House Committee on Ways and Means

Minutes of Meeting 2022 Regular Session April 11, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Stuart J. Bishop, chairman of the House Committee on Ways and Means, called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. in Room 6, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Stuart J. Bishop, chairman

Representative Gerald "Beau" Beaullieu, IV, vice chairman

Representative Ryan Bourriaque

Representative Marcus Anthony Bryant

Representative Rhonda Gaye Butler

Representative Phillip R. DeVillier

Representative Les Farnum

Representative Jeremy S. LaCombe

Representative Mandie Landry

Representative Wayne McMahen

Representative Buddy Mincey, Jr.

Representative Joseph A. Orgeron

Representative Neil Riser

Representative Laurie Schlegel

Representative Malinda B. White

Representative Matthew Willard

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Tanner D. Magee

Representative Tammy T. Phelps

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brittany Lea, committee administrative assistant Alison Pryor, senior attorney Claire Vermaelen, capital outlay specialist Ways and Means April 11, 2022

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Janet Anthony, sergeant at arms Angela McKnight, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

The committee recessed at 11:02 a.m. The committee reconvened at 1:31 p.m.

Representative Beaullieu in the chair.

House Bill No. 2 by Representative Bishop

Representative Bishop presented House Bill No. 2, which provides for the comprehensive Capital Outlay budget.

Representative Bishop offered amendments to allow staff to make technical changes to the current set of amendments. Representative Bishop offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bishop, Beaullieu, Bourriaque, Bryant, Butler, DeVillier, Farnum, McMahen, Mincey, Orgeron, Riser, Schlegel, White, and Willard voted yea.

Representative Bishop offered amendments which changes General Obligation Bond funding as follows:

Priority 1	\$ 24,801,371
Priority 2	\$ (23,913,000)
Priority 5	\$ 271,159,200

Representative Bishop offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bishop, Beaullieu, Bourriaque, Bryant, Butler, DeVillier, Farnum, Mincey, Orgeron, Riser, Schlegel, White, and Willard voted yea.

Mr. Edward Carlson, Odyssey House Louisiana (OHL), 1125 North Tonti Street, New Orleans, LA 70119, (504) 494-9628, spoke in support of House Bill No. 2 and provided a handout, Exhibit A, which is included in the committee records.

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Representative Bishop offered a motion to report House Bill No. 2 with amendments. Without objection, House Bill No. 2 was reported with amendments by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bishop, Beaullieu, Bourriaque, Butler, DeVillier, Farnum, LaCombe, Landry, Mincey, Orgeron, Riser, Schlegel, White, and Willard voted yea.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Bishop announced that all amendments would be released and available on the internet for viewing prior to reconvening at 1:30 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Farnum offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bishop, Beaullieu, Bourriaque, Butler, DeVillier, Farnum, LaCombe, Landry, Mincey, Orgeron, Riser, Schlegel, White, and Willard voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Stuart J. Bishop House Committee on Ways and Means