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# FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

Fifty-fourth Extraordinary Session of the Legislature Under the Adoption of the Constitution of 1974

> House of Representatives State Capitol Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, October 27, 2025

The House of Representatives was called to order at 9:05 A.M., by the Honorable Phillip DeVillier, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

# **Morning Hour**

## **ROLL CALL**

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names:

# **PRESENT**

| Mr. Speaker | Edmonston   | McFarland   |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Adams       | Egan        | McMahen     |
| Bacala      | Emerson     | McMakin     |
| Bagley      | Farnum      | Melerine    |
| Bamburg     | Firment     | Mena        |
| Bayham      | Fisher      | Miller      |
| Beaullieu   | Fontenot    | Moore       |
| Berault     | Freiberg    | Muscarello  |
| Billings    | Gadberry    | Newell      |
| Bourriaque  | Galle       | Orgeron     |
| Boyd        | Geymann     | Owen        |
| Boyer       | Glorioso    | Phelps      |
| Brass       | Hebert      | Riser       |
| Braud       | Henry       | Romero      |
| Brown       | Hilferty    | Schamerhorn |
| Bryant      | Horton      | Schlegel    |
| Butler      | Hughes      | Spell       |
| Carlson     | Illg        | St. Blanc   |
| Carpenter   | Jackson     | Stagni      |
| Carrier     | Johnson, M. | Tarver      |
| Carter, R.  | Johnson, T. | Taylor      |
| Carter, W.  | Jordan      | Thomas      |
| Carver      | Kerner      | Thompson    |
| Chassion    | Knox        | Turner      |
| Chenevert   | LaCombe     | Ventrella   |
| Coates      | LaFleur     | Villio      |
| Cox         | Landry, J.  | Walters     |
| Crews       | Landry, M.  | Wilder      |
| Davis       | Landry, T.  | Wiley       |
| Deshotel    | Larvadain   | Willard     |
| Dewitt      | Lyons       | Wright      |
| Dickerson   | Mack        | Wyble       |

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and a quorum.

Marcelle McCormick Young

The Speaker announced that there were 101 members present

## **Prayer**

Prayer was offered by Rep. Bagley.

# Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Gadberry led the House in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

# Reading of the Journal

On motion of Rep. Bacala, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Bacala, the Journal of October 24, 2025, was adopted.

# Petitions, Memorials, and **Communications**

The following petitions, memorials, and communications were received and read:

# Message from the Senate

#### SENATE BILLS

October 25, 2025

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has finally passed the following Senate Bills:

Senate Bill Nos. 1 and 2

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON Secretary of the Senate

# **Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions** on First Reading

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on first reading were taken up, read, and, under a suspension of the rules, referred to committees, as follows:

SENATE BILL NO. 1— BY SENATOR KLEINPETER AND REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU AN ACT

To enact Part I-B of Chapter 5 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 18:419.1 and 419.2, relative to the conduct of elections in 2026; to provide for dates for spring elections in 2026; to provide for qualifying spring elections in 2026; to provide for nominating petitions for spring elections in 2026; to provide for election campaign finance disclosure filing deadlines for 2026; to provide certain authorizations to the secretary of state; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

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#### **SENATE BILL NO. 2-**

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER AND REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 218 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 2 of Act No. 219 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 3 of Act No. 221 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 8 of Act No. 222 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Section 2 of Act No. 223 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to designating the statewide election for submitting proposed constitutional amendments contained in joint resolutions concurred in during the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature to the electors of the state; to provide for a special statewide election to be held on May 16, 2026, for the purpose of submitting proposed constitutional amendments to the electors of the state; to provide for the conduct of such election; to change the date on which the proposed constitutional amendments shall be submitted to the electors; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

# **House and House Concurrent Resolutions Lying Over**

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions lying over were taken up and acted upon as follows:

# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To adopt Joint Rule No. 21(K) of the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives to provide for time limitations for the consideration of certain redistricting plans.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

# **House Bills and Joint Resolutions on** Second Reading to be Referred

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading to be referred to committees were taken up, read, and referred to committees, as follows:

# **HOUSE BILL NO. 5-**

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

AN ACT

To enact Part I-B of Chapter 5 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 18:419, relative to the legislative redistricting website during the 2026 election cycle; to provide for information contained on the website; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

# House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committee

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading reported by committee were taken up and acted upon as follows:

### **HOUSE BILL NO. 1-**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU AND SENATOR KLEINPETER AN ACT

To enact Part I-B of Chapter 5 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 18:419.1 and 419.2, relative to the conduct of elections in 2026; to provide for dates for spring elections in 2026; to provide for qualifying for spring elections in 2026; to provide for nominating petitions for spring elections in 2026; to provide for election campaign finance disclosure filing deadlines for 2026; to provide certain authorizations to the secretary of state; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

#### HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to Original House Bill No. 1 by Representative Beaullieu

### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, between lines 2 and 3 insert the following:

"Section 2. The change of election dates as provided in this Act shall not be construed to invalidate any action undertaken by the governing authority of a political subdivision in an effort to place a bond, debt, tax, or proposition election or other question to be presented to the voters on either the April 18, 2026, or May 30, 2026, ballot. Any notice, resolution, proclamation, or certification that states either the April 18, 2026, or May 30, 2026, election date shall not be invalidated for failure to state the May 16, 2026, or June 27, 2026, election date as provided for in this Act."

# AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, line 3, change "Section 2." to "Section 3."

On motion of Rep. Beaullieu, the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Rep. Beaullieu, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2— BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU AND SENATOR KLEINPETER AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 218 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 2 of Act No. 219 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 3 of Act No. 221 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, Section 8 of Act No. 222 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Section 2 of Act No. 223 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature and to repeal Act No. 212 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to designating the statewide election for submitting proposed constitutional amendments contained in joint resolutions concurred in during the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature to the electors of the state; to provide for a special statewide election to be held on May 16, 2026, for the purpose of submitting proposed constitutional amendments to the electors of the state; to provide for the conduct of such election; to change the date on which the proposed constitutional amendments shall be submitted to the electors; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

On motion of Rep. Beaullieu, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

# Leave of Absence

Rep. Freeman - 1 day

# Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 9:14 A.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 1:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 1:00 P.M., Tuesday, October 28, 2025.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT Clerk of the House

ANGELA S. SMITH Assistant Clerk of the House / Journal Clerk