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SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

The House of Representatives was called to order at 3:01 P.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	Domangue	Marcelle
Adams	Echols	Martinez
Amedee	Edmonston	McCormick
Bacala	Egan	McFarland
Bagley	Farnum	McMahan
Bamburg	Firment	McMakin
Bayham	Fisher	Melerine
Beaullieu	Fontenot	Mena
Berault	Freeman	Miller
Billings	Freiberg	Moore
Boudreaux	Gadberry	Murray
Bourriaque	Galle	Muscarello
Boyd	Glorioso	Newell
Boyer	Green	Orgeron
Brass	Hebert	Owen
Braud	Henry	Phelps
Broussard	Hilferty	Riser
Bryant	Horton	Schamerhorn
Butler	Illg	Schlegel
Carlson	Jackson	Spell
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	St. Blanc
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Stagni
Carter, R.	Jordan	Taylor
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thompson
Carver	Knox	Turner
Chassion	LaCombe	Ventrella
Chenevert	LaFleur	Villio
Coates	Landry, J.	Walters
Cox	Landry, M.	Wilder
Crews	Landry, T.	Wiley
Deshotel	Larvadain	Wyble

Dewitt	Lyons	Young
Dickerson	Mack	Zeringue
Total - 99		

The Speaker announced that there were 99 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rep. Hilferty.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Stagni 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 March 9, 2026, was adopted.

**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. 10—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER
A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, March 11, 2026, as Funeral Directors Day at the capitol, to recognize National Funeral Directors and Morticians Day, and to commend the Louisiana Funeral Directors Association for the vital services provided by funeral directors and morticians across the state of Louisiana.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER
A RESOLUTION

To commend the Krewe of Eve on the occasion of its fortieth anniversary.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Crimestoppers of Greater New Orleans (GNO) on the occasion of its forty-fifth anniversary and to recognize March 2026 as Louisiana Crimestoppers Month.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**Introduction of House Bills
and Joint Resolutions**

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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 958—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT
AN ACT

Relative to the appropriation of monies out of the state general fund to be used to pay the consent judgment captioned "Charles E. Parker versus Taylor-Seidenbach, Inc., et al" between the state of Louisiana, through the Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College through Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, University Hospital, and Charles E. Parker; to provide for an effective date, and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 959—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT
AN ACT

Relative to the appropriation of monies out of the state general fund to be used to pay the consent judgment captioned "Gaetano J. Montana. versus Eagle, Inc., et al" between the state of Louisiana, through the Board of Supervisors of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College through Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, University Hospital, and Gaetano J. Montana, Jr., Angele Montana, and Yvette Montana, individually and on behalf of decedent Gaetano J. Montana; to provide for an effective date, and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 960—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT
AN ACT

Relative to the appropriation of monies out of the state general fund to be used to pay the consent judgment captioned "Milton G. Brady versus The McCarty Corporation, et al" between the state of Louisiana, through the Board of Supervisors of Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College, and Carolyn Abbott Brady, Ashley Brady, Chad Brady, and Alaine Brady Fayard; to provide for an effective date, and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 961—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:1717, relative to ad valorem tax; to extend eligibility to certain trusts for the ad valorem tax exemption for property owners who are at least sixty-five years of age or older; to provide for certain requirements; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE BILL NO. 962—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:933, relative to the administration of medication by a nurse; to provide for qualifications to administer reconstituted medication; to provide for the

administration of certain medications; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on
Civil Law and Procedure

March 10, 2026

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 78, by Wyble
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 112, by Bayham
Reported favorably. (8-0)

House Bill No. 190, by Schlegel
Reported favorably. (9-0)

House Bill No. 427, by Schlegel
Reported favorably. (8-0)

NICHOLAS MUSCARELLO, JR.
Chair

Report of the Committee on
Transportation, Highways and Public Works

March 10, 2026

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 148, by Bagley
Reported favorably. (15-0)

House Bill No. 149, by Glorioso
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 221, by Echols
Reported favorably. (12-2)

House Bill No. 346, by Schamerhorn
Reported favorably. (15-0)

House Bill No. 354, by Ventrella
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 355, by Wyble
Reported with amendments. (14-0)

House Bill No. 356, by Zeringue
Reported favorably. (15-0)

House Bill No. 358, by Berault
Reported favorably. (9-0)

House Bill No. 384, by Berault
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 657, by Bryant
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 675, by Riser
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 716, by Bayham
Reported favorably. (15-0)

RYAN BOURRIQUE
Chair

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 RESOLUTION NO. 2—
BY REPRESENTATIVE GREEN
A RESOLUTION

To demand transparency and accountability from the United States Department of Justice and all appropriate federal agencies through the prompt public release of all records and materials related to the investigation, prosecution, and associated matters involving Jeffrey Epstein and any individuals or entities connected to Jeffrey Epstein, subject only to narrowly tailored redactions strictly necessary to protect victims and survivors.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3—
BY REPRESENTATIVE NEWELL
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Housing Corporation to work in conjunction with the division of administration and the State Civil Service Commission to study the feasibility of creating a housing and rental assistance program using vacant state-owned property to support cost-burdened or severely cost-burdened renter households of state government employees.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER
A RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of the Honorable Joe R. Salter, former Speaker of the House.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. M. Johnson, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 5—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER
A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Derek Scott.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. McFarland, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 6—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER
A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Leroy Cavalier.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. M. Johnson, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 7—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
A RESOLUTION

To commend the pivotal contributions made by Bernardo de Gálvez and other Hispanic people to the success of the American Revolution.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bayham, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU
A RESOLUTION

To designate Monday, March 23, 2026, as CODOFIL Day at the state capitol.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Beaulieu, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 9—
BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the government of the United Kingdom to continue its commitment to the foundational principles of individual liberties as enshrined in the Magna Carta and other historic British documents and to encourage the preservation of its heritage.

Read by title.

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

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6—
BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to study intestate succession proceedings and mechanisms to disinherit successors without a will and to report its findings to the Legislature of Louisiana no later than January 4, 2027.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Justice to compile and publish an annual report regarding anonymized outcomes for juveniles who are subject to electronic monitoring conditions in Louisiana.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Drew Brees for being elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bayham, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Charles James "Charlie" Kirk, co-founder of Turning Point USA.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bayham, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WILDER AND DICKERSON AND SENATOR HODGES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana High School Athletic Association to recognize dance and cheer as sanctioned sports for the purpose of interscholastic athletic competition and all other opportunities available to participants in sanctioned sports.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express support for the continued operations of the Louisiana National Guard at Camp Beauregard and to commend the accomplishments of the Louisiana National Guard Youth Challenge Program.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the American Shore and Beach Preservation Association on the occasion of its one hundredth anniversary.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Zeringue, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**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. 957—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARRIER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:706(A)(2), relative to prisoners; to provide relative to the transfer of prisoners; to provide relative to notification procedures; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Miller, 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. 12—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER

A RESOLUTION

To recognize March 17, 2026, as Nurse Practitioner Day at the state capitol.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 13—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Dorothy Prevost, the last living matriarch of the 1960 New Orleans public school desegregation movement.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Bourriaque, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to meet on Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 12:30 p.m. instead of 9:00 a.m., and consider the following legislative instruments that were not listed on the weekly committee schedule as required by House Rule 14.23:

House Bill Nos. 129 and 130

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 3:22 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 2:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, March 11, 2026.

MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House

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

Committee Meeting Notices

The following committees posted notices as follows:

Committee on Appropriations

Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Location: Committee Room 5

Remarks:

Discussion of the FY 26-27 Executive Budget for the following:

- Department of Revenue
- Correction Services
- Public Safety Services
- Youth Services

Any interested person or any committee member may file with the committee a prepared statement concerning a specific instrument or matter under consideration by the committee or concerning any matter within the committee's scope of authority, and the committee records shall reflect receipt of such statement and the date and time thereof.

NOTE: Statements may be filed with the House Committee on Appropriations via e-mail at h-app@legis.la.gov. Statements submitted, and the information contained therein, are public records and subject to disclosure pursuant to public records laws.

Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the House Committee on Appropriations via email at h-app@legis.la.gov at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.

