Wright voted yea.

Mr. Joshua Hollins, Department of Transportation and Development, no card provided, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 561.

Representative Franklin offered a motion to report House Bill No. 561 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 561 was reported with amendments by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Guinn, Larvadain, Norton, Pope, White, and Wright 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.

**House Bill No. 67 by Representative Gregory Miller**

On behalf of Representative Gregory Miller, Representative Brass presented House Bill No. 67, which changes the title of certain board officer positions within the membership of the South Louisiana Port Commission.

Representative Norton offered a motion to report House Bill No. 67 favorably. Without objection, House Bill No. 67 was reported favorably by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Terry Brown, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Larvadain, Norton, Pierre, Pope, White, and Wright 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.

**IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Terry Landry offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Terry Landry, Brass, Carpenter, Steve Carter, Franklin, Gisclair, Larvadain, Norton, Pierre, Pope, White, and Wright voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Terry C. Landry, Sr.  
House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Date adopted: