

Joint Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Minutes of Meeting
2024-2025 Interim
April 14, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Ryan Bourriaque, chair of the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. in Room 6, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

HOUSE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Ryan Bourriaque, chair
Representative Chad Michael Boyer
Representative Tehmi Jahi Chassion
Representative Kellee Hennessy Dickerson
Representative Bryan Fontenot, vice chair
Representative C. Travis Johnson
Representative Patricia "Pat" Moore
Representative Rodney Wayne Schamerhorn
Representative Jeffrey Fons "Jeff" Wiley

HOUSE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Jacob Braud
Representative Steven Jackson
Representative Tammy T. Phelps
Representative Joy Walters

SENATE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Patrick Connick, chair
Senator Mark Abraham
Senator William "Bill" Wheat

SENATE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Gary Carter, vice chair
Senator Heather Cloud
Senator Patrick McMath
Senator Edward "Ed" Price

HOUSE STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Allison Williams, House attorney
Jaclyn Champagne, House attorney
Darcas Deverteuil, House committee administrative assistant

SENATE STAFF PRESENT:

Archana Cadge, Senate attorney
Christine Peck, Senate attorney

Serena Mohammad, Senate secretary
Quinn Williams, House committee clerk

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Rebecca Marshall, House Sergeant at arms
Anthony Lombard, Senate Sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION

To vote on the 2025-2026 priority lists for the Statewide Highway Priority Program

Joe Donahue, LA DOTD, 1201 Capitol Access Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on Highway Priority Program.

Mary Elliot, LA DOTD, 1201 Capitol Access Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only on the Highway Priority Program, and provided a handout, Exhibit A, which is included in the committee records. Ms. Elliot explain the breakdown of the FY 25-26 Highway Priority Program and highlighted a few changes that were a culmination of the committees comments from the Road Show.

Chairman Bourriaque welcomed Representative Spell and new staff attorney Jaclyn Champagne to the House Transportation Committee.

Ms. Elliot and Secretary Donahue entertained questions from a host of committee members on varying topics from the project letting process, LED, and details on specific projects from the Highway Priority Program.

Representative Tarver offered a motion to approve the FY 2025-2026 priority lists for the Statewide Highway Priority Program. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bourriaque, Boyer, Chassion, Dickerson, Fontenot, Jackson, C. Travis Johnson, Moore, Schamerhorn, Spell, Tarver and Wiley voted yea. Senators Abraham, Connick, and Wheat votes yea.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Bourriaque offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 15 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Bourriaque, Boyer, Chassion, Dickerson, Fontenot,

Jackson, C. Travis Johnson, Moore, Schamerhorn, Spell, Tarver and Wiley voted yea. Senators Abraham, Connick, and Wheat votes yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chair Ryan Bourriaque
House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works