JACK G. MCFARLAND
Chair

Committee on Commerce

Will meet at: 9:30 a.m.

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Location: Committee Room 1

Remarks:

HB 207 HENRY, CHANCE LICENSING Provides relative to the Louisiana Auctioneers Licensing Board

HB 267 THOMAS, POLLY COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS Provides with respect to the

membership of the Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors

HB 300 RISER BANKS/BANKING Provides with respect to the appraisal threshold for bank owned property

HB 464 RISER UTILITIES Provides relative to mandatory reporting of damage to utilities

HB 618 MCKINNON ECONOMIC DEVELOP/DEPT Increases certain fees assessed by Louisiana Economic Development

HB 853 MCKINNON ADVERTISING Provides relative to misleading solicitations by nongovernment entities

Adopt the committee minutes from the 2025 Regular Session dated April 15, April 22, April 28, May 5, May 6, May 12, May 13, May 19, May 27, and June 1.

Adopt the committee minutes from the 2024 Interim Session dated March 7 and August 12.

Adopt the subcommittee meeting minutes from the 2024 Interim Session on the Study of the Louisiana Music Industry of the House Committee on Commerce dated November 18 and December 12.

Any interested person or any committee member may file with the committee a prepared statement concerning a specific instrument or matter under consideration by the committee or concerning any matter within the committee's scope of authority, and the committee records shall reflect receipt of such statement and the date and time thereof.

NOTE: Statements may be filed with the House Committee on Commerce via e-mail at h-com@legis.la.gov. Statements submitted, and the information contained therein, are public records and subject to disclosure pursuant to public records laws.

Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the House Committee on Commerce via e-mail at h-com@legis.la.gov at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.

DARYL ANDREW DESHOTEL
Chair

Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Will meet at: 12:30 p.m. (TBA - Time Change)

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Location: Committee Room 3

Remarks:

HB 129 WALTERS (TBA) HIGHWAYS Designates a portion of Louisiana Highway 173 as the "Dr. Harry Blake, Sr. Memorial Highway" (Subject to Rule Suspension)

HB 130 WALTERS (TBA) HIGHWAYS Redesignates the elevated portion of Interstate 220 in Caddo Parish as the "American Legion Post No. 14" (Subject to Rule Suspension)

HB 331 MACK MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES Creates the Louisiana GOP special prestige license plate

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- HB 428 BAYHAM MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES**
Creates the "Louisiana State University Baseball National Champions 2025" specialty license plate
- HB 506 CHASSION MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES**
Creates certain special prestige license plates
- HB 587 DICKERSON MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES**
Creates the Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome specialty license plate
- HB 629 LYONS MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES** Creates a license plate for the Krewé of Athena
- HB 801 MARTINEZ MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES**
Creates the "Classic Black" specialty license plate
- HB 854 WALTERS MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES**
Creates certain specialty license plates
- HB 891 LANDRY, JACOB MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES** Provides for wildlife special prestige license plates

Any interested person or any committee member may file with the committee a prepared statement concerning a specific instrument or matter under consideration by the committee or concerning any matter within the committee's scope of authority, and the committee records shall reflect receipt of such statement and the date and time thereof.

NOTE: Statements may be filed with the House Transportation, Highways and Public Works via e-mail at h-thpw@legis.la.gov. Statements submitted, and the information contained therein, are public records and subject to disclosure pursuant to public record laws.

Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the House Transportation, Highways and Public Works Committee via email at h-thpw@legis.la.gov at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.

RYAN BOURRIAQUE
Chair

Weekly Committee Schedules

The following committees posted weekly committee schedules as follows:

Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs
Thursday, March 19, 2026

NO MEETING IS SCHEDULED

LEGISLATIVE INSTRUMENTS MAY BE DELETED (DOES NOT REQUIRE HOUSE RULES SUSPENSION) OR ADDED (REQUIRES HOUSE RULES SUSPENSION) PRIOR TO THE MEETING DATE. (HOUSE RULES 14.23 AND 14.24) SEE THE DAILY NOTICE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS POSTED PRIOR TO MEETING DATE.

FOY BRYAN GADBERRY
Chair