

## **House Committee on Health and Welfare**

Minutes of Meeting  
2025 Regular Session  
May 20, 2025

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

Representative Dustin Miller, chair of the House Committee on Health and Welfare, called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m. in Room 5, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Representative Dustin Miller, chair  
Representative Stephanie H. Berault  
Representative Rhonda Gaye Butler, vice chair  
Representative Tehmi Jahi Chassion  
Representative Emily Chenevert  
Representative Raymond J. Crews  
Representative Kellee Hennessy Dickerson  
Representative Michael Charles Echols  
Representative Peter F. Egan, Sr.  
Representative Adrian Fisher  
Representative Jason Hughes  
Representative Wayne McMahan  
Representative Annie Spell  
Representative Joseph A. Stagni  
Representative Christopher Turner

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Representative Steven Jackson

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

Taylor Chrisman, attorney  
Nya Bryant, legislative analyst  
Kristy Neubrandner, committee administrative assistant

**ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:**

Rebecca Marshall, sergeant at arms

Nevonda Reed, division director

**III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION****Senate Bill No. 104 by Senator Price**

Senator Price presented Senate Bill No. 104, which provides relative to the Empowering Families to Live Well Louisiana Council.

Representative Miller offered amendments to add one member representing Ellevote Louisiana. Representative Miller offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Miller, Berault, Butler, Chassion, Chenevert, Crews, Dickerson, Echols, Egan, Fisher, McMahan, Stagni, and Turner voted yea.

Representative Chassion offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 104 with amendments. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 104 was reported with amendments by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Miller, Berault, Butler, Chassion, Chenevert, Crews, Dickerson, Echols, Egan, Fisher, McMahan, Stagni, and Turner 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.

**Senate Bill No. 70 by Senator Myers**

Senator Myers presented Senate Bill No. 70, which provides relative to remote patient monitoring services.

Representative Berault offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 70 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 70 was reported favorably by a vote of 12 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Miller, Berault, Butler, Chassion, Crews, Dickerson, Echols, Egan, Fisher, McMahan, Stagni, and Turner voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 11 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

**Senate Bill No. 10 by Senator Boudreaux**

Senator Boudreaux presented Senate Bill No. 10, which provides relative to the Louisiana State Board of Optometry Examiners.

Representative Fisher offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 10 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 10 was reported favorably by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Miller, Berault, Butler, Chassion, Crews, Dickerson, Echols, Egan, Fisher, Hughes, McMahan, Stagni, and Turner voted yeas.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in support and 1 for information only. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

**Senate Bill No. 17 by Senator Boudreaux**

Senator Boudreaux presented Senate Bill No. 17, which repeals the termination date of the Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Council.

Susan Nelson, Palliative Care Advisory Council, 1514 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans, LA 70121, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 17.

Representative Berault offered a motion to report Senate Bill No. 17 favorably. Without objection, Senate Bill No. 17 was reported favorably by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Miller, Berault, Butler, Chassion, Crews, Dickerson, Echols, Egan, Fisher, Hughes, McMahan, Stagni, and Turner voted yeas.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

**Senate Bill No. 26 by Senator Boudreaux**

Senator Boudreaux presented Senate Bill No. 26, which provides relative to diabetes information.

Representative Miller offered technical amendments. Representative Miller offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 13 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Miller, Berault, Butler, Chassion, Crews, Dickerson, Echols, Egan, Fisher, Hughes, McMahan, Stagni, and Turner voted yeas.

Richie Edmonds, JDRF/Breakthrough T1D, 15415 Manchac View Court, Baton Rouge, LA 70810, spoke in support of Senate Bill No. 26.

Juliette Saussy, Louisiana Department of Health, 628 North Fourth Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on Senate Bill No. 26.

Representative Butler 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 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Miller, Berault, Butler, Chassion, Crews, Dickerson, Echols, Egan, Fisher, Hughes, McMahan, Spell, Stagni, and Turner 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.

#### **IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

#### **V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

#### **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Representative Chassion offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 14 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Miller, Berault, Butler, Chassion, Crews, Dickerson, Echols, Egan, Fisher, Hughes, McMahan, Spell, Stagni, and Turner voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chair Dustin Miller  
House Committee on Health and Welfare

Date adopted: