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**SIXTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**Fifty-second Regular Session of the Legislature  
Under the Adoption of the  
Constitution of 1974**

House of Representatives  
State Capitol  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Thursday, April 9, 2026

The House of Representatives was called to order at 1:06 P.M., by the Honorable Mike Johnson, Speaker Pro Tempore 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	McMahan
Amedee	Farnum	McMakin
Bacala	Firment	Melerine
Bagley	Fisher	Mena
Bamburg	Fontenot	Miller
Bayham	Freeman	Moore
Beaullieu	Freiberg	Murray
Berault	Gadberry	Muscarello
Billings	Galle	Newell
Boudreaux	Geymann	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Glorioso	Owen
Boyd	Green	Phelps
Boyer	Hebert	Riser
Brass	Henry, C.	Sawyer
Braud	Henry, D.	Schamerhorn
Broussard	Hilferty	Schlegel
Bryant	Horton	Spell
Butler	Illg	St. Blanc
Carlson	Jackson	Stagni
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Tarver
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Taylor
Carter, R.	Jordan	Thomas
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thompson
Carver	Knox	Turner
Chassion	LaCombe	Ventrella
Chenevert	LaFleur	Villio
Coates	Landry, M.	Walters
Cox	Landry, T.	Wilder
Crews	Larvadain	Wright
Deshotel	Lyons	Wyble
Dewitt	Mack	Young
Dickerson	Marcelle	Zeringue

Domangue  
Echols  
Total - 103

Martinez  
McCormick

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

**Prayer**

Prayer was offered by Elder Reginal Tate of Victory Gospel Chapel in San Antonio.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Rep. Mena 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 April 8, 2026, was adopted.

**Petitions, Memorials, and  
Communications**

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

**Message from the Senate**

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

April 9, 2026

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. 44  
Returned without amendments

Respectfully submitted,  
YOLANDA J. DIXON  
Secretary of the Senate

**Message from the Senate**

**ASKING CONCURRENCE IN  
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS**

April 9, 2026

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

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted and asks your concurrence in the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

Senate Concurrent Resolution Nos. 19 and 26

Respectfully submitted,  
YOLANDA J. DIXON  
Secretary of the Senate

**Senate Concurrent Resolutions  
Lying Over**

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions contained in the message were taken up and acted upon as follows:

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—**  
BY SENATOR MILLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana State Law Institute to study the use of trusts with extended durations and to report its findings and any recommendations for revisions to the Louisiana Trust Code and applicable Louisiana laws to the Legislature of Louisiana.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 26—**  
BY SENATOR MIZELL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of John Norman Gallaspy.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Bacala, 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**

**SENATE BILLS**

April 9, 2026

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. 102, 222, 255, 270, 273, 314, 418 and 420

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 placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

**SENATE BILL NO. 102—**  
BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 32:1253.1, relative to the Louisiana Motor Vehicle Commission Law; to provide for a private right of action for trade associations; to provide for standing and remedies; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 222—**  
BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 2 of Title 28 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 28:301 through 308, relative to Medicaid behavioral health services; to provide for administrative requirements; to provide for certain behavioral health telehealth services; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 255—**  
BY SENATOR SELDERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2162(D)(2)(a)(i), relative to psychosocial rehabilitation services; to provide for educational requirements to provide PSR services; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 270—**  
BY SENATOR JACKSON-ANDREWS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1046.5, relative to medical marijuana; to allow for the use of medical marijuana by a terminally ill patient in a healthcare facility; to provide for requirements; to provide for prohibitions; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 273—**  
BY SENATOR ABRAHAM

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:2009.26, relative to inpatient licensed facilities; to provide for hospice care; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for definitions; to provide for patient care plans; to provide for facility requirements; to provide for Louisiana Department of Health oversight; to provide for violations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 314—**  
BY SENATOR SELDERS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:2724(B)(2)(a), relative to community psychiatric support and treatment services; to provide for limited scope certified social worker license to provide CPST services; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 418—**  
BY SENATOR SEABAUGH

## AN ACT

To provide relative to state highways; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 174 in Sabine Parish as "Dick and Jacque Shuford Memorial Highway"; to provide for location and placement of signage; to provide for restrictions on costs of materials to the department; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**SENATE BILL NO. 420—**  
BY SENATOR HENSGENS

## AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 48:2094(C) and 2094(H) and to enact R.S. 48:2094(C)(8) and (9), relative to the Lafayette Metropolitan Expressway Commission; to provide for commissioners of the Lafayette Metropolitan Expressway Commission; to provide for the boundary and jurisdiction of the commission; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

**Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment**

April 9, 2026

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. 94—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES

## A RESOLUTION

To designate November 16, 2026, as Sanfilippo Syndrome Awareness Day in Louisiana.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 95—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARRIER

## A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 8, 2026, as Alzheimer's and Related Dementias Awareness Day in Louisiana.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 97—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TERRY LANDRY

## A RESOLUTION

To designate Monday, April 13, 2026, as Knock Knock Children's Museum Day at the state capitol and to recognize the museum's contributions to early childhood education, family engagement, and economic vitality in Louisiana.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 98—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CHASSION

## A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 8, 2026, as Big Brothers Big Sisters Day at the state capitol.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 99—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON

## A RESOLUTION

To commend Melissa Frost and David Atwood, hosts of The Melissa & David Show on KRRV-FM in Alexandria, Louisiana, on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of their program on April 1, 2026, and to recognize their outstanding contributions to broadcasting and to the citizens of Central Louisiana.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 100—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ADAMS

## A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of Betty Davis King.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 101—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON

## A RESOLUTION

To commend Coca-Cola UNITED for its legacy, economic impact, and commitment to the people and communities of Louisiana and to designate Tuesday, April 7, 2026, as Coca-Cola Day at the state capitol.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 102—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER

## A RESOLUTION

To commend Noreen E. Little on the occasion of her election as national president of Phi Delta Kappa, Incorporated, and to recognize her service, leadership, and contributions to education.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 103—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES WALTERS AND MARCELLE

## A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 8, 2026, as Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Day at the state capitol.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 104—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

## A RESOLUTION

To designate Monday, April 13, 2026, as My Sister's Keeper Day at the state capitol and to commend the Black Women's Health Imperative and the Southern University and A&M College Chapter of My Sister's Keeper for its contributions to uplift, educate, and empower Black women and girls throughout Louisiana and beyond.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 105—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MARTINEZ

## A RESOLUTION

To commend the Youth Legislature of Louisiana and to recognize its exceptional contributions to civic education and leadership development among middle school students in this state.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 106—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN

## A RESOLUTION

To commend the Most Reverend James F. Checchio on becoming the Fifteenth Archbishop of New Orleans.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 107—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILDER

## A RESOLUTION

To commend Justin Wax for being named the 2026 Principal of the Year in Louisiana.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 108—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WILDER

## A RESOLUTION

To commend the Denham Springs High School Robotics Team on winning the FIRST Robotics Pikes Peak Regional Competition.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 109—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

## A RESOLUTION

To commend the Rosepine High School Lady Eagles basketball team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association 2026 Division III Select state championship.

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## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 110—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

### A RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana Tech University Lady Techsters on winning the 2025-2026 Conference USA (CUSA) Women's Basketball regular season championship.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 111—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE NEWELL

### A RESOLUTION

To commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of New Hope Baptist Church.

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.

### **Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Knox, 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. 115—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES KNOX, WILFORD CARTER, AND MILLER

### A RESOLUTION

To designate Wednesday, April 8, 2026, as Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated, Day at the state capitol.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 116—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE

### A RESOLUTION

To commend the Ben's Ford Christian School girls basketball team on winning the Midsouth Association of Independent Schools (MAIS) 2026 Class 3A state championship.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 117—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS JOHNSON

### A RESOLUTION

To commend the Ferriday High School boys basketball team on winning the Louisiana High School Athletic Association 2026 Division IV Non-Select state championship.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

### **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. 112—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY

### A RESOLUTION

To commend Father Anthony M. Bozeman, SSJ, on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination as a priest in the Society of St. Joseph.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Murray, the resolution was adopted.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 113—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS

### A RESOLUTION

To commend and recognize the Martha's Vineyard African-American Film Festival for twenty-four years of Black excellence in film and for its significant contributions to cinema, culture, and education.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Walters, the resolution was adopted.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 114—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK

### A RESOLUTION

To commend Hannah Ray of Livingston, Louisiana, on being named 2026 National Little Miss International Girl Queen.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Mack, the resolution was adopted.

## **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS

### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the legislative auditor to conduct a study of salaries and other compensation authorized by statute for parish assessors and clerks of court and to develop recommendations for means by which to achieve parity between those officials' remuneration and transparency in laws providing for that compensation.

Read by title.

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

## **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate Tuesday, April 14, 2026, as AKA Day at the state capitol and to commend the members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. LaFleur, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

### **Senate Concurrent Resolutions Lying Over**

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

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18—**

BY SENATOR FESI

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of motor vehicles, in coordination with the Department of Transportation and Development and other relevant agencies, to study the differences between Louisiana, Texas, and Mississippi laws and regulations governing commercial driver's licenses and commercial freight hauling operations and to report findings and recommendations to the legislature regarding improving regulatory alignment and cohesiveness amongst the states.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20—**

BY SENATOR WHEAT

**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To memorialize the United States Congress and to urge the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to authorize states to implement a presumption of Medicaid eligibility during redetermination for elderly and disabled beneficiaries and to allow exemption from annual redetermination requirements consistent with reforms enacted by the state of Florida.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

### Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading to be Referred

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 14—**

BY SENATOR PRICE

**AN ACT**

To enact R.S. 11:710.3 and to repeal R.S. 11:710, 710.1, and 710.2, relative to the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; to provide for reemployment of retired teachers; to allow for a retirement benefit while working, subject to conditions; to provide for earning limits; to provide for supplemental benefits; to provide for critical shortages; to provide for reporting and notification requirements; to provide for employee and employer contributions; to provide for service credits; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Retirement.

**SENATE BILL NO. 76—**

BY SENATOR MILLER

**AN ACT**

To enact Civil Code Art. 138, relative to the modification of child custody; to provide with respect to the evidentiary burdens required to modify child custody; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 118—**

BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 14:98.1(A)(1) and (A)(1)(b) and the introductory paragraph of 98.2(A)(1) and (A)(1)(b) and to enact R.S. 14:98.1(D), relative to driving offenses; to provide relative to first and second offenses of operating a vehicle while impaired; to provide for probation conditions; to provide for substance use disorder screening; to provide for diagnosis and treatment; 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.

**SENATE BILL NO. 142—**

BY SENATOR REESE

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3351(A)(2), relative to postsecondary education management boards; to provide the use of and conditions on all amounts received by public postsecondary education institutions from the Board of Regents Support Fund; to require public postsecondary education management boards to continue to comply with the initial conditions on the receipt of such amounts; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 156—**

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:32(C)(1) and (2), relative to negligent homicide; to provide relative to penalties; to increase the maximum term of imprisonment for negligent homicide under certain circumstances; 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.

**SENATE BILL NO. 170—**

BY SENATOR PRESSLY

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:3158, relative to the Caddo-Bossier Parishes Port Commission; to provide for confirmation of commissioners by the Senate; to provide for requirements for commissioners; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

**SENATE BILL NO. 197—**

BY SENATOR MORRIS

**AN ACT**

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:312.1(D), relative to judges on the court of appeal; to provide for the number of judges on the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal; to reduce the number of judges serving on the fourth circuit; to provide for implementation of the reduced number of judges; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 234—**  
BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:3384, relative to postsecondary education institutions; to require a letter-based grading scale for medical doctorate degrees; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 258—**  
BY SENATOR LAMBERT

AN ACT

To enact Children's Code Art. 951.1, relative to juvenile traffic violations; to provide for definitions; 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.

**SENATE BILL NO. 287—**  
BY SENATOR REESE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 6:1389(B), 1393.1(E)(6), (F)(4), the introductory paragraph of 1393.1(H), and 1393.1(H)(1), (2), (3), and (6) and to enact R.S. 6:1389 (C), (D), and (E) and 1393.1(E)(7), relative to virtual currency; to provide for virtual currency kiosks; to provide for cancellation and refund of transactions; to provide for reporting and disclosures; to provide for terms, conditions, and procedures; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

**SENATE BILL NO. 288—**  
BY SENATOR REESE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:587(A)(1)(b) and (F)(1), 587.2(B), and 587.7(B)(3), relative to criminal history background checks; to provide for the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information; to provide for the duty to provide certain information to the Louisiana State Board of Private Security Examiners and employers; to provide for the release of expunged criminal history record information under certain circumstances; 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.

**SENATE BILL NO. 313—**  
BY SENATOR JACKSON-ANDREWS

AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 14.1(D), relative to electronic filings in criminal matters; to prohibit additional fees from being assessed; 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.

**SENATE BILL NO. 315—**  
BY SENATOR REESE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2316, relative to professional service contract exemptions; to provide for thresholds; to provide for contract requirements; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**SENATE BILL NO. 393—**  
BY SENATOR OWEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1472.2(4), (9.1), and (18), 1472.3(E)(3)(b), and 1472.9(A) and to enact R.S. 40:1472.2(7.1), relative to the regulation of explosives; to provide for definitions; to provide for licensing; to provide for civil penalties; 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.

**SENATE BILL NO. 396—**  
BY SENATOR CLOUD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Art. 906(B)(1) and (3) and to enact Children's Code Art. 906(B)(5), relative to the office of juvenile justice; to require review hearings via secure video conference; to reclassify detention centers; to provide for confidential virtual conferencing with the child's counsel of record; 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.

**SENATE BILL NO. 426** (Substitute of Senate Bill No. 168 by Senator Stine)—  
BY SENATOR STINE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3386.1, 3386.2(A), the introductory paragraph of 3386.2(B), and 3386.2(B)(5) and (6), the introductory paragraph of 3386.2(F)(1), and 3386.2(G), 3387.1(A)(2)(b) through (d), 3387.2(A)(2)(b) through (d), 3387.3(B)(4), 3387.6(E)(1) and (3) and (I), 3388.3, 3390.3(A)(11) and (B)(4) and 3390.6(A) and (B)(6) through (8) and R.S. 40:1203.3(E) and to enact R.S. 37:3386.2(B)(7) through (10) and (H), 3387.15, 3387.16, 3387.17, 3388.4, and 3390.6(B)(9), relative to the Addictive Disorder Regulatory Authority; to provide for the board's authority; to provide for board membership; to provide for definitions; to provide for scope of practice; to provide for peer support specialists; to provide for peer support specialist associates; to provide for peer support specialist supervisors; to provide for criminal background checks; to provide for renewals; to provide for fees; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

**SENATE BILL NO. 427** (Substitute of Senate Bill No. 311 by Senator Pressly)—  
BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:2351, 2352, 2354, 2354.1, 2354.2, 2354.7, 2354.8, and 2357(A) and (F) and to enact R.S. 17:2351.1 and 2354.10 through 2354.14, relative to anatomical gifts; to provide requirements and methods for executing an anatomical gift; to provide for definitions; to provide for authority to execute or revoke an anatomical gift; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

**House and House Concurrent Resolutions  
Reported by Committee**

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions reported by committee were taken up and acted upon as follows:

**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.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

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

**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. 76—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:715(C) and to enact R.S. 15:715(D) and (E), relative to notification of releases from parish prisons or jails; to provide for notification of improperly released inmates; to provide for a definition; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Original House Bill No. 76 by Representative Mandie Landry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, change "R.S. 15:715(D)" to "R.S. 15:715(D) and (E)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 6, change "R.S. 15:715(D) is" to "R.S. 15:715(D) and (E) are"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, at the beginning of line 11, change "C." to "C.(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 13, after "time" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line 14, delete "facility" and insert "it is determined that an inmate has been improperly released from that facility."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 14, after "immediately" and before "notify" insert a comma "," and "or as soon as practicable."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, at the beginning of line 16, change "(1)" to "(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, at the beginning of line 17, change "(2)" to "(b)"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 1, delete lines 18 through 20 in their entirety and insert:

"(c) The district attorney.

"(d) Local media outlets within the parish.

"(2) The provisions of this Subsection apply to the improper release of an inmate who has been detained or incarcerated on the basis of an arrest or conviction for a crime of violence as defined in R.S. 14:2(B) that is a felony."

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 5, after "error" delete the comma "," and "mismanagement of the prison or jail."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, after line 10, add the following:

"E. The notification provided to the local media outlet is at the discretion of the sheriff, highest ranking employee of the sheriff's office, or the person acting on behalf of the sheriff."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 84—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:2(B)(63) and Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 890.1(D)(35) and 890.3(C)(28), relative to crimes of violence; to designate the crime of hit-and-run driving under certain circumstances as a crime of violence; to provide relative to sentencing for crimes of violence; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported by substitute by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The substitute was read by title as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1234 (Substitute for House Bill No. 84 by Representative Knox)—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:100(C)(2) and (3), relative to driving offenses; to provide relative to the crime of hit-and-run driving; to provide relative to pedestrians and bicyclists; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Villio, the substitute was adopted and became House Bill No. 1234 by Rep. Knox, on behalf of the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice, as a substitute for House Bill No. 84 by Rep. Knox.

Under the rules, lies over in the same order of business.

HOUSE BILL NO. 132—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE GLORIOSO

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:33 and to enact R.S. 14:34.2(B)(4) and (D), relative to battery of a police officer; to provide that intentionally directing sound at a person in close proximity under circumstances capable of causing pain or hearing injury constitutes battery; to provide for definitions; to provide an enhanced penalty when two or more persons act in concert to commit battery of a police officer; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Original House Bill No. 132 by Representative Glorioso

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "To" and before "relative" delete "enact R.S. 14:34.2(A)(4), (B)(4), (D), and (E)," and insert "amend and reenact R.S. 14:33 and to enact R.S. 14:34.2(B)(4) and (D),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, change "police officer" to "person"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 4, change "force or violence" to "battery"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 6, after "concert" and before the semicolon ";" insert "to commit battery of a police officer"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 8, after "Section 1." and before "are" delete "R.S. 14:34.2(A)(4), (B)(4), (D), and (E)" and insert "R.S. 14:33 is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 14:34.2(B)(4) and (D)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

"§33. Battery defined

Battery is the intentional use of force or violence upon the person of another; or the intentional administration of a poison or other noxious liquid or substance to another; or the intentional directing of sound at another, in close proximity to another's ear or head, under circumstances in which the sound is capable of causing physical pain, hearing impairment, or bodily injury, and in such a manner that a reasonable person would foresee that the conduct would cause physical pain, hearing impairment, or bodily injury.

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AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, delete lines 11 through 18 in their entirety and on page 2, delete lines 1 through 3 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, delete lines 20 through 27 in their entirety and at the beginning of line 28, change "E." to "D."

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

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 181—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 24:513(Q) and R.S. 47:1508(B)(44), relative to Medicaid program and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program integrity; to authorize the Louisiana Department of Revenue to share state income tax return data with the legislative auditor for certain limited purposes; to authorize the legislative auditor to utilize such data for purposes of Medicaid and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program fraud detection and prevention; to provide for interagency agreements relative to sharing of data; to provide for an effective date; 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. 181 by Representative Bacala

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "program" and before "integrity;" insert "and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, after "Medicaid" and before "fraud" insert "and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 16, after "Medicaid" and before "eligibility" insert "and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 17, after "Medicaid" and before "and fulfilling" delete "program," and insert "program and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program,"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 8, after "Medicaid" and before "eligibility" insert "and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 9, after "Medicaid" delete "program," and insert "program and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program,"

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 210—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE  
AN ACT

To provide relative to the applicability of R.S. 42:1111(C)(6) as enacted by Act No. 492 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature; to provide for retroactivity; 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. 210 by Representative Melerine

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the end of line 11, insert the following:

"Any member of a school board or parish or municipal governing authority who prior to June 5, 2024, was employed with a person that had or was seeking a contractual or other business or financial relationship with the member's governmental entity or an agency under the jurisdiction or supervision of the member's governmental entity shall not be required to comply with the disclosure requirements in R.S. 42:1114 for such employment. However, a person shall be required to file a disclosure for any employment on or after June 5, 2024, as required by R.S. 42:1111(C)(6)."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 250—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:1124.2(C)(9)(e) and 1124.2.1(C)(7)(a) and to enact R.S. 42:1114(F) and 1114.3(F), relative to financial disclosure requirements; to provide for the disclosure requirements for individuals serving on certain boards and commissions; to provide for the disclosure requirements for

immediate family members of such individuals; 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. 250 by Representative Turner

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 13, after "family of" and before "member" delete "a" and insert "an appointed"

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 265—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY  
AN ACT

To amend R.S. 14:283(C) and R.S. 15:541(24)(a), to enact R.S. 14:283(A)(4), (D), and (E), and to repeal R.S. 14:283(F) through (H), relative to video voyeurism; to provide for additional conduct that constitutes the crime of video voyeurism; to provide for exceptions; to provide for redesignation of certain citations; to provide relative to sex offender registration; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Original House Bill No. 265 by Representative Mandie Landry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, change "enact R.S. 14:283(A)(4)" to "amend R.S. 14:283(C) and R.S. 15:541(24)(a), to enact R.S. 14:283(A)(4), (D), and (E), and to repeal R.S. 14:283(F) through (H)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "voyeurism;" and before "and" insert "to provide for exceptions; to provide for redesignation of certain citations; to provide relative to sex offender registration;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 5, change "R.S. 14:283(A)(4) is hereby enacted" to "R.S. 14:283(C) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 14:283(A)(4), (D), and (E) are hereby enacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, after line 14, add the following:

~~C. The provisions of this Section shall~~ does not apply to any of the following:

(1) Any law enforcement officer in his official capacity while in the performance of his official duties.

(2) ~~the~~ The transference of such images by a telephone company, cable television company, or any of its affiliates, an Internet provider, or commercial online service provider, or to the carrying, broadcasting, or performing of related activities in providing telephone, cable television, Internet, or commercial online services.

(3) Any bona fide news or public interest broadcast, website, video, report, or event and shall not be construed to affect the rights of any news-gathering organization.

~~F.D. A violation of the provisions Paragraph (A)(1), (2), or (3) of this Section shall be~~ is considered a sex offense as defined in R.S. 15:541. Whoever commits the crime of video voyeurism ~~shall be~~ in violation of Paragraph (A)(1), (2), or (3) of this Section is required to register as a sex offender as provided for in Chapter 3-B of Title 15 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

~~G.E. For the~~ purposes of this Section, "unmanned aircraft system" means an unmanned, powered aircraft that does not carry a human operator, can be autonomous or remotely piloted or operated, and can be expendable or recoverable.

~~H. This Section shall not apply to any bona fide news or public interest broadcast, website, video, report, or event and shall not be construed to affect the rights of any news-gathering organization.~~

Section 2. R.S. 15:541(24)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§541. Definitions

For the purposes of this Chapter, the definitions of terms in this Section shall apply:

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(24)(a) "Sex offense" means deferred adjudication, adjudication withheld, or conviction for the perpetration or attempted perpetration of or conspiracy to commit human trafficking when prosecuted under the provisions of R.S. 14:46.2(B)(2), R.S. 14:46.3 (trafficking of children for sexual purposes), R.S. 14:89 (crime against nature), R.S. 14:89.1 (aggravated crime against nature), R.S. 14:89.2(B)(3) (crime against nature by solicitation), R.S. 14:80 (felony carnal knowledge of a juvenile), R.S. 14:81 (indecent behavior with juveniles), R.S. 14:81.1 (pornography involving juveniles) which occurred prior to August 1, 2025, R.S. 14:81.2 (molestation of a juvenile or a person with a physical or mental disability), R.S. 14:81.3 (computer-aided solicitation of a minor), R.S. 14:81.4 (prohibited sexual conduct between an educator and student), R.S. 14:82.1 (prostitution; persons under eighteen), R.S. 14:82.2(C)(4) or (5) (purchase of commercial sexual activity), R.S. 14:83(B)(2) or (3) (soliciting for prostitutes), R.S. 14:92(A)(7) (contributing to the delinquency of juveniles), R.S. 14:93.5 (sexual battery of persons with infirmities), R.S. 14:106(A)(5) (obscenity by solicitation of a person under the age of seventeen), R.S. 14:283(A)(1), (2), or (3) (video voyeurism), R.S. 14:41 (rape), R.S. 14:42 (aggravated or first degree rape), R.S. 14:42.1 (forcible or second degree rape), R.S. 14:43 (simple or third degree rape), R.S. 14:43.1 (sexual battery), R.S. 14:43.2 (second degree sexual battery), R.S. 14:43.3 (oral sexual battery), R.S. 14:43.5 (intentional exposure to HIV), a second or subsequent conviction of R.S. 14:283.1 (voyeurism), or a second or subsequent conviction of R.S. 14:89.3 (sexual abuse of an animal), committed on or after June 18, 1992, or committed prior to June 18, 1992, if the person, as a result of the offense, is under the custody of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections on or after June 18,

1992. A conviction for any offense provided in this definition includes a conviction for the offense under the laws of another state, or military, territorial, foreign, tribal, or federal law which is equivalent to an offense provided for in this Chapter, unless the tribal court or foreign conviction was not obtained with sufficient safeguards for fundamental fairness and due process for the accused as provided by the federal guidelines adopted pursuant to the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006.

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Section 3. R.S. 14:283(F) through (H) are hereby repealed in their entirety."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 275—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:34.9(I) and 35.3(I), relative to battery of a dating partner and domestic abuse battery; to provide for penalties when a child is present; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Original House Bill No. 275 by Representative Boyd

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, delete "R.S. 14:35.3(I)" and insert "R.S. 14:34.9(I) and 35.3(I)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 2, after "relative to" and before "domestic" insert "battery of a dating partner and"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 5, delete "R.S. 14:35.3(I) is" and insert "R.S. 34.9(I) and 35.3(I) are"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

"§34.9. Battery of a dating partner

\* \* \*

I. This Subsection shall be cited as the "Dating Partner Abuse Child Endangerment Law". Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, when the state proves, in addition to the elements of the crime as set forth in Subsection A of this Section, that a minor child thirteen years of age or younger was present at the residence or any other scene at the time of the commission of the offense, the offender, in addition to any other penalties imposed pursuant to this Section, shall be imprisoned at hard labor for not more than three years: as follows:

(1) For a first offense, not less than one year nor more than three years at hard labor.

(2) For a second or subsequent offense, not less than three years nor more than six years at hard labor.

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AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, delete lines 14 and 15 in their entirety and insert the following:

"be imprisoned at hard labor for not more than three years: as follows:

(1) For a first offense, not less than one year nor more than three years at hard labor.

(2) For a second or subsequent offense, not less than three years nor more than six years at hard labor."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 291—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1828(D) and (E) and to enact R.S. 22:1828(F), relative to health insurance; to provide for the payment of claims; to prohibit adverse actions by insurers; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Insurance.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 322—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.12.1(F) and to enact R.S. 15:574.12.1(G), relative to records of testimony provided at certain hearings of the Board of Pardons and committee on parole; to prohibit the assessment of certain fees and costs; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 342—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES KNOX, BROUSSARD, CARPENTER, CARVER,  
EDMONSTON, FREIBERG, TERRY LANDRY, AND TAYLOR  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:1946(B)(3), relative to special education; to provide for special education due process hearings; to provide that local education agencies shall have the burden of proof in such hearings relative to the appropriateness of a student's current or proposed placement or program; to provide for how the burden of proof shall be met; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 457—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX  
AN ACT

To enact Part IV of Chapter 3 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:581, relative to housing standards for organizations providing services to individuals experiencing homelessness; to provide for duties of the Louisiana Department of Health; to provide for the duties of the office of the fire marshal; to provide for the promulgation of rules; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Original House Bill No. 457 by Representative Knox

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 6, after "and" delete the remainder of the line and insert "to provide for related matters."

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

Under the rules, the above bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 475—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:22.1, relative to artificial intelligence; to require a healthcare professional to disclose to a patient the use of certain software; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Original House Bill No. 475 by Representative Berault

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 3 in its entirety and insert "to disclose to a patient the use of certain software;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 7, change "prohibited uses" to "disclosure"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 8, after "shall" delete the remainder of the line and insert "verbally disclose the use of any recording device, software, or service to"

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## AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the beginning of line 9, delete "from"

## AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 10, after "intelligence.", delete the remainder of the line.

## AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, delete lines 11 and 12 in their entirety

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

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

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 477—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1049.1 and Part IX of Chapter 5-E of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1259.11, and to repeal R.S. 22:1049, relative to health insurance; to require coverage for prosthetic and custom orthotic devices and associated services; to establish criteria for medical necessity determinations; to delineate coverage standards, encompassing multiple devices, materials, components, repair, and replacement; to provide requirements for prior authorization and cost-sharing; to provide nondiscrimination provisions; to provide for network adequacy standards; to set reporting requirements; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported by substitute by the Committee on Insurance.

The substitute was read by title as follows:

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1235** (Substitute for House Bill No. 477 by Representative Hebert)—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1049 and to enact Part IX of Chapter 5-E of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1259.11, relative to health insurance; to require coverage for prosthetic and orthotic devices and associated services; to establish criteria for medical necessity determinations; to delineate coverage standards, encompassing multiple devices, materials, components, repair, and replacement; to provide requirements for prior authorization and cost-sharing; to provide nondiscrimination provisions; to provide for network adequacy standards; to set reporting requirements; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Firment, the substitute was adopted and became House Bill No. 1235 by Rep. Hebert, on behalf of the Committee on Insurance, as a substitute for House Bill No. 477 by Rep. Hebert.

Under the rules, lies over in the same order of business.

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 486—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES SPELL, KNOX, AND MCKAKIN  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(24) and to enact R.S. 37:2354(H) and Part II of Chapter 28 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 37:2371, relative to the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact;

to provide for fees for psychologists utilizing the compact; to provide for the purpose of the compact; to provide for definitions; to provide for home state licensure; to provide for the compact privilege to practice telepsychology; to provide for temporary compact authority to practice in person; to provide for disciplinary actions; to provide for communication of information between compact states; to establish the compact commission; to provide for the duties of the compact commission; to provide for the promulgation of rules; to provide for oversight, dispute resolution, and enforcement of certain provisions; to provide for construction and severability; to provide for an exception from Public Records Law; 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 Engrossed House Bill No. 486 by Representative Spell

## AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 32, line 5, change "January 1, 2027." to "January 1, 2028."

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

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

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 616—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 24:513(Q) and Part IV of Chapter 3 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:581, relative to homelessness; to provide for oversight of publicly funded homeless service providers; to provide for the duties of the auditor; to require homeless service providers to submit certain documentation upon request; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

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

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 635—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES HORTON AND EDMONSTON AND SENATOR HODGES  
AN ACT

To enact Part IV-A of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 14:391 through 391.3, and R.S. 40:2405.10, relative to offenses affecting organized government; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for definitions; to provide for types of conduct that constitute criminal activity; to provide for penalties; to authorize certain training programs; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Original House Bill No. 635 by Representative Horton

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 3, line 9, change "31 CFR 500.306" to "31 CFR 515.306"

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 639—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1463.1(D) and (E) and R.S. 42:1132(D) and to enact R.S. 18:1463.1(F) and (G), relative to required disclosures in telephone campaign communications; to provide for disclosures related to the use of artificial intelligence; to provide for the administration and enforcement of the regulation of telephone campaign communications by the Board of Ethics; 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. 639 by Representative Bayham

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 1, delete lines 2 and 3 and at the beginning of line 4, delete "materials and" and insert the following:

"To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1463.1(D) and (E) and R.S. 42:1132(D) and to enact R.S. 18:1463.1(F) and (G), relative to required disclosures in telephone campaign"

**AMENDMENT NO. 2**

On page 1, line 5, after "intelligence;" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 6 and 7 and insert "to provide for the administration and enforcement of the regulation of telephone campaign communications by the Board of Ethics; and to provide for related matters"

**AMENDMENT NO. 3**

On page 1, delete lines 9 and 10 and insert the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 18:1463.1(D) and (E) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 18:1463.1(F) and (G) are hereby enacted to"

**AMENDMENT NO. 4**

On page 1, delete lines 12 through 19 and delete pages 2 and 3 in their entirety and on page 4, delete lines 1 through 3

**AMENDMENT NO. 5**

On page 4, after line 26 insert the following:

"G. The Board of Ethics shall administer and enforce the provisions of this Section.

Section 2. R.S. 42:1132(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

**§1132. Board of Ethics**

\* \* \*

D. Additional Jurisdiction. The Board of Ethics shall administer and enforce the provisions of R.S. 18:1463.1, R.S. 27:63, 96, 226, 261, 316, and 373, Part III of Chapter I of Title 24 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Part IV of Chapter 1 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Chapter 46 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, and R.S. 47:9072."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 690—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES AMEDEE, EDMONSTON, AND HORTON AND  
SENATOR HODGES

AN ACT

To enact Part XIV of Chapter 1 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 17:410.17 through 410.23, relative to education service providers and vendors of educational products; to prohibit education agencies from contracting with certain prohibited individuals and entities; to provide with respect to foreign adversaries, foreign terrorist organizations, and agents thereof; to provide with respect to the duties of education agencies; to provide for due process; to provide for the suspension of payments; to provide for certain provisions to be included in contracts; to provide relative to the duties and authority of the attorney general; to provide relative to the office of debt recovery; to provide for legislative findings; to provide definitions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 690 by Representative Amedee

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 2, at the end of line 1, delete "terrorists" and insert "terrorist"

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 740—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHENEVERT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:460.81(C) and to enact R.S. 46:460.51(18) and 460.81(E), relative to Medicaid managed care; to provide for independent claim review process; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Original House Bill No. 740 by Representative Chenevert

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 12 in its entirety and insert the following:

"(18) "Coordinated System of Care" or "CSoC" means a program focused on

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 7 after "the" insert "state"

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 757—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:320(J), relative to methods of taking freshwater or saltwater fish; to prohibit the taking of menhaden; to provide for strict liability; to provide for penalties; to provide for a definition; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to Original House Bill No. 757 by Representative Cox

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 16, after "fined" delete the remainder of the line and insert "two thousand five hundred dollars."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 17, after "fined" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 18 through 20 in their entirety and insert "five thousand dollars."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, delete lines 1 through 12 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(c) For a third violation, the violator shall be fined seven thousand five hundred dollars.

(3) For purposes of this Subsection, "person" means a natural person."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 761—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1076.1, relative to the advisory board for rare cancer treatments; to provide for revisions to board composition; to provide for meetings and reporting; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Insurance.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 766—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:999.1, relative to health insurance coverage; to establish guidelines for the coverage of orally administered anti-cancer medications; to ensure parity between orally administered and intravenously administered or injected anti-cancer medications; to impose prohibitions on cost-sharing, utilization management, and copayment adjustment programs; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Insurance to Original House Bill No. 766 by Representative Freeman

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 5, delete lines 1 through 3, in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"(2) The provisions of this Section do not apply to limited benefit health insurance policies or contracts.

(3) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to regulate self-funded employee benefit plans governed by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), except to the extent permitted under federal law."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 774—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1038(C)(1), relative to health insurance; to provide hearing aid coverage for certain individuals; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Insurance to Original House Bill No. 774 by Representative Boyer

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 22:1038(C)(1)" and before "relative" insert a comma ","

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 10, after "twenty-six" and before "and" insert "years of age"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 14, change "individual" to "individual"

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 808—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAHEN  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:43.5 and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 726.1, relative to the crime of intentional exposure to HIV; to provide for elements; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to affirmative defenses; to provide relative to notice for medical conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Original House Bill No. 808 by Representative McMahan

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, delete "and R.S. 15:541(24)(a)" and insert "and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 726.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "HIV;" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line 4, delete "exposure to HIV;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 5, after "defenses;" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of line 6, delete "of intentional transmission of HIV constitutes a sex offense;" and insert "to provide relative to notice for medical conditions;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete lines 10 through 16 in their entirety and insert the following:

"§43.5. Intentional exposure to HIV

A. No person shall intentionally expose another person to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) through ~~through~~ without the knowing and lawful consent of the victim when the offender knew that he was

positive for HIV at the time of the exposure and the contact posed a substantial likelihood of transmission as follows:"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 23, after "transmission," and before "was" insert "disclosed to the victim that the defendant"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, delete lines 3 through 29 in their entirety and delete page 5 in its entirety and insert the following:

"Section 2. Code of Criminal Procedure Article 726.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Art. 726.1. Notice of medical condition

A. If a defendant intends to introduce documents or testimony relating to a medical condition or related treatment on the basis of an affirmative defense, he shall notify the district attorney in writing of such intention and file a copy of the notice with the clerk not later than ten days prior to trial or in a reasonable time as the court may permit. The court may, for cause shown, allow late filing of the notice or grant additional time to the parties to prepare for trial or issue any other orders as may be appropriate. Upon motion of either party, the court shall order that such records be filed under seal. Nothing in this Article shall be construed to relieve a defendant of any obligation imposed pursuant to Article 725.

B. If the defendant fails to provide notice as required by Paragraph A of this Article, the court may exclude the introduction of any documents or testimony of any witness offered by the defendant on the issue of medical condition or related treatment."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 855—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:322(C)(6)(d), relative to use of purse seines; to limit the use of purse seines to water of a certain depth; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 866—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1867.1, relative to the restrictions and prohibitions of pharmacy benefit managers and managed care plans for the reduction of pharmacy reimbursements; to provide for pharmacy benefit managers sanctions; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported by substitute by the Committee on Insurance.

The substitute was read by title as follows:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1236** (Substitute for House Bill No. 866 by Representative Dewitt)—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1868(B) (introductory paragraph), (1), and (2) and (C) and to enact R.S. 22:1868(B)(5), (D), and (E), relative to pharmacy benefit managers; to provide for definitions; to provide for pharmacy reimbursements; to prohibit certain reimbursement cost assignments; to provide for certain prohibitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Firmont, the substitute was adopted and became House Bill No. 1236 by Rep. Dewitt, on behalf of the Committee on Insurance, as a substitute for House Bill No. 866 by Rep. Dewitt.

Under the rules, lies over in the same order of business.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 872**—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:8(160) and 325.5(D), relative to commercial menhaden reduction fishery vessels; to require vessels to use automatic identification systems; to provide definitions; to direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to organize and renumber certain definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to Original House Bill No. 872 by Representative Zeringue

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "325.5" and before "(D)" delete "(Section heading) and"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 7, after "325.5" and before "(D)" delete "(Section heading) and"

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 883**—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHLEGEL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:90.3(B), (C) (introductory paragraph), (1), (9), and (10), and (D) through (K) and to enact R.S. 14:90.3(C)(11) and (12) and (L) through (R) and R.S. 27:19.1 and 19.2, relative to restrictions against illegal online gambling; to provide for penalties for violations thereof; to provide for enforcement; to provide for remedies; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to Original House Bill No. 883 by Representative Schlegel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the end of line 2, delete "and (7) through" and insert "(9), and"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 4, change "(Q)" to "(R)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 8, delete "and (7) through" and insert "(9), and"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 10, change "(Q)" to "(R)"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 4, change "Section," to "Section<sub>2</sub>"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 5, after "anyone" insert "physically located within this state"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, delete lines 8 through 22 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(9) "Merchant payment processor" means an entity that establishes a contractual relationship with a person engaged in the business of gambling by computer for the purpose of processing payment transactions on behalf of such person. A "merchant payment processor" does not include any federally insured financial institution, its subsidiaries or affiliates, or any payment card network."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 23, change "(10)" to "(10)"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, at the end of line 26, insert "A "platform provider" does not include any federally insured financial institution, its subsidiaries or affiliates, or any payment card network."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, line 16, after "licensed entity," delete "financial transaction provider,"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, line 24, change "financial transaction provider" to "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, line 25, after "person" insert "physically located within this state who is"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, line 26, change "financial transaction provider" to "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 3, line 28, change "R.S. 27:19" to "R.S. 27:19.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 4, line 1, change "financial transaction provider" to "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 4, line 4, change "financial transaction provider" to "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 4, line 6, change "financial transaction provider" to "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 4, line 7, change "R.S. 27:19" to "R.S. 27:19.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 4, line 13, change "R.S. 27:19" to "R.S. 27:19.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 4, line 22, change "R.S. 27:19" to "R.S. 27:19.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 4, line 26, change "R.S. 27:19" to "R.S. 27:19.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 4, line 28, change "R.S. 27:19" to "R.S. 27:19.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 6, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

"R. This Section does not apply to any federally insured financial institution, its subsidiaries or affiliates, or any payment card network."

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 6, line 26, change "financial transaction providers" to "merchant payment processors"

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 7, at the end of line 11, delete "financial" and at the beginning of line 12, delete "transaction provider" and insert "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 7, line 17, after "Procedure" insert a period "." and delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 18 through 22 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 7, line 20, change "financial transaction provider" to "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 7, line 28, change "financial transaction provider" to "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 29

On page 9, line 11, change "financial transaction provider" to "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 30

On page 9, at the end of line 26, delete "financial" and at the beginning of line 27, delete "transaction provider" and insert "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 31

On page 10, at the end of line 1, delete "financial transaction" and at the beginning of line 2, delete "provider" and insert "merchant payment processor"

AMENDMENT NO. 32

On page 10, at the end of line 4, delete "financial transaction" and at the beginning of line 5, delete "provider" and insert "merchant payment processor"

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 886—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:325.5(D), relative to commercial menhaden harvest data reporting; to provide an exception to confidentiality for reports received by a legislative committee; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 903—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE ILLG  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:18(A), 257(B), 1019.3(D)(2), 1529(B), 1554(A)(introductory paragraph), 1672(A)(introductory paragraph), 1770, and 1808.8(A)(introductory paragraph), relative to fines issued by the commissioner; to provide for certain limitations; to make technical changes; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Insurance to Original House Bill No. 903 by Representative Illg

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## AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, change "to remove certain" to "to provide for certain"

## AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 17 and 18 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"per insurer, person, or entity, up to one ~~hundred thousand~~ million dollars aggregate for all violations in a calendar year per insurer, person, or entity, ~~when~~ if such violations"

## AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 21, after "any" and before "action" delete "such"

## AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete line 15 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"and up to one ~~hundred thousand~~ one million dollars aggregate for all violations in a calendar"

## AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, at the beginning of line 16, insert "year."

## AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, delete lines 27 and 28 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"per health insurance issuer, up to one ~~hundred thousand~~ million dollars aggregate for all violations in a calendar year per health insurance issuer, ~~when~~ if such violations, in"

## AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, between lines 5 and 6, insert a set of asterisks "\*\*\*\*"

## AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, delete lines 9 and 10 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"for each violation. No fine or fines shall be imposed against a lessor, pursuant to this Section, which aggregates in excess of ~~ten~~ one hundred thousand dollars in any calendar year."

## AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 3, delete lines 15 and 16 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"exceed five hundred dollars for each violation occurring, up to ~~ten~~ one hundred thousand dollars aggregate for all violations in a calendar year per applicant or licensee, or any"

## AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, delete lines 22 and 23 in their entirety and insert in lieu of thereof the following:

"not to exceed five hundred dollars for each violation up to ~~ten~~ one hundred thousand dollars aggregate for all violations in a calendar year, unless a fine is established by separate"

## AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 4, delete line 2 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"up to one ~~hundred thousand~~ million dollars in the aggregate for all violations in a calendar"

## AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 4, at the beginning of line 3, insert "year"

## AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 4, delete lines 9 and 10 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"fine not to exceed five hundred dollars for each violation occurring, up to ~~ten~~ one hundred thousand dollars aggregate for all violations in a calendar year per applicant or"

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

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

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 949—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES

### AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3207(A)(2) and (4) and (B)(1) and (2), 3208(A)(introductory paragraph) and (B), 3211 through 3213, 3216, 3218, and 3219(A)(1), (2), (4), (5), and (8) and (B), to enact R.S. 37:3200(13) and (14), 3207(C) and (D), 3208(C), 3210(E), and 3219(A)(11), and to repeal R.S. 37:3210(B) and 3221, relative to the Louisiana State Radiological Technology Board of Examiners; to provide for definitions; to provide for duties and powers of the board; to provide for qualifications of applicants; to provide for examinations; to provide for licensure; to provide for licensing by reciprocity; to provide for necessity of a license or permit; to provide for a reinstatement of a license or permit; to provide for fees; to provide for discipline; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

### **HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Original House Bill No. 949 by Representative Coates

## AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "(4)" and before "and" delete the comma ","

## AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete line 4 in its entirety and insert "and (8) and (B), to enact R.S. 37:3200(13) and (14), 3207(C) and (D), 3208(C), 3210(E),"

## AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 13, after "(4)" and before "and" delete the comma ","

## AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete line 15 in its entirety and insert "and (B) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 37:3200(13) and (14), 3207(C) and (D), 3208(C)."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 16, delete "3210(E) and (F)," and insert "3210(E)."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, delete lines 1 and 2 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(13) "Limited purpose permit" means a permit issued for a limited purpose in scope as defined by rules adopted by the board authorizing an individual to perform certain radiologic procedures."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, delete lines 9 through 12 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, between lines 1 and 2, insert the following:

"C. The board shall not expand the scope of practice of radiologist assistants or limited purpose permit holders beyond the duties authorized in this Chapter.

D. The board shall not promulgate or adopt rules regulating private radiological technologists including but not limited to educational and credentialing requirements and practice and supervision standards.

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AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 3, delete lines 9 and 10 in their entirety and insert "radiation therapy technology, fusion technology, or nuclear medicine technology, approved by the board in accordance with standards"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, delete lines 12 through 14 in their entirety and insert the following:

"C.(1) Each applicant for a license as a radiologist assistant shall hold a current certification as a registered radiologist assistant from the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

(2) Each applicant for a temporary permit to practice as a radiologist assistant shall have successfully completed an educational program for radiologist assistants approved by the board."

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, line 21, change "the rule." to "rules promulgated by the board."

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, delete lines 22 through 25 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, line 28, change "Radiologic" to "Radiologist"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 4, delete lines 12 through 19 in their entirety and insert the following:

"B. No person, other than a licensed practitioner, dental hygienist, dental assistant, chiropractor's assistant, person who performs diagnostic or therapeutic radiological examination or treatment, or both, in a private office of a physician or in a clinic performing such activities under the direct supervision of a physician, or a radiologic technologist licensed ~~under~~ pursuant to this Chapter, shall use ionizing radiation or equipment emitting or detecting ionizing radiation on humans for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes."

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 5, line 2, change "R.S. 37:3213(F)." to "Subsection E of this Section."

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 5, delete lines 3 through 8 in their entirety and insert "E. A radiologist assistant shall perform advanced imaging procedures specifically authorized by the board only"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 5, line 10, delete "Radiologist assistants" and insert "A radiologist assistant"

AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 5, line 14, after "license" and before "has" insert "or permit"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 5, line 27, after "collect" and before "the" delete "fees"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 6, line 1, after "not" and before "exceed" insert "to"

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 6, delete lines 2 and 3 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(3) A biennial license renewal fee not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars per renewal."

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 6, line 4, after "not" and before "exceed" insert "to"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 6, delete lines 9 and 10 and insert the following:

"(7) A fee for the reinstatement of an expired license of twenty-five dollars per month of expiration not to exceed three hundred dollars."

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 6, line 12, after "not" and before "exceed" insert "to"

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 6, line 17, change "An" to "A"

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 6, line 18, after "not" and before "exceed" insert "to"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 6, delete line 20 in its entirety and insert the following:

"(13) An official licensee mailing list fee not to exceed three hundred dollars per"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 7, delete lines 18 through 21 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(4) Has aided and abetted a person who is not a licensed radiologic technologist or otherwise authorized by this Chapter to perform the duties of a license holder. Has knowingly trained, aided, abetted, or permitted a person who is not licensed, permitted, or otherwise authorized, in accordance with this Chapter, to perform duties requiring a license or permit in accordance with this Chapter."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 962—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:930.1, relative to the administration of medication by a nurse; to provide for administering reconstituted medication; to provide for the authority to administer certain medications; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Original House Bill No. 962 by Representative Miller

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 2 in its entirety and insert "To enact R.S. 37:930.1, relative to the administration of medication by a nurse;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 3 and 4 in their entirety and insert "to provide for administering reconstituted medication; to provide for the authority to administer certain medications; and to provide for related matters."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 6 through 19 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 37:930.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§930.1. Administering reconstituted medication

A registered nurse may execute preparation of medication, mixing, reconstitution, or similar acts for immediate administration when carrying out the orders of a healthcare professional authorized to prescribe medication in this state."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

Delete page 2 in its entirety

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 996—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1505.2(I)(2)(b)(iii), relative to expenditures made by a candidate or his principal campaign committee or a leadership committee; to provide that certain expenses are not presumed to be made for personal use; to provide for expenditures for clothing required for holding state legislative office; 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. 996 by Representative Dewitt

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 5, after "holding" and before "office" insert "state legislative"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 9, delete "Clothing," and insert "For members of the legislature, clothing"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, at the end of line 10, insert the following:

"The expenses provided for in this Subitem shall not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars per calendar year."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1003—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3982(B)(2)(a), and to enact R.S. 17:10.7.1(J), relative to certain schools returned from the Recovery School District; to provide relative to certain charter schools; to provide relative to overcapacity in a school district; to provide for reporting; to provide for the lease or sale of certain property; to provide for the powers and duties of a local school board; to provide for the powers and duties of a local superintendent; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 1003 by Representative Freeman

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 16, after "Subsection." delete the remainder of the line and delete line 17

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1036—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1483(26), relative to the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act; to provide for definitions; to provide for the definition of "primary purpose"; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1054—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO  
AN ACT

To enact Code of Evidence Article 902.1, relative to evidence; to provide for self-authentication of certain evidence; to provide relative to certain footage; to provide for time periods; to provide for applicable proceedings; to provide for notice; to provide for certificates; to authorize the filing of a demand for certain testimony; to provide for service; to provide relative to the extension of time periods; to provide for duties of the court; to provide relative to the admissibility of certain evidence; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1071—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:3.7, relative to public records; to provide an exception for certain records of critical infrastructure of aerospace facilities or aerospace activities; to provide conditions; 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. Beaulieu, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1076—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO  
AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 37:3718, relative to the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board; to repeal the board's termination date.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1078—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES FREIBERG, CARLSON, CARPENTER,  
EDMONSTON, ST. BLANC, AND TAYLOR  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3351.17(A) and (B), relative to tuition and fees at public postsecondary education institutions; to authorize public postsecondary education management boards to impose tuition and attendance fees for certain distance education courses; to authorize proportional amounts for certain academic periods; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1113—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 24:13.1, relative to legislative instruments; to require a copy of each legislative instrument prefiled or introduced to be made available through the website of the Legislature of Louisiana; to require an unofficial engrossed version of a legislative instrument for each set of proposed amendments; to require the unofficial engrossed version of the instrument to immediately be made available on the website of the Legislature of Louisiana; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1132—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:350.21(A)(1), relative to the funding of laboratory schools; to provide for the funding of a school operated by any institution under the supervision and management of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System through the minimum foundation program; to provide for the allocation of funds to the board for the operation of the school; to provide relative to applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Education.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Education to Original House Bill No. 1132 by Representative Carver

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 6, after "school;" and before "and" insert "to provide relative to applicability;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 12, delete "A.(1)" and insert "A.(1)(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 14, after "College," delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 15 and 16 and insert "the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, or the"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 1, after "Monroe" and before "shall" delete the comma ",."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

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

"(b) In addition to the schools provided for in Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph, any elementary or secondary school established on or after August 1, 2026, and operated by an institution under the supervision and management of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System shall be considered a public elementary or secondary school and, as such, shall be annually appropriated funds as determined by applying the formula as specified in Subsection B of this Section."

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

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1146—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:407.101(C)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (2) through (5), (E), (F), and (G), to enact R.S. 17:407.101(C)(1)(qq) through (bbb) and (6) and (I) through (L), and to repeal R.S. 17:407.51, relative to early childhood care and education; to provide relative to the Early Childhood Care and Education Commission; to provide for the membership of the commission; to provide for the duties and authority of the commission; to provide for meetings of the commission; to provide relative to the Advisory Council on Early Childhood Care and Education; to repeal the statutory authority for the advisory council; to transfer certain duties and authority of the advisory council to the commission; to require certain reports by the state Department of Education to be provided to the commission instead of the advisory council; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Education.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1232** (Substitute for House Bill No. 647 by

Representative Bourriaque)—  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIAQUE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:3471(6) and (7), 3472(Section heading), (A), and (D), 3473, 3475(A), 3477(Section heading), (A), and (D), and 3478 and to repeal R.S. 34:3474, relative to waterways; to provide for the Waterway Assistance Program and Fund; to provide for timelines for submitting applications for funding of any waterway projects by a governmental entity; to provide for an annual basis for application submissions; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1233** (Substitute for House Bill No. 839 by Representative Coates)—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2225.2.4(A)(3), relative to the contract limit for hospital service districts; to provide for a decreased contract limit for hospital service districts; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

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

**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. 15—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE  
A RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to pass the SAVE America Act requiring voter identification in federal elections to protect election integrity and public confidence in the democratic process.

Read by title.

Rep. Wyble moved the adoption of the resolution.

By a vote of 65 yeas and 32 nays, the resolution was adopted.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 20—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK  
A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Conservation and Energy to study the industrial use of water from Caddo Lake and to report its findings to the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. McCormick, the resolution was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 14—**

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARVER, AMEDEE, CARLSON, EDMONSTON, OWEN, AND SCHLEGEL AND SENATOR EDMONDS  
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express support for federal efforts to eliminate the United States Department of Education and to memorialize the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to cooperate fully with these efforts.

Read by title.

**Speaker DeVillier in the Chair**

Rep. Carver moved the adoption of the resolution.

By a vote of 59 yeas and 29 nays, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Freeman requested the House consent to record her vote on final passage of House Concurrent Resolution No. 14 as nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Michael Johnson, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage at this time.

**House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage**

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on third reading and final passage were taken up and acted upon as follows:

**HOUSE BILL NO. 98—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2024.5(F) and to enact R.S. 22:1078(F) and (G), R.S. 40:2024.5(H), and R.S. 46:1844(W)(6), 1862(E), and 2124.1(E) and (F), relative to the confidential information of individuals who are victims of certain offenses; to provide for penalties for the unlawful release, disclosure, transfer, or dissemination of certain information; to provide for a limitation of liability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Michael Johnson moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Adams	Farnum	McMahan
Amedee	Firment	McMakin
Bagley	Fisher	Melerine
Bamburg	Freeman	Mena
Bayham	Freiberg	Miller
Beaullieu	Gadberry	Moore
Berault	Galle	Murray
Billings	Geymann	Muscarello
Boudreaux	Glorioso	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Green	Owen
Boyd	Hebert	Phelps
Boyer	Henry, C.	Riser
Brass	Henry, D.	Sawyer
Braud	Hilferty	Schamerhorn
Broussard	Horton	Schlegel
Butler	Illg	Spell
Carlson	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Stagni
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Tarver
Carter, W.	Jordan	Taylor
Carver	Kerner	Thomas
Chassion	Knox	Thompson
Chenevert	LaCombe	Turner
Coates	LaFleur	Ventrella
Crews	Landry, M.	Villio
Deshotel	Landry, T.	Wilder
Dewitt	Larvadain	Wright
Domangue	Lyons	Wyble
Echols	Mack	Zeringue
Edmonston	Martinez	
Egan	McCormick	

**NAYS**

Total - 0

**ABSENT**

Mr. Speaker	Dickerson	Newell
Bacala	Fontenot	Walters
Bryant	Landry, J.	Wiley
Carter, R.	Marcelle	Young
Cox	McFarland	

Total - 14

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Michael Johnson 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 108—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX  
AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 401(A)(6), relative to juror qualifications; to prohibit persons convicted of violent crimes and sex crimes from serving as a juror; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Cox moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker	Domangue	McMahan
Amedee	Echols	McMakin
Bacala	Edmonston	Melerine
Bagley	Egan	Muscarello
Bamburg	Farnum	Orgeron
Bayham	Firment	Owen
Beaullieu	Fontenot	Riser
Berault	Freiberg	Sawyer
Boudreaux	Gadberry	Schamerhorn
Bourriaque	Galle	Schlegel
Boyer	Geymann	Spell
Braud	Glorioso	St. Blanc
Broussard	Hebert	Stagni
Butler	Henry, C.	Tarver
Carlson	Hilferty	Thomas
Carrier	Horton	Turner
Carver	Illg	Ventrella
Chenevert	Johnson, M.	Villio
Coates	Kerner	Wilder
Cox	LaCombe	Wright
Crews	Mack	Wyble
Deshotel	McCormick	Zeringue
Dewitt	McFarland	

Total - 68

**NAYS**

Adams	Green	Martinez
Billings	Henry, D.	Mena
Boyd	Johnson, T.	Miller
Brass	Jordan	Moore
Bryant	Knox	Murray
Carpenter	LaFleur	Newell
Carter, R.	Landry, M.	Phelps
Carter, W.	Landry, T.	Taylor
Chassion	Larvadain	Thompson
Fisher	Lyons	Walters

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Freeman  
Total - 32

Marcelle  
ABSENT

Dickerson  
Jackson  
Total - 5

Landry, J. Young  
Wiley

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Cox 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 131—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 930.4(B) and (C) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 930.5(C), relative to post-conviction relief; to provide relative to repetitive applications; to provide relative to custody and bail pending retrial; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Bacala moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Dewitt	McFarland
Adams	Domangue	McMahan
Amedee	Echols	McMakin
Bacala	Edmonston	Melerine
Bagley	Egan	Muscarello
Bamburg	Farnum	Orgeron
Bayham	Firment	Owen
Beaullieu	Fisher	Riser
Berault	Fontenot	Sawyer
Billings	Freiberg	Schamerhorn
Boudreaux	Gadberry	Schlegel
Bourriaque	Galle	Spell
Boyer	Hebert	St. Blanc
Brass	Henry, C.	Stagni
Braud	Hilferty	Tarver
Broussard	Horton	Thomas
Butler	Illg	Thompson
Carlson	Jackson	Turner
Carrier	Johnson, M.	Ventrella
Carver	Johnson, T.	Villio
Chenevert	Kerner	Wilder
Coates	LaCombe	Wright
Cox	Landry, T.	Wyble
Crews	Mack	Zeringue
Deshotel	McCormick	

NAYS

Boyd	Henry, D.	Miller
Bryant	Jordan	Moore
Carpenter	LaFleur	Murray
Carter, W.	Landry, M.	Newell
Chassion	Larvadain	Phelps
Freeman	Lyons	Taylor
Green	Martinez	Walters

ABSENT

Carter, R.  
Dickerson  
Geymann  
Glorioso  
Total - 10

Knox  
Landry, J.  
Marcelle  
Mena

Wiley  
Young

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Bacala 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 151—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER  
AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 978.1, relative to expungement; to provide for submission of documents to the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information with a motion to expunge; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Boyer, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 161—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 320(J)(1) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 320(J)(4), relative to bail conditions; to provide relative to bail conditions for certain defendants; to provide for the duties of the court; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Mack moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Edmonston	McCormick
Adams	Egan	McFarland
Amedee	Farnum	McMahan
Bacala	Firment	McMakin
Bagley	Fisher	Melerine
Bamburg	Fontenot	Mena
Bayham	Freeman	Miller
Beaullieu	Freiberg	Moore
Berault	Gadberry	Murray
Billings	Galle	Muscarello
Boudreaux	Geymann	Newell
Bourriaque	Glorioso	Orgeron
Boyd	Green	Owen
Boyer	Hebert	Phelps
Brass	Henry, C.	Riser
Braud	Henry, D.	Sawyer
Broussard	Hilferty	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Horton	Schlegel
Butler	Illg	Spell
Carlson	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Stagni
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Tarver
Carter, W.	Jordan	Taylor
Carver	Kerner	Thomas
Chassion	Knox	Thompson

Chenevert	LaCombe	Turner
Coates	LaFleur	Ventrella
Cox	Landry, M.	Villio
Crews	Landry, T.	Walters
Deshotel	Larvadain	Wilder
Dewitt	Lyons	Wright
Domangue	Mack	Wyble
Echols	Martinez	Zeringue

Total - 99

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Carter, R.	Landry, J.	Wiley
Dickerson	Marcelle	Young

Total - 6

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Mack 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 288—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:46.1 and R.S. 40:1300.81, relative to medical terminology; to provide for terminology used in medical documentation; to require certain terms be included in medical records and medical billing; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Boyer moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Echols	McCormick
Adams	Edmonston	McFarland
Amedee	Egan	McMahan
Bacala	Farnum	McMakin
Bagley	Firment	Melerine
Bamburg	Fisher	Mena
Bayham	Fontenot	Miller
Beaullieu	Freeman	Moore
Berault	Freiberg	Muscarello
Billings	Gadberry	Newell
Boudreaux	Galle	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Glorioso	Owen
Boyd	Green	Phelps
Boyer	Hebert	Riser
Brass	Henry, C.	Sawyer
Braud	Henry, D.	Schamerhorn
Broussard	Hilferty	Schlegel
Bryant	Horton	Spell
Butler	Illg	St. Blanc
Carlson	Jackson	Stagni
Carpenter	Johnson, T.	Tarver
Carrier	Jordan	Taylor
Carter, R.	Kerner	Thomas
Carter, W.	Knox	Thompson
Carver	LaCombe	Turner
Chassion	LaFleur	Ventrella
Chenevert	Landry, M.	Villio
Coates	Landry, T.	Walters

Cox	Larvadain	Wilder
Crews	Lyons	Wright
Deshotel	Mack	Wyble
Dewitt	Marcelle	Zeringue
Domangue	Martinez	

Total - 98

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Dickerson	Landry, J.	Young
Geymann	Murray	
Johnson, M.	Wiley	

Total - 7

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Boyer 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 294—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:19(A)(1)(b)(i) and (2) and (B)(introductory paragraph) and (1) and to enact R.S. 13:5233.2, relative to the exercise of religion; to limit liability of persons protecting the right of religion; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Firment sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Firment to Engrossed House Bill No. 294 by Representative Firment

**AMENDMENT NO. 1**

On page 3, line 15, change "defined outdoor area" to "outdoor private property"

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

Rep. Firment moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Domangue	McFarland
Adams	Echols	McMahan
Amedee	Edmonston	McMakin
Bacala	Egan	Melerine
Bagley	Farnum	Moore
Bamburg	Firment	Muscarello
Bayham	Fisher	Orgeron
Beaullieu	Fontenot	Owen
Berault	Freiberg	Riser
Billings	Gadberry	Sawyer
Boudreaux	Galle	Schamerhorn
Bourriaque	Geymann	Schlegel
Boyer	Glorioso	Spell
Braud	Hebert	St. Blanc

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Broussard	Henry, C.	Stagni
Carlson	Hilferty	Tarver
Carrier	Horton	Thomas
Carter, R.	Illg	Thompson
Carver	Jackson	Turner
Chenevert	Johnson, M.	Ventrella
Coates	Kerner	Villio
Cox	LaCombe	Wilder
Crews	Mack	Wright
Deshotel	Martinez	Wyble
Dewitt	McCormick	Zeringue
Total - 75		

NAYS

Boyd	Johnson, T.	Mena
Brass	Jordan	Miller
Bryant	Knox	Murray
Carpenter	LaFleur	Newell
Carter, W.	Landry, M.	Phelps
Chassion	Landry, T.	Taylor
Freeman	Larvadain	Walters
Green	Lyons	
Henry, D.	Marcelle	
Total - 25		

ABSENT

Butler	Landry, J.	Young
Dickerson	Wiley	
Total - 5		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Firment 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 305—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:81.1(F), relative to victims of child sexual abuse materials; to provide for the duties of law enforcement; to provide for the sharing of information between law enforcement and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Carver moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Edmonston	McCormick
Adams	Egan	McFarland
Amedee	Farnum	McMahan
Bacala	Firment	McMakin
Bagley	Fisher	Melerine
Bamburg	Fontenot	Mena
Bayham	Freeman	Miller
Beaulieu	Freiberg	Moore
Berault	Gadberry	Murray
Billings	Galle	Muscarello
Boudreaux	Geymann	Newell
Bourriaque	Glorioso	Orgeron
Boyd	Green	Owen
Boyer	Hebert	Phelps
Brass	Henry, C.	Riser

Braud	Henry, D.	Sawyer
Broussard	Hilferty	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Horton	Schlegel
Butler	Illg	Spell
Carlson	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Stagni
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Tarver
Carter, R.	Jordan	Taylor
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thomas
Carver	Knox	Thompson
Chassion	LaCombe	Turner
Chenevert	LaFleur	Ventrella
Coates	Landry, M.	Villio
Cox	Landry, T.	Walters
Crews	Larvadain	Wilder
Deshotel	Lyons	Wright
Dewitt	Mack	Wyble
Domangue	Marcelle	Zeringue
Echols	Martinez	
Total - 101		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Dickerson	Wiley
Landry, J.	Young
Total - 4	

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Carver 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.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Chaisson requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 305 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Knox requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 305 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 310—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARLSON  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 780(B), relative to trial by jury; to provide for the reassignment of cases; to provide for the filing of motions; to provide for duties of the court; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Villio sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Villio to Engrossed House Bill No. 310 by Representative Carlson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, delete lines 1 through 3 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(3) Within ten days of service of notice of the defendant filing a written motion to waive the jury, the prosecuting authority may file a written waiver of reassignment, in which case the matter shall not be reassigned."

(4) When a defendant waives trial by jury in accordance with this Article and the waiver results in reassignment, the filing of that waiver shall constitute an interruption of the time periods provided in Article 701, and the time periods shall begin to run anew."

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

**Motion**

Rep. Glorioso moved to suspend the rules to allow the author handling the bill an additional three minutes.

Rep. Horton objected.

By a vote of 38 yeas and 46 nays, the motion failed to pass.

Rep. Carlson moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker	Crews	McMahan
Amedee	Deshotel	McMakin
Bacala	Dewitt	Orgeron
Bagley	Edmonston	Owen
Bamburg	Egan	Riser
Bayham	Farnum	Schlegel
Beaullieu	Firment	St. Blanc
Berault	Fontenot	Tarver
Boudreaux	Gadberry	Thomas
Bourriaque	Galle	Thompson
Boyer	Geymann	Turner
Broussard	Hebert	Villio
Butler	Henry, C.	Wilder
Carlson	Hilferty	Wright
Carrier	Horton	Wyble
Carver	Illg	Zeringue
Chenevert	Johnson, M.	
Total - 50		

**NAYS**

Adams	Green	Mena
Billings	Henry, D.	Miller
Boyd	Jackson	Moore
Brass	Johnson, T.	Murray
Braud	Jordan	Muscarello
Bryant	Kerner	Newell
Carpenter	Knox	Phelps
Carter, R.	LaCombe	Sawyer
Carter, W.	LaFleur	Schamerhorn
Chassion	Landry, M.	Spell
Coates	Landry, T.	Stagni
Cox	Larvadain	Taylor
Domangue	Lyons	Ventrella
Fisher	Mack	Walters
Freeman	Marcelle	Young
Freiberg	Martinez	
Glorioso	McCormick	
Total - 49		

**ABSENT**

Dickerson	Landry, J.	Melerine
Echols	McFarland	Wiley
Total - 6		

The Chair declared the above bill failed to pass.

Motion to reconsider pending.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 320—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:541(24)(a) and to enact R.S. 14:406, relative to offenses affecting law enforcement; to create the crime of unlawful exposure by an inmate; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide with respect to sex offender registration and notification requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Firment moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker	Domangue	McCormick
Adams	Echols	McFarland
Amedee	Edmonston	McMahan
Bacala	Egan	McMakin
Bagley	Farnum	Melerine
Bamburg	Firment	Moore
Bayham	Fisher	Orgeron
Beaullieu	Fontenot	Owen
Berault	Freiberg	Riser
Billings	Gadberry	Sawyer
Boudreaux	Galle	Schamerhorn
Bourriaque	Geymann	Schlegel
Boyer	Glorioso	Spell
Brass	Henry, C.	St. Blanc
Braud	Hilferty	Tarver
Broussard	Horton	Thomas
Butler	Illg	Thompson
Carlson	Jackson	Turner
Carrier	Johnson, M.	Ventrella
Carver	Johnson, T.	Villio
Chenevert	Kerner	Wilder
Coates	Knox	Wright
Cox	LaCombe	Wyble
Crews	Landry, T.	Zeringue
Deshotel	Mack	
Dewitt	Martinez	
Total - 76		

**NAYS**

Boyd	Green	Mena
Bryant	Henry, D.	Murray
Carpenter	Jordan	Newell
Carter, W.	Landry, M.	Phelps
Chassion	Larvadain	Taylor
Freeman	Marcelle	Walters
Total - 18		

**ABSENT**

Carter, R.	Landry, J.	Stagni
Dickerson	Lyons	Wiley
Hebert	Miller	Young
LaFleur	Muscarello	
Total - 11		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Firment 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 336—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON  
AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 927.2, relative to post-conviction relief; to provide relative to unexhausted claims; to provide for duties of the petitioner and the court; to provide for the submission and contents of applications; to provide for dismissal; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Michael Johnson moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker	Deshotel	McFarland
Adams	Dewitt	McMahan
Amedee	Domangue	McMakin
Bacala	Echols	Melerine
Bagley	Edmonston	Moore
Bamburg	Egan	Muscarello
Bayham	Farnum	Orgeron
Beaullieu	Firment	Owen
Berault	Fisher	Riser
Billings	Fontenot	Sawyer
Boudreaux	Freiberg	Schamerhorn
Bourriaque	Gadberry	Schlegel
Boyd	Galle	Spell
Boyer	Geymann	St. Blanc
Brass	Glorioso	Stagni
Braud	Henry, C.	Tarver
Broussard	Hilferty	Thomas
Butler	Horton	Thompson
Carlson	Illg	Turner
Carrier	Jackson	Ventrella
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Villio
Carver	Johnson, T.	Wilder
Chenevert	Kerner	Wright
Coates	LaCombe	Wyble
Cox	Mack	Zeringue
Crews	McCormick	
Total - 77		

**NAYS**

Bryant	Landry, T.	Murray
Carpenter	Larvadain	Newell
Carter, W.	Lyons	Phelps
Green	Martinez	Taylor
Henry, D.	Mena	Walters
Jordan	Miller	
Total - 17		

**ABSENT**

Chassion	Knox	Marcelle
Dickerson	LaFleur	Wiley
Freeman	Landry, J.	Young
Hebert	Landry, M.	
Total - 11		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Michael Johnson 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.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Terry Landry requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 336 as nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 380—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES TRAVIS JOHNSON, AMEDEE, BROUSSARD, CARLSON, CARPENTER, CARVER, EDMONSTON, FREIBERG, MARTINEZ, ST. BLANC, AND TAYLOR  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:3217.6, relative to community and technical education; to authorize any institution under the supervision and management of the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges to establish a pilot program in partnership with a local public school system; to provide for the purpose of the program; to subject the partnership to the approval of the board of supervisors and the applicable city, parish, or other local public school board; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. C. Travis Johnson moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker	Edmonston	McFarland
Adams	Egan	McMahan
Amedee	Farnum	McMakin
Bacala	Firment	Melerine
Bagley	Fisher	Mena
Bamburg	Freeman	Miller
Bayham	Freiberg	Moore
Beaullieu	Gadberry	Murray
Berault	Galle	Muscarello
Billings	Geymann	Newell
Boudreaux	Glorioso	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Green	Owen
Boyer	Hebert	Phelps
Brass	Henry, C.	Riser
Braud	Henry, D.	Sawyer
Broussard	Hilferty	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Horton	Schlegel
Butler	Illg	Spell
Carlson	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Stagni
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Tarver
Carter, R.	Jordan	Taylor
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thomas
Carver	Knox	Thompson
Chassion	LaCombe	Turner
Chenevert	LaFleur	Ventrella
Coates	Landry, M.	Villio
Cox	Landry, T.	Walters
Crews	Lyons	Wilder
Deshotel	Mack	Wright
Dewitt	Marcelle	Wyble
Domangue	Martinez	Zeringue
Echols	McCormick	
Total - 98		

**NAYS**

Total - 0

**ABSENT**

Boyd  
Dickerson  
Fontenot  
Total - 7

Landry, J.  
Larvadain  
Wiley

Young

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. C. Travis Johnson 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 392—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:282.4(F), relative to suicide prevention programs for students; to provide relative to information required to be shared on school websites and student identification cards; to revise the content of the information; to broaden applicability of requirements; to require signage at schools about the national suicide prevention hotline number and a state suicide prevention website; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Boyd sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Boyd to Engrossed House Bill No. 392 by Representative Boyd

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, after "information;" and before "to" insert "to authorize such information to be included in student handbooks;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 16, after "website" and before "the" insert "and may include in its student handbook"

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

Rep. Boyd moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Edmonston	McCormick
Adams	Egan	McMahan
Amedee	Farnum	McMakin
Bacala	Firment	Melerine
Bagley	Fisher	Mena
Bamburg	Fontenot	Miller
Bayham	Freeman	Moore
Beaullieu	Freiberg	Murray
Berault	Gadberry	Muscarello
Billings	Galle	Newell
Boudreaux	Geymann	Orgeron
Bourriague	Glorioso	Owen
Boyd	Green	Phelps
Boyer	Hebert	Riser
Brass	Henry, C.	Sawyer
Braud	Henry, D.	Schamerhorn
Broussard	Hilferty	Schlegel

Bryant  
Butler  
Carlson  
Carpenter  
Carrier  
Carter, R.  
Carter, W.  
Carver  
Chassion  
Chenevert  
Coates  
Cox  
Crews  
Deshotel  
Dewitt  
Domangue  
Echols  
Total - 100

Horton  
Illg  
Jackson  
Johnson, M.  
Johnson, T.  
Jordan  
Kerner  
Knox  
LaCombe  
LaFleur  
Landry, M.  
Landry, T.  
Larvadain  
Lyons  
Mack  
Marcelle  
Martinez

Spell  
St. Blanc  
Stagni  
Tarver  
Taylor  
Thomas  
Thompson  
Turner  
Ventrella  
Villio  
Walters  
Wilder  
Wright  
Young  
Zeringue

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Dickerson  
Landry, J.  
Total - 5

McFarland  
Wiley

Wyble

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

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

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Bamburg requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 392 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 403—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:4.9(B), relative to homemade food for sale to the public; to modify the gross sale amount to qualify for low-risk homemade food exemption to the Sanitary Code and other food safety laws; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Coates moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Echols	Mack
Adams	Edmonston	Marcelle
Amedee	Egan	McCormick
Bacala	Farnum	McMahan
Bagley	Firment	McMakin
Bamburg	Fisher	Melerine
Bayham	Fontenot	Mena
Beaullieu	Freeman	Miller
Billings	Freiberg	Moore
Boudreaux	Gadberry	Murray
Bourriague	Galle	Newell
Boyd	Geymann	Orgeron
Boyer	Glorioso	Owen

Brass	Green	Riser
Braud	Hebert	Sawyer
Broussard	Henry, C.	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Henry, D.	Schlegel
Butler	Hilferty	Spell
Carlson	Horton	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Illg	Tarver
Carrier	Jackson	Taylor
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Thomas
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Thompson
Carver	Jordan	Turner
Chassion	Kerner	Ventrella
Chenevert	Knox	Villio
Coates	LaCombe	Walters
Cox	LaFleur	Wilder
Crews	Landry, M.	Wright
Deshotel	Landry, T.	Wyble
Dewitt	Larvadain	Zeringue
Domangue	Lyons	

Total - 95

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Berault	McFarland	Wiley
Dickerson	Muscarello	Young
Landry, J.	Phelps	
Martinez	Stagni	

Total - 10

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

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

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Bamburg requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 403 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 420—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:474(B)(1)(a)(introductory paragraph) and R.S. 46:51.2 (A)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (2) and to enact R.S. 36:474(B)(1)(a)(iv), relative to employees of the Department of Children and Family Services; to provide for the authority of the secretary of the Department of Children and Family Services; to provide for hiring requirements; to require a criminal background check; to require review of the central registry; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Berault moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Echols	Mack
Adams	Edmonston	Marcelle
Amedee	Egan	McCormick
Bacala	Farnum	McMahen
Bagley	Firment	McMakin

Bamburg	Fisher	Melerine
Bayham	Fontenot	Mena
Beaullieu	Freeman	Miller
Berault	Freiberg	Moore
Billings	Gadberry	Murray
Boudreaux	Galle	Newell
Bourriaque	Geymann	Orgeron
Boyd	Glorioso	Owen
Boyer	Green	Phelps
Brass	Hebert	Riser
Braud	Henry, C.	Sawyer
Broussard	Henry, D.	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Hilferty	Schlegel
Butler	Horton	Spell
Carlson	Illg	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Jackson	Tarver
Carrier	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Carter, R.	Johnson, T.	Thomas
Carver	Jordan	Thompson
Chassion	Kerner	Turner
Chenevert	Knox	Ventrella
Coates	LaCombe	Villio
Cox	LaFleur	Wilder
Crews	Landry, M.	Wright
Deshotel	Landry, T.	Wyble
Dewitt	Larvadain	Zeringue
Domangue	Lyons	

Total - 95

NAYS

Carter, W.  
Total - 1

ABSENT

Dickerson	McFarland	Walters
Landry, J.	Muscarello	Wiley
Martinez	Stagni	Young

Total - 9

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

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

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Bamburg requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 420 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Taylor requested the House consent to correct her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 420 from nay to yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 459—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1463(A), (E), (F), and (G) and to enact R.S. 18:1463(H) and (I), relative to required disclosures in political materials and communications; to provide for disclosures related to the use of artificial intelligence to create the image or likeness of a candidate; to provide for criminal penalties; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Speaker Pro Tempore Mike Johnson in the Chair**

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Mandie Landry, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 476—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:17.9 and 3996(B)(92), relative to public health information; to provide relative to information posted in public middle and high schools; to provide for requirements of the Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services and the state Department of Education; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Edmonston, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 540—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1463(C)(2), relative to disclosure requirements in political materials; to provide for disclosures required on digital materials; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Knox sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Knox to Engrossed House Bill No. 540 by Representative Knox

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the beginning of line 13, delete "or digital material." and insert "or any digital material that refers to a legally qualified candidate for elected office and that is broadcast within sixty days before any election in which such candidate is on the ballot."

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

Rep. Knox moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker	Domangue	Lyons
Adams	Echols	Mack
Amedee	Edmonston	Martinez
Bacala	Egan	McCormick
Bagley	Farnum	McMahan
Bamburg	Firment	McMakin
Bayham	Fisher	Mena
Beaulieu	Fontenot	Miller
Berault	Freeman	Moore
Billings	Freiberg	Murray
Boudreaux	Gadberry	Newell
Bourriaque	Galle	Orgeron
Boyd	Geymann	Owen
Boyer	Glorioso	Phelps

Brass	Green	Riser
Braud	Hebert	Sawyer
Broussard	Henry, C.	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Henry, D.	Schlegel
Butler	Hilferty	St. Blanc
Carlson	Horton	Taylor
Carpenter	Illg	Thomas
Carrier	Jackson	Thompson
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Turner
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Ventrella
Carver	Jordan	Villio
Chassion	Kerner	Walters
Chenevert	Knox	Wilder
Coates	LaCombe	Wright
Cox	LaFleur	Wyble
Crews	Landry, M.	Young
Deshotel	Landry, T.	Zeringue
Dewitt	Larvadain	

Total - 95

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Dickerson	Melerine	Tarver
Landry, J.	Muscarello	Wiley
Marcelle	Spell	
McFarland	Stagni	
Total - 10		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Knox 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 615—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:19(A)(1)(c) and 23(B), relative to public meetings; to require certain public bodies to broadcast meetings live; to require the notice of the meeting to include certain information; to provide relative to definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Bacala, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 631—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:3002(B)(9), relative to recreational hunting licenses; to provide for a nonresident license for bear hunting and to establish the fee; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Riser, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Riser gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 631 from the calendar on Monday, April 13, 2026.

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 637—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACOB LANDRY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:87(F)(2), relative to oilfield site restoration fees; to provide for the calculation of oilfield site restoration fees on reduced rate production wells; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

### Motion

On motion of Rep. Jacob Landry, the bill was returned to the calendar.

### Notice of Intention to Call

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Jacob Landry gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 637 from the calendar on Monday, April 13, 2026.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 648—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:17.2(F)(2) and 17.2.1(A), relative to public bodies; to provide for the participation of certain people during public meetings; to provide for participation by a parent or legal guardian of a child under the age of five and a provider of early childhood supports or services; to provide for exceptions for certain meetings of certain public bodies; to provide for the participation of certain members of public bodies during public meetings; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Brass moved the final passage of the bill.

### ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

#### YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Echols	McMahan
Adams	Edmonston	McMakin
Bacala	Egan	Melerine
Bagley	Firment	Mena
Bamburg	Fisher	Miller
Bayham	Fontenot	Moore
Beaullieu	Freeman	Murray
Berault	Freiberg	Muscarello
Billings	Gadberry	Newell
Boudreaux	Geymann	Orgeron
Bourriaque	Green	Owen
Boyd	Hebert	Phelps
Boyer	Henry, C.	Riser
Brass	Henry, D.	Sawyer
Braud	Hilferty	Schamerhorn
Broussard	Horton	Schlegel
Bryant	Illg	Spell
Butler	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Stagni
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Taylor
Carter, R.	Jordan	Thomas
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thompson
Carver	Knox	Turner
Chassion	LaCombe	Villio
Chenevert	LaFleur	Walters
Coates	Landry, M.	Wilder
Cox	Landry, T.	Wyble
Crews	Larvadain	Young

Deshotel  
Dewitt  
Domangue  
Total - 91

Lyons  
Mack  
Martinez  
  
NAYS

Zeringue

McCormick  
Total - 2

Tarver  
  
ABSENT

Amedee  
Carlson  
Dickerson  
Farnum  
Total - 12

Galle  
Glorioso  
Landry, J.  
Marcelle

McFarland  
Ventrella  
Wiley  
Wright

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Brass 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.

## HOUSE BILL NO. 665—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MACK  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:322.3 and to repeal R.S. 56:322.3, relative to hoop nets and seines; to prohibit the use of hoop nets and seines in North Pass and Manchac Pass; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Mack moved the final passage of the bill.

### ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

#### YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Egan	McFarland
Adams	Farnum	McMahan
Amedee	Firment	McMakin
Bamburg	Fisher	Melerine
Bayham	Fontenot	Mena
Beaullieu	Freeman	Miller
Berault	Freiberg	Moore
Billings	Gadberry	Murray
Boudreaux	Galle	Newell
Bourriaque	Geymann	Orgeron
Boyd	Green	Owen
Boyer	Hebert	Phelps
Brass	Henry, C.	Riser
Braud	Henry, D.	Sawyer
Broussard	Hilferty	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Horton	Schlegel
Butler	Illg	Spell
Carpenter	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carrier	Johnson, M.	Stagni
Carter, R.	Johnson, T.	Tarver
Carter, W.	Jordan	Taylor
Carver	Kerner	Thomas
Chassion	Knox	Thompson
Chenevert	LaCombe	Turner
Coates	LaFleur	Ventrella
Cox	Landry, M.	Villio
Crews	Landry, T.	Walters
Deshotel	Larvadain	Wilder
Dewitt	Lyons	Wyble
Domangue	Mack	Zeringue

Echols  
Edmonston  
Total - 94

Marcelle  
McCormick  
  
NAYS

Bacala  
Total - 2

Martinez  
  
ABSENT

Bagley  
Carlson  
Dickerson  
Total - 9

Glorioso  
Landry, J.  
Muscarello  
Wiley  
Wright  
Young

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Mack 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.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Spell requested the House consent to record her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 665 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 682—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:416.19(B)(1) and to enact R.S. 17:3996(B)(24), relative to school resource officers; to provide for the use of veterans as school resource officers; to provide for the definition of veteran; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Edmonston, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 789—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE GALLE  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:99.2(B)(2) and to enact R.S. 14:99.3 and 99.4 and to repeal R.S. 14:99.2(E)(4), relative to the seizure of off-road vehicles; to provide for forfeiture; to provide for the sale of seized off-road vehicles and disbursement of funds; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Galle moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker	Dewitt	McMahan
Bacala	Domangue	McMakin
Bamburg	Echols	Orgeron
Bayham	Edmonston	Riser
Beaullieu	Egan	Sawyer
Berault	Firment	Schamerhorn
Billings	Fontenot	Schlegel
Boudreaux	Freiberg	Spell
Bourriaque	Gadberry	St. Blanc
Boyer	Galle	Tarver

Braud  
Broussard  
Butler  
Carlson  
Carrier  
Carver  
Chenevert  
Coates  
Cox  
Deshotel  
Total - 58

Glorioso  
Hebert  
Henry, C.  
Hilferty  
Illg  
Johnson, M.  
Kerner  
LaCombe  
Mack  
McFarland

Thomas  
Turner  
Ventrella  
Villio  
Wilder  
Wright  
Wyble  
Zeringue

NAYS

Adams  
Amedee  
Boyd  
Brass  
Bryant  
Carpenter  
Carter, R.  
Carter, W.  
Chasson  
Crews  
Fisher  
Freeman  
Total - 34

Geymann  
Green  
Henry, D.  
Horton  
Jackson  
Knox  
LaFleur  
Landry, M.  
Landry, T.  
Larvadain  
Martinez  
McCormick

Mena  
Moore  
Murray  
Muscarello  
Newell  
Owen  
Phelps  
Taylor  
Thompson  
Walters

ABSENT

Bagley  
Dickerson  
Farnum  
Johnson, T.  
Jordan  
Total - 13

Landry, J.  
Lyons  
Marcelle  
Melerine  
Miller

Stagni  
Wiley  
Young

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Galle 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.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Carlson requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 789 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Hilferty requested the House consent to record her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 789 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 813—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5581(A), relative to the sheriff for the parish of Orleans; to provide for the sheriff's term of office; to provide for the term of office for the sheriff elected at the election for parochial or municipal officer in Orleans Parish in 2029; to provide for the beginning of the term of office for each sheriff elected thereafter; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Mandie Landry moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

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YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Echols	Martinez
Adams	Edmonston	McCormick
Amedee	Egan	McFarland
Bacala	Farnum	McMahen
Bamburg	Firment	McMakin
Bayham	Fisher	Mena
Beaullieu	Fontenot	Miller
Berault	Freiberg	Moore
Billings	Gadberry	Muscarello
Boudreaux	Geymann	Newell
Bourriaque	Glorioso	Orgeron
Boyd	Green	Owen
Boyer	Hebert	Phelps
Brass	Henry, C.	Riser
Braud	Henry, D.	Sawyer
Broussard	Hilferty	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Horton	Schlegel
Butler	Illg	Spell
Carlson	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Stagni
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Tarver
Carter, R.	Jordan	Taylor
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thomas
Carver	Knox	Turner
Chassion	LaCombe	Ventrella
Chenevert	LaFleur	Villio
Coates	Landry, M.	Walters
Cox	Landry, T.	Wilder
Crews	Larvadain	Wright
Deshotel	Lyons	Wyble
Dewitt	Mack	Zeringue
Domangue	Marcelle	
Total - 95		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Bagley	Landry, J.	Wiley
Dickerson	Melerine	Young
Freeman	Murray	
Galle	Thompson	
Total - 10		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

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

**HOUSE BILL NO. 815—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:41(C)(1)(k), relative to vital records in the custody of the state registry; to provide for the disclosure of records to federally insured financial institutions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Carver moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Edmonston	McCormick
Adams	Egan	McFarland
Amedee	Farnum	McMahen
Bacala	Firment	McMakin
Bamburg	Fisher	Melerine
Bayham	Fontenot	Mena
Beaullieu	Freeman	Miller
Berault	Freiberg	Moore
Billings	Gadberry	Murray
Boudreaux	Galle	Muscarello
Bourriaque	Glorioso	Newell
Boyd	Green	Orgeron
Boyer	Hebert	Owen
Brass	Henry, C.	Phelps
Braud	Henry, D.	Riser
Broussard	Hilferty	Sawyer
Bryant	Horton	Schamerhorn
Butler	Illg	Schlegel
Carlson	Jackson	Spell
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	St. Blanc
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Stagni
Carter, R.	Jordan	Tarver
Carter, W.	Kerner	Taylor
Carver	Knox	Thomas
Chassion	LaCombe	Thompson
Chenevert	LaFleur	Turner
Coates	Landry, M.	Ventrella
Cox	Landry, T.	Villio
Crews	Larvadain	Wilder
Deshotel	Lyons	Wright
Dewitt	Mack	Wyble
Domangue	Marcelle	Zeringue
Echols	Martinez	
Total - 98		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Bagley	Landry, J.	Young
Dickerson	Walters	
Geymann	Wiley	
Total - 7		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Carver 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 835—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHAMERHORN  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:302.9(H) through (J) and to enact R.S. 56:302.9(K), relative to charter guide wildlife management area access permits; to create an annual charter guide wildlife management area access permit; to establish a fee for the permit; to provide for the privileges conveyed by the permit; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Schamerhorn sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Schamerhorn to Engrossed House Bill No. 835 by Representative Schamerhorn

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 13, after "within a" and before "may" change "WMA" to "wildlife management area"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 14, after "satisfies the" and before "access" change "WMA" to "wildlife management area"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 15, after "within a" and before the period "." change "WMA" to "wildlife management area"

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

Rep. Schamerhorn moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Egan	McFarland
Adams	Fisher	McMahen
Amedee	Fontenot	McMakin
Bacala	Freeman	Melerine
Bamburg	Freiberg	Miller
Beaullieu	Gadberry	Moore
Berault	Galle	Murray
Billings	Glorioso	Muscarello
Boudreaux	Green	Owen
Bourriaque	Hebert	Riser
Boyer	Henry, C.	Sawyer
Brass	Henry, D.	Schamerhorn
Braud	Hilferty	Schlegel
Butler	Horton	Spell
Carlson	Illg	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Jackson	Stagni
Carrier	Jordan	Tarver
Carter, R.	Kerner	Taylor
Carter, W.	Knox	Thomas
Carver	LaCombe	Thompson
Chassion	LaFleur	Turner
Chenevert	Landry, T.	Ventrella
Coates	Larvadain	Villio
Cox	Lyons	Wilder
Crews	Mack	Wright
Deshotel	Marcelle	Wyble
Domangue	Martinez	Zeringue
Edmonston	McCormick	
Total - 83		

NAYS

Bayham	Firment	Phelps
Broussard	Johnson, M.	Walters
Bryant	Newell	
Dewitt	Orgeron	
Total - 10		

ABSENT

Bagley	Farnum	Landry, M.
Boyd	Geymann	Mena
Dickerson	Johnson, T.	Wiley
Echols	Landry, J.	Young
Total - 12		

The Chair declared the above bill, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Schamerhorn 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.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Dewitt requested the House consent to correct his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 835 from yea to nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 870—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER  
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1060.9, relative to health insurance; to establish requirements for formulary placement and cost-sharing obligations for specific generic drugs and biosimilars; to prohibit certain utilization management practices; to provide definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Turner, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Turner gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 870 from the calendar on Monday, April 13, 2026.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 905—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3217(B)(1), relative to the Universities of Louisiana Maritime Academy; to provide for the name of the program; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Wright, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Wright gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 905 from the calendar on Tuesday, April 14, 2026.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 915—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:460.74, relative to the state medical assistance program; to provide a utilization management process; to provide established time frames for managed care organizations to make determinations; to provide guidelines for a managed care organization's failure to make a determination; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Edmonston, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 933—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE OWEN

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:38.1 and R.S. 40:40(18), relative to vital record forms and fees for certified copies; to provide for commemorative birth certificates; to distribute fees; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Horton, on behalf of the Legislative Bureau, sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Horton on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed House Bill No. 933 by Representative Owen

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, following "and" and before ", relative" change "R.S. 40:40(18)" to "40(18)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, delete line 1

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

Rep. Owen moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker	Egan	McFarland
Adams	Farnum	McMahan
Amedee	Firment	McMakin
Bacala	Fisher	Melerine
Bamburg	Fontenot	Mena
Bayham	Freeman	Miller
Beaullieu	Freiberg	Moore
Berault	Gadberry	Murray
Billings	Galle	Muscarello
Boudreaux	Geymann	Newell
Bourriague	Glorioso	Orgeron
Boyd	Green	Owen
Boyer	Hebert	Phelps
Brass	Henry, C.	Riser
Braud	Henry, D.	Sawyer
Broussard	Hilferty	Schamerhorn
Bryant	Horton	Schlegel
Butler	Illg	Spell
Carlson	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Stagni
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Tarver
Carter, R.	Jordan	Taylor
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thomas
Carver	Knox	Thompson
Chassion	LaCombe	Ventrella
Chenevert	LaFleur	Villio
Coates	Landry, T.	Walters
Cox	Larvadain	Wilder
Crews	Lyons	Wright
Deshotel	Mack	Wyble
Dewitt	Marcelle	Zeringue
Domangue	Martinez	
Edmonston	McCormick	
Total - 97		

**NAYS**

Total - 0

**ABSENT**

Bagley	Landry, J.	Wiley
Dickerson	Landry, M.	Young
Echols	Turner	
Total - 8		

The Chair declared the above bill, having received a two-thirds vote of the elected members, was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Owen 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.

**Speaker DeVillier in the Chair**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 938—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S.22:1863(11), 1868, 1868.1 and R.S. 39:1600.1(D)(1), the introductory paragraph of R.S. 39:1600.1(D)(2), and R.S. 39:1600.1(D)(3), (4), (6), and (11)(a); to enact R.S. 22:1868.2; and to repeal Section 5 of Act No. 474 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to pharmacy benefit managers; to provide for definitions; to provide for pharmacy reimbursement; to provide for pharmacy benefit manager income restrictions and rebate pass-through; to provide for disclosure requirements; to provide for commissioner access to data; to provide for procurement of pharmacy benefit manager services by reverse auction; to provide for implementation and effective dates; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Turner sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Turner to Engrossed House Bill No. 938 by Representative Turner

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 13, change "§1868. ~~Local pharmacy~~ Pharmacy" to "§1868. Local pharmacy"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 16, after "reimburse any" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 17 and 18 and insert the following in lieu thereof: "contracted pharmacist or local"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 23, delete "network and" and insert "contracted pharmacists or"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, at the end of line 24, delete the comma "," and insert a period "."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, delete lines 25 and 26 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 27, delete "prescription drug manager."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 3, line 3, change "B." to "A. B."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, line 6, after "Section." delete the remainder of the line and delete line 7 and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"The provisions of this Section shall apply only to reimbursement for a contracted pharmacist or local pharmacy."

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 3, line 8, change "C." to "B. C."

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, line 21, change "D." to "C. D."

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

Rep. Turner sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Turner to Engrossed House Bill No. 938 by Representative Turner

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the end of line 2, delete "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 3 and 4 and insert in lieu thereof "(D)(2)(introductory paragraph), (3), (4), (6), and (11)(a), to enact R.S. 22:1868.2, and to repeal Section 5 of Act No. 474 of the"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete line 12 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following: "R.S. 22:1863(11), 1868, and 1868.1 are hereby amended and reenacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 3, change "B." to "A. B."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 8, change "C." to "B. C."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, delete lines 26 through 29, insert the following:

~~"(1) Adopt a reimbursement formula using either NADAC as the prescription drug pricing benchmark or, with prior written approval by the commissioner, an alternative prescription drug pricing benchmark that results in claim payment errors that are both comparable to or less than NADAC in terms of frequency and smaller than NADAC in terms of magnitude.~~

(2) Adopt a reimbursement formula using an adjustment factor that, based on claims experience data available to the pharmacy benefit manager, is reasonably expected to result in a claim payment

error rate of no more than two percent per drug as identified by its national drug code.

(3) (2) Adopt an appeal process for pharmacists to challenge claim payment errors that, at a minimum, meets the following requirements:

(a) A network or local pharmacy contract executed by and between a pharmacy benefit manager and a pharmacy located in Louisiana shall, at a minimum, contain a provision expressly acknowledging that if a Louisiana pharmacy's reimbursement for any covered drug or device is less than the pharmacy's acquisition cost for that drug or device, the pharmacy has the right to appeal that reimbursement and, if successful, receive additional payment so that the total reimbursement is equal to the pharmacy's demonstrated acquisition cost. The pharmacy benefit manager shall direct the pharmacy to the pharmacy benefit manager's electronic and written appeal locations.

(b) Permit appeals to be filed for a period of fifteen days following the applicable date of payment.

(c) If an appeal is filed with the pharmacy benefit manager, the pharmacy must include a written invoice from the wholesaler that includes the drug name, national drug code number, purchase date, and cost of the drug.

(d) If a claim payment error occurred, the pharmacy benefit manager shall make an additional payment to the pharmacy to increase the reimbursement amount to the acquisition cost.

(e) The pharmacy benefit manager shall individually notify all pharmacies using the same customary supplier or wholesaler that a claim payment error occurred and that the pharmacy may reverse and resubmit the claim to correct the claim payment error. The pharmacy benefit manager shall make retroactive price adjustments in the next payment cycle.

(f) If a pharmacy benefit manager determines that a claim payment error did not occur, it shall provide the pharmacy or pharmacist with an explanation of why it has upheld the payment, including a specific documentation of the acquisition cost on the date of service. The explanation shall be provided electronically or in writing through customary means of communication between the pharmacy benefit manager and the pharmacy or pharmacist. The explanation shall also include a notice in at least ten-point font stating that, if the pharmacy or pharmacist disagrees with the decision, the pharmacy or pharmacist may file a complaint with the Department of Insurance."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 4, delete line 16 in its entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 7, delete lines 6 through 8 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 9, delete line 5 its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 2. R.S. 39:1600.1(D)(1), (2)(introductory paragraph), (3), (4), (6)"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 9, delete lines 17 and 18 in their entirety

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## AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 9, delete lines 24 through 26 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"(4) The division of administration shall not award a contract for procurement of the technology platform and technology provider services to a vendor that is a PBM or a vendor that is managed by or a subsidiary or affiliate of a PBM. In order"

## AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 10, delete lines 7 through 10 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"(6)(a) With technical assistance and support provided by the technology platform provider, the division of administration shall specify the terms of the participant bidding agreement which shall not be modified except by specific consent of the division of administration."

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

Rep. Turner moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

### ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

#### YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Domangue	Marcelle
Adams	Echols	McCormick
Amedee	Edmonston	McFarland
Bacala	Egan	McMahan
Bagley	Farnum	McMakin
Bamburg	Firment	Melerine
Bayham	Fisher	Miller
Beaullieu	Fontenot	Moore
Berault	Freiberg	Muscarello
Billings	Gadberry	Orgeron
Boudreaux	Geymann	Owen
Bourriague	Glorioso	Phelps
Boyer	Green	Riser
Brass	Hebert	Sawyer
Braud	Henry, C.	Schamerhorn
Broussard	Henry, D.	Schlegel
Butler	Hilferty	Spell
Carlson	Horton	St. Blanc
Carpenter	Illg	Stagni
Carrier	Jackson	Tarver
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Thomas
Carver	Jordan	Thompson
Chassion	Kerner	Turner
Chenevert	Knox	Ventrella
Coates	LaCombe	Villio
Cox	LaFleur	Wilder
Crews	Landry, T.	Wright
Deshotel	Lyons	Wyble
Dewitt	Mack	Zeringue
Total - 87		

#### NAYS

Boyd	Freeman	Murray
Bryant	Landry, M.	Newell
Carter, W.	Mena	Taylor
Total - 9		

#### ABSENT

Dickerson	Landry, J.	Walters
Galle	Larvadain	Wiley
Johnson, T.	Martinez	Young

Total - 9

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Turner 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.

### Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Green requested the House consent to correct his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 938 from nay to yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

### Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Jackson requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 938 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

### Consent to Correct a Vote Record

Rep. Terry Landry requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 938 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

### HOUSE BILL NO. 987—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:1492 and R.S. 36:358(E)(2) and (G), relative to the Louisiana State University Energy Institute; to provide for the unification of energy-related programs by moving the Louisiana Geological Survey under the Louisiana State University Energy Institute; to provide for the responsibilities of the Louisiana Geological Survey; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. McFarland moved the final passage of the bill.

### ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

#### YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Egan	McCormick
Adams	Farnum	McFarland
Amedee	Firment	McMahan
Bacala	Fisher	McMakin
Bamburg	Fontenot	Melerine
Bayham	Freeman	Mena
Beaullieu	Freiberg	Miller
Berault	Gadberry	Moore
Billings	Galle	Murray
Boudreaux	Geymann	Muscarello
Bourriague	Glorioso	Newell
Boyd	Green	Orgeron
Boyer	Hebert	Owen
Brass	Henry, C.	Phelps
Braud	Henry, D.	Riser
Broussard	Hilferty	Sawyer
Bryant	Horton	Schamerhorn
Carlson	Illg	Schlegel
Carpenter	Jackson	Spell
Carrier	Johnson, M.	St. Blanc
Carter, R.	Johnson, T.	Stagni
Carter, W.	Jordan	Tarver
Carver	Kerner	Taylor

Chassion	Knox	Thomas
Chenevert	LaCombe	Thompson
Coates	LaFleur	Ventrella
Cox	Landry, M.	Villio
Crews	Landry, T.	Walters
Deshotel	Larvadain	Wilder
Dewitt	Lyons	Wyble
Domangue	Mack	Zeringue
Echols	Marcelle	
Edmonston	Martinez	

Total - 0

NAYS

ABSENT

Bagley	Landry, J.	Wright
Butler	Turner	Young
Dickerson	Wiley	

Total - 8

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. McFarland 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1040—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:1105.1(A), relative to the Central Louisiana Juvenile Detention Center Authority; to provide relative to the membership of the board of commissioners of the authority; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Rep. Firmment moved the final passage of the bill.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Echols	Martinez
Adams	Edmonston	McCormick
Amedee	Egan	McFarland
Bacala	Farnum	McMahen
Bagley	Firmment	McMakin
Bamburg	Fisher	Melerine
Bayham	Fontenot	Mena
Beaullieu	Freeman	Miller
Berault	Freiberg	Moore
Billings	Galle	Murray
Boudreaux	Geymann	Muscarello
Bourriague	Glorioso	Newell
Boyd	Hebert	Orgeron
Boyer	Henry, C.	Owen
Brass	Henry, D.	Phelps
Braud	Hilferty	Riser
Broussard	Horton	Sawyer
Bryant	Illg	Schamerhorn
Carlson	Jackson	Schlegel
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Spell
Carrier	Johnson, T.	St. Blanc
Carter, R.	Jordan	Stagni
Carter, W.	Kerner	Tarver
Carver	Knox	Taylor

Chassion	LaCombe	Thomas
Chenevert	LaFleur	Thompson
Coates	Landry, M.	Turner
Cox	Landry, T.	Villio
Crews	Larvadain	Wilder
Deshotel	Lyons	Wright
Dewitt	Mack	Wyble
Domangue	Marcelle	Zeringue

Total - 96

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Butler	Green	Walters
Dickerson	Landry, J.	Wiley
Gadberry	Ventrella	Young

Total - 9

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Firmment 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 459—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1463(A), (E), (F), and (G) and to enact R.S. 18:1463(H) and (I), relative to required disclosures in political materials and communications; to provide for disclosures related to the use of artificial intelligence to create the image or likeness of a candidate; to provide for criminal penalties; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

Rep. Miller sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Miller to Engrossed House Bill No. 459 by Representative Mandie Landry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, delete lines 9 and 10 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(2) No person shall cause to be distributed or transmitted any oral, visual, digital, or written material containing any image, audio, or video of a known candidate or of a person who is known to be affiliated with the candidate which he knows or should be reasonably expected to know has been created or intentionally manipulated to create a realistic but false image, audio, or video with the intent to deceive a voter or injure the reputation of a known candidate in an election.

(3)(a) The provisions of Paragraph (2) of this Subsection shall not include any material that constitutes a work of political commentary, criticism, satire, or parody and that includes context and a disclosure sufficient to cause a reasonable person to understand that the material is not a factual or actual representation of a known candidate.

(b) The provisions of Paragraph (2) of this Subsection shall not apply to a media entity or provider of services, including but not limited to an interactive computer service or a provider of telecommunications or information services, who has no input in or control over the content of the image, audio, or video.

(4) For purposes of this Subsection, the following terms have the following meanings:

(a) "Artificial intelligence" has the same meaning as provided in R.S. 14:73.14.

(b) "Information services" has the same meaning as provided in 47 U.S.C. 153.

(c) "Interactive computer service" has the same meaning as provided in 47 U.S.C. 230(f).

(d) "Known candidate" means a person who has qualified for an elected public office or who has publicly announced that he is seeking an elected public office, whichever occurs first.

(e) "Media entity" has the same meaning as provided in Subparagraph (E)(5)(b) of this Section.

(f) "Telecommunications" has the same meaning as provided in 47 U.S.C. 153."

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

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Mandie Landry, the bill, as amended, was returned to the calendar.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 81—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE BOYER  
AN ACT

To enact Civil Code Article 688.1, relative to branches and roots on neighboring property; to authorize removal of branches and roots in certain circumstances; to require notification; to provide for damages; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

Rep. Boyer sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Boyer to Engrossed House Bill No. 81 by Representative Boyer

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 14, after "mail" and before "in" insert "or commercial courier with confirmation of delivery"

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

Rep. Firment sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Firment to Engrossed House Bill No. 81 by Representative Boyer

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 12, after "trimmed" and before "by" delete "only"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, delete lines 3 through 5 in their entirety and insert the following:

"C. Nothing in this Article shall preclude a landowner from removing the branches or roots of trees, bushes, or plants that extend into the landowner's property himself, without notification, if the removal is conducted in a reasonable manner and does not cause material damage to the health of the tree, bush, or plant."

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

Rep. Boyer moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Deshotel	Landry, T.
Adams	Dewitt	Larvadain
Amedee	Domangue	Lyons
Bacala	Echols	Mack
Bamburg	Edmonston	Martinez
Bayham	Egan	McMahan
Beaullieu	Firment	McMakin
Berault	Fisher	Melerine
Billings	Fontenot	Mena
Boudreaux	Freeman	Miller
Bourriaque	Freiberg	Moore
Boyd	Gadberry	Newell
Boyer	Galle	Orgeron
Brass	Glorioso	Owen
Braud	Green	Phelps
Broussard	Hebert	Riser
Bryant	Henry, C.	Sawyer
Butler	Hilferty	Schamerhorn
Carlson	Horton	Schlegel
Carpenter	Illg	Spell
Carrier	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carter, R.	Johnson, M.	Taylor
Carter, W.	Johnson, T.	Thomas
Carver	Jordan	Turner
Chassion	Kerner	Ventrella
Chenevert	Knox	Villio
Coates	LaCombe	Wilder
Cox	LaFleur	Wright
Crews	Landry, M.	Wyble
Total - 87		

NAYS

McCormick	Muscarello	Thompson
Total - 3		

ABSENT

Bagley	Landry, J.	Tarver
Dickerson	Marcelle	Walters
Farnum	McFarland	Wiley
Geymann	Murray	Young
Henry, D.	Stagni	Zeringue
Total - 15		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Boyer 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.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 400—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:402(F), relative to the dates of bond and tax elections; to provide that bond and tax elections shall be held only on regularly scheduled fall election dates; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Fontenot, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Fontenot gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 400 from the calendar on Monday, April 13, 2026.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 154—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:315.1(C)(8) and to enact R.S. 9:315.1(C)(9) and 405.1 through 405.3, relative to acknowledgment of paternity and collection of child support; to provide for deviation from the child support guidelines; to provide for acknowledgment of paternity for minors; to provide with respect to judicial authorization of acknowledgment of paternity for minors; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. McMakin, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. McMakin gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 154 from the calendar on Monday, April 13, 2026.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 410—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHLEGEL AND EDMONSTON  
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 7 of Code Title IV of Book III of Title 9 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 9:2790.1 through 2790.4, relative to in-person communication; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for definitions; to require individuals to be informed they are being recorded; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

Rep. Schlegel sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Schlegel to Engrossed House Bill No. 410 by Representative Schlegel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 2, after "use a" and before "device" insert "portable"

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

Rep. Schlegel sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Schlegel to Engrossed House Bill No. 410 by Representative Schlegel

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, between lines 24 and 25, insert the following:

"(9) Recordings or transcriptions of a conversation if the person recording or transcribing the conversation is not a participant."

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

Rep. Schlegel moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Fisher	McMahan
Berault	Freiberg	Mena
Billings	Gadberry	Miller
Boyd	Glorioso	Moore
Brass	Green	Muscarello
Braud	Henry, D.	Newell
Broussard	Hilferty	Phelps
Bryant	Horton	Sawyer
Butler	Jackson	Schlegel
Carpenter	Johnson, M.	Spell
Carrier	Jordan	St. Blanc
Carter, W.	Kerner	Stagni
Carver	Knox	Taylor
Coates	LaFleur	Thomas
Cox	Landry, T.	Thompson
Dewitt	Lyons	Villio
Domangue	Mack	Wright
Edmonston	Marcelle	Wyble
Total - 54		

NAYS

Adams	Farnum	McCormick
Amedee	Firment	McMakin
Bacala	Fontenot	Murray
Bayham	Freeman	Orgeron
Boudreaux	Galle	Owen
Bourriaque	Geymann	Schamerhorn
Carlson	Hebert	Tarver
Carter, R.	Henry, C.	Turner
Chenevert	Illg	Ventrella
Crews	LaCombe	Wilder
Deshotel	Landry, M.	
Egan	Martinez	
Total - 34		

ABSENT

Bagley	Echols	Riser
Bamburg	Johnson, T.	Walters

Beaulieu  
Boyer  
Chassion  
Dickerson  
Total - 17

Landry, J.  
Larvadain  
McFarland  
Melerine

Wiley  
Young  
Zeringue

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

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

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Carlson requested the House consent to record his vote on final passage of House Bill No. 410 as nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Chenevert requested the House consent to correct her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 410 from yea to nay, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 463—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9109(C)(2), relative to communications districts; to provide relative to commercial mobile radio services; to provide relative to emergency telephone service charges; to increase the maximum allowable emergency telephone service charge; to provide for an annual report; to provide for requirements to levy a service charge; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. McMakin, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. McMakin gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 463 from the calendar on Monday, April 13, 2026.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 827—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN  
AN ACT

To enact Part II of Chapter 16 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 37:1381 through 37:1391, relative to plumbing workforce development; to create the Louisiana Plumbing Workforce Access Act; to establish an institution-based pathway to plumbing licensure; to provide for curriculum standards; to provide for responsibilities of Louisiana Works and the Louisiana Community and Technical College System; to authorize competency-based assessment; to create an industry rotation program; to provide for employer incentives; to establish a returning citizen pathway; to provide for reciprocity by examination; to provide for rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

Rep. Jordan sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Jordan to Engrossed House Bill No. 827 by Representative Jordan

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 10, after "the" and before "pathway" insert "licensing"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, line 11, change "no" to "at minimum"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, line 12, delete "less frequently than"

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

Rep. Fontenot sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Fontenot to Engrossed House Bill No. 827 by Representative Jordan

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 2 through 10 in their entirety and insert the following:

"To amend and reenact R.S. 37:2150, 2150.1, 2156(D), (E), (K)(1), and (L) through (N), 2156.1(A)(7), (B)(1), and (I), 2158(A)(introductory paragraph), and 2164(A), (B), (H), and (I), to enact R.S. 37:2155.1, 2156(O), 2156.1.1 and 2158(A)(24) and Part II of Chapter 24 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 37:2175.1 through 2175.10, and to repeal Chapter 16 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:1361 through 1380, relative to licensing of plumbers; to provide the State Licensing Board for Contractors the power to license and regulate licensure of plumbers and plumbing contractors; to provide for definitions; to provide for a Plumbing Contractors Subcommittee of the State Licensing Board for Contractors; to provide for licensing fees and penalties; to create the Louisiana Plumbing Workforce Access Act; to establish an institution-based pathway to plumbing licensure; to provide for curriculum standards; to provide for responsibilities of Louisiana Works and the Louisiana Community and Technical College System; to authorize competency-based assessment; to create an industry rotation program; to provide for employer incentives; to establish a returning citizen pathway; to provide for reciprocity by examination; to provide for rules and regulations; to abolish the State Plumbing Board; to provide for the transfer of assets and obligations from the State Plumbing Board to the State Licensing Board for Contractors; to provide for an effective date; to provide for the grandfathering of existing plumbing licenses; and to provide for related matters."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 12 through 19 in their entirety and insert the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 37:2150, 2150.1, 2156(D), (E), (K)(1), and (L) through (N), 2156.1(A)(7), (B)(1), and (I), 2158(A)(introductory paragraph), and 2164(A), (B), (H), and (I) are hereby amended and

reenacted and R.S. 37:2155.1, 2156(O), 2156.1.1 and 2158(A)(24) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2150. Purpose; legislative intent

The purpose of the legislature in enacting this Chapter is the protection of the health, safety, and general welfare of all those persons dealing with persons engaged in the contracting and plumbing vocation vocations, and the affording of such persons of an effective and practical protection against the incompetent, inexperienced, unlawful, and fraudulent acts of contractors or plumbers with whom they contract. Further, the legislative intent is that the State Licensing Board for Contractors shall monitor construction and plumbing projects to ensure compliance with the licensure requirements of this Chapter.

§2150.1. Definitions

As used in this Chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "Apprentice plumber license" means the license that may be granted to a natural person engaged in learning the plumbing trade by working under the direct, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman plumber or master plumber, and in the employ of an employing entity. Apprentice plumbers shall be placed in an apprenticeship approved by the board.

(2) "Board" means the State Licensing Board for Contractors.

(3) "Commercial" means any construction project except residential structures intended to be primarily occupied as a residence with no more than two separate dwelling units incorporated into one structure.

(4) "Contract" means an agreement to perform a scope of work that is regulated by this Chapter. The project value includes the entire cost of the labor, materials, rentals, and all direct and indirect project expenses. The cost of materials, rentals, and direct and indirect expenses shall be included regardless of who pays the costs or if they are donated. The "principal contract" is the agreement to perform the entire scope of work for a construction project.

(5)(a) "Contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment for any of the following:

(i) Any building, highway, road, railroad, sewer, grading, excavation, pipeline, public utility structure, project development, housing, or housing development, improvement, or any other construction undertaking for which the project value is fifty thousand dollars or more when the property is to be used for commercial purposes.

(ii) Any new residential structure for which the project value is fifty thousand dollars or more when the property is used for residential purposes.

(iii) Any improvements or repairs to an existing residential structure for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

(iv) Any mold remediation for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

(v) Any plumbing work.

(b) The term "contractor" includes persons who receive an additional fee for the employment or direction of labor, or any other work beyond the normal architectural or engineering services.

(c) A contractor holding a license in the major classification of hazardous materials, or any subclassifications thereunder, is defined in terms of work performed for which the project value is one dollar or more.

(d) "Contractor" does not mean any person, supplier, manufacturer, or employee of such person who assembles, repairs, maintains, moves, puts up, tears down, or disassembles any patented or proprietary equipment supplied by such person to a contractor to be used solely by the contractor for a construction undertaking. "Proprietary" means specific and specialized equipment installation, manufacturing processes, used, or components that are protected from disclosure to third parties by the owner or manufacturer of the equipment.

(6) "Controlled access" means the complete building or facility area under direct physical control within which an unauthorized person is denied access.

(7) "Electrical contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, or furnishing labor together with material and equipment, or installing the same for the wiring, fixtures, or appliances for the supply of electricity to any residential, commercial, or other project, for which the project value is ten thousand dollars or more. This Paragraph is not deemed or construed to limit the authority of a contractor, general contractor, or residential contractor, as those terms are defined in this Section, nor to require such individuals to become an electrical contractor.

(8) "Employee" means a worker whose employer deducts taxes from his wages and reports his annual earnings to the Internal Revenue Service using a W-2 form.

(9) "Executive director" means the person appointed by the board to serve as the chief operating officer in connection with the day-to-day operation of the board's business. The executive director is the appointing authority for all employees of the board.

(10)(a) "General contractor" means a person who contracts directly with the owner. The term "general contractor" includes the term "primary contractor" and wherever used in this Chapter or in regulations promulgated thereunder "primary contractor" means "general contractor".

(b) "General contractor" does not mean any person, supplier, manufacturer, or employee of such person who assembles, repairs, maintains, moves, puts up, tears down, or disassembles any patented or proprietary equipment supplied by such person to a contractor to be used solely by the contractor for a construction undertaking.

(11) "Home improvement" means the reconstruction, alteration, renovation, repair, modernization, conversion, improvement, removal, or demolition, or the construction of an addition to any preexisting residential structure which building is used or designed to be used as a residence or dwelling unit, or to structures which are adjacent to such residence or building for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more. "Home improvement" does not include services rendered gratuitously.

(12) "Home improvement contractor" means any person who undertakes or attempts to undertake or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of a home improvement project for

which the project value is at least seven thousand five hundred dollars but less than fifty thousand dollars. A home improvement contractor shall not perform any structural work that is integral to the structural integrity of any new or existing structure, including but not limited to footings, foundations, outside walls, skeleton, bearing columns and interior load bearing walls, floor slabs, or roofing systems to any type.

(13) "Journeyman plumber license" means the license that may be granted to a natural person who possesses the necessary qualifications and knowledge to install, alter, repair, and maintain plumbing systems; is supervised by a master plumber; and is in the employ of an employing entity.

(14) "License" means any form of license or registration the board is authorized to issue in accordance with this Chapter.

(15) "Master plumber license" means the license that may be granted to a natural person who possesses the necessary qualifications and knowledge to plan and lay out plumbing systems; and who supervises journeyman plumbers in the installation, alteration, or repair of plumbing systems.

(16) "Master plumbing contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment regarding plumbing in any structure or setting, and is licensed by the board to do the same.

(17) "Mechanical contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, or furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material and equipment, or installing the same for the construction, installation, maintenance, testing, and repair of air conditioning, refrigeration, heating systems, and plumbing for all residential, commercial, and industrial applications as well as ventilation systems, mechanical work controls, boilers and other pressure vessels, steam and hot water systems and piping, gas piping and fuel storage, and chilled water and condensing water systems and piping, including but not limited to any type of industrial process piping and related valves, fittings, and components, for which the project value is ten thousand dollars or more. This Paragraph is not deemed or construed to limit the authority of a contractor, general contractor, or residential contractor, as those terms are defined in this Section, nor to require such individuals to become a mechanical contractor.

(18) "Mold remediation contractor" means any person who engages in removal, cleaning, sanitizing, demolition, or other treatment, including preventative activities, of mold or mold-contaminated matter that was not purposely grown at that location for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more. Mold remediation applies only to the regulation of mold-related activities that affect indoor air quality and does not apply to routine cleaning when not conducted for the purpose of mold-related activities intended to affect indoor air quality.

(19) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, association, cooperative, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other entity recognized by Louisiana law; and whether or not acting as a principal, trustee, fiduciary, receiver, or as any other kind of legal or personal representative, or as a successor in interest, assignee, agent, factor, servant, employee, director, officer, or any other representative of such person; or any state or local governing authority or political subdivision.

(20) "Plumber" means a natural person who performs the work or business of installing in buildings and on premises the pipes, fixtures, and other apparatus for supplying water, or removing liquid waste or water-borne waste, and fixtures, vessels and process piping that is in direct contact with products for human consumption.

(21) "Plumbing contractor" means any person who installs, maintains, and repairs potable and nonpotable tap water or sewer systems within a building structure or residential structure for which the project value is ten thousand dollars or more undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment regarding plumbing.

(22) "Principal" means an owner, shareholder, or an officer or director of a corporation; a member or manager of a limited liability company; a general partner of a partnership; a sole proprietor; a trustee; or a full-time employee with similar operational control or significant influence with respect to any person as determined by the board.

(23) "Qualifying party" means a natural person designated by the contractor to represent the contractor for the purpose of complying with the provisions of this Chapter including but not limited to meeting the requirements for the initial license and any continuation thereof.

(24)(a) "Residential contractor" means any person who constructs a fixed building or structure for sale or use by another as a residence or who, for a price, commission, fee, wage, or other compensation, undertakes or offers to undertake the construction or superintending of the construction of any residential structure which is not more than three floors in height, to be used by another as a residence, for which the project value is fifty thousand dollars or more. The term "residential contractor" includes all persons who receive an additional fee for the employment or direction of labor, or any other work beyond the normal architectural or engineering services.

(b) "Residential contractor" includes both of the following:

(i) Any person bidding or performing home improvement for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

(ii) Any person performing the installation of a modular home with a value equal to or greater than fifty thousand dollars for which the total project value shall not include the cost of the component parts of the modular home in the condition each part leaves the factory pursuant to R.S. 40:1730.71.

(c) "Residential contractor" does not include any person engaged in building residential structures that are built to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's construction standards for manufactured housing as outlined at 42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq., or mounted on a metal chassis and wheels.

(25) "Residential plumbