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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

The House of Representatives was called to order at 9:06 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	McCormick
Adams	Egan	McFarland
Amedee	Emerson	McMahan
Bacala	Farnum	McMakin
Bagley	Firment	Melerine
Bamburg	Fisher	Mena
Bayham	Fontenot	Miller
Beaullieu	Freeman	Moore
Berault	Freiberg	Muscarello
Billings	Gadberry	Newell
Bourriaque	Galle	Orgeron
Boyd	Geymann	Owen
Boyer	Glorioso	Phelps
Brass	Green	Riser
Braud	Hebert	Romero
Brown	Henry	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Hilferty	Schlegel
Butler	Horton	Spell
Carlson	Hughes	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Illg	Tarver
Carrier	Jackson	Taylor
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Thomas
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Thompson
Carver	Jordan	Turner
Chasson	Kerner	Ventrella
Chenevert	Knox	Villio
Coates	LaCombe	Walters
Cox	LaFleur	Wilder
Crews	Landry, J.	Willard
Davis	Landry, M.	Wright
Deshotel	Landry, T.	Wyble

Dewitt	Larvadain	Young
Dickerson	Lyons	Zeringue
Domangue	Mack	
Echols	Marcelle	
Total - 103		

The Speaker announced that there were 103 members present
and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rep. Wilder.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Romero 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 28, 2025, was
adopted.

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. 4—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
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
conduct of fall elections for party primary offices in 2026; to
provide for the fall primary election to serve as a primary
election for a party primary office to be elected in 2026; to
provide for the fall general election to serve as a general election
for a party primary office to be elected in 2026; 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.

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on
Third Reading and Final Passage

The following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on third
reading and final passage were taken up and acted upon 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.

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Rep. Beaulieu moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Dickerson	McFarland
Adams	Domangue	McMahan
Amedee	Echols	McMakin
Bacala	Edmonston	Melerine
Bagley	Egan	Muscarello
Bamburg	Emerson	Orgeron
Bayham	Farnum	Owen
Beaulieu	Firment	Riser
Berault	Fontenot	Romero
Billings	Freiberg	Schamerhorn
Bourriaque	Gadberry	Schlegel
Boyer	Galle	Spell
Braud	Geymann	St. Blanc
Butler	Glorioso	Tarver
Carlson	Hebert	Thomas
Carrier	Henry	Thompson
Carter, R.	Hilferty	Turner
Carver	Horton	Ventrella
Chenevert	Illg	Villio
Coates	Johnson, M.	Wilder
Cox	Kerner	Wright
Crews	LaCombe	Wyble
Davis	Landry, J.	Zeringue
Deshotel	Mack	
Dewitt	McCormick	
Total - 73		

NAYS

Boyd	Jackson	Mena
Brass	Johnson, T.	Miller
Brown	Jordan	Moore
Bryant	Knox	Newell
Carpenter	LaFleur	Phelps
Chassion	Landry, M.	Taylor
Fisher	Landry, T.	Walters
Freeman	Larvadain	Willard
Green	Lyons	Young
Hughes	Marcelle	
Total - 29		

ABSENT

Carter, W.	Stagni	Wiley
Total - 3		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

Rep. Beaulieu moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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 matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Beaulieu moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Dickerson	McFarland
Adams	Domangue	McMahan
Amedee	Echols	McMakin
Bacala	Edmonston	Melerine
Bagley	Egan	Muscarello
Bamburg	Farnum	Orgeron
Bayham	Firment	Owen
Beaulieu	Fontenot	Riser
Berault	Freiberg	Romero
Billings	Gadberry	Schamerhorn
Bourriaque	Galle	Schlegel
Boyer	Geymann	Spell
Braud	Glorioso	St. Blanc
Butler	Hebert	Tarver
Carlson	Henry	Thomas
Carrier	Hilferty	Thompson
Carter, R.	Horton	Turner
Carver	Illg	Ventrella
Chenevert	Jackson	Villio
Coates	Johnson, M.	Wilder
Cox	Kerner	Wright
Crews	LaCombe	Wyble
Davis	Landry, J.	Zeringue
Deshotel	Mack	
Dewitt	McCormick	
Total - 73		

NAYS

Boyd	Johnson, T.	Miller
Brass	Jordan	Moore
Brown	Knox	Newell
Bryant	LaFleur	Phelps
Carpenter	Landry, M.	Taylor
Chassion	Landry, T.	Walters
Fisher	Larvadain	Willard
Freeman	Lyons	Young
Green	Marcelle	
Hughes	Mena	
Total - 28		

ABSENT

Carter, W.	Stagni
Emerson	Wiley
Total - 4	

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

Rep. Beaulieu moved to reconsider the vote by which the above bill was finally passed, and, on his own motion, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Illg, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Introduction of Resolutions, House and House Concurrent at this time.

Introduction of Resolutions, House and House Concurrent

The following members introduced the following entitled House and House Concurrent Resolutions, which were read the first time by their titles and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIAQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, DESHOTEL, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FIRMENT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GLORIOSO, HEBERT, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCFARLAND, MELERINE, MENA, MOORE, NEWELL, OWEN, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, WALTERS, WILDER, WRIGHT, AND WYBLE

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Congress of the United States to enact legislation authorizing reimbursement to states that use non-federal funds to continue providing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits during a federal government shutdown.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Illg, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was ordered passed to its third reading.

Suspension of the Rules

Rep. Illg moved to suspend the rules to take up House Concurrent Resolution No. 1 on the same day it was passed to its third reading, which motion was agreed to.

House and House Concurrent Resolutions on Third Reading for Final Consideration

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions on third reading for final consideration were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIAQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, DESHOTEL, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FIRMENT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GLORIOSO, HEBERT, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCFARLAND, MELERINE, MENA, MOORE, NEWELL, OWEN, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, WALTERS, WILDER, WRIGHT, AND WYBLE

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Congress of the United States to enact legislation authorizing reimbursement to states that use non-federal funds to continue providing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits during a federal government shutdown.

Read by title.

Rep. Illg moved the adoption of the resolution.

By a vote of 101 yeas and 0 nays, the resolution was adopted.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Michael Johnson, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Petitions, Memorials, and Communications at this time.

Petitions, Memorials, and Communications

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

Message from the Senate

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

October 29, 2025

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has concurred in the following House Concurrent Resolutions:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3
Returned without amendments

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

Message from the Senate

SIGNED SENATE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

October 29, 2025

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the President of the Senate has signed the following Senate Bills:

Senate Bill Nos. 1 and 2

and ask the Speaker of the House of Representatives to affix his signature to the same.

Respectfully submitted,

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

The Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions contained herein were signed by the Speaker of the House.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Michael Johnson, the Speaker appointed the following special committee to notify the Senate that the House has completed its labors and is prepared to adjourn *sine die*: Reps. Hughes and Willard.

Reports of Special Committees

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The special committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House had completed its labors and was prepared to adjourn *sine die* reported that it had performed that duty.

The Speaker thanked and discharged the committee.

Committee from the Senate

A special committee from the Senate notified the House that the Senate has completed its labors and is prepared to adjourn *sine die*.

The Speaker thanked and dismissed the committee.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

October 29, 2025

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

I am directed by your Committee on Enrollment to submit the following report:

The following House Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOURRIAQUE, BOYD, BOYER, BRASS, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, DESHOTEL, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, FIRMONT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GLORIOSO, HEBERT, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCFARLAND, MELERINE, MENA, MOORE, NEWELL, OWEN, RISER, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, TURNER, WALTERS, WILDER, WRIGHT, AND WYBLE

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Congress of the United States to enact legislation authorizing reimbursement to states that use non-federal funds to continue providing Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits during a federal government shutdown.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY
Chairwoman

The above House Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

October 29, 2025

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

I am directed by your Committee on Enrollment to submit the following report:

The following House Concurrent Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEVILLIER, ADAMS, BACALA, BAMBURG, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOYD, BRASS, BRAUD, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARPENTER, CARRIER, ROBBY CARTER, CARVER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, COATES, COX, CREWS, DAVIS, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EDMONSTON, EGAN, EMERSON, FIRMONT, FISHER, FONTENOT, FREIBERG, GLORIOSO, HENRY, HILFERTY, HORTON, HUGHES, JACKSON, MIKE JOHNSON, JORDAN, KERNER, KNOX, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MACK, MARCELLE, MCFARLAND, MOORE, NEWELL, ORGERON, OWEN, PHELPS, ROMERO, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, SPELL, ST. BLANC, TAYLOR, THOMAS, THOMPSON, VENTRELLA, VILLIO, WALTERS, WILEY, WILLARD, WYBLE, AND YOUNG AND SENATORS BARROW, BOUDREAUX, CARTER, CONNICK, DUPLESSIS, EDMONDS, HARRIS, HENRY, JACKSON-ANDREWS, JENKINS, LUNEAU, MILLER, MIZELL, MYERS, OWEN, PRESSLY, PRICE, SELDERS, STINE, AND WOMACK

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health to take immediate action utilizing any available revenue source to address the suspension of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits caused by the federal government shutdown.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHANIE HILFERTY
Chairwoman

The above House Concurrent Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken to the Senate by the Clerk of the House and were signed by the President of the Senate and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.

Leave of Absence

Rep. Stagni - 1 day

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 12:04 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn *sine die*.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned *sine die*.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House

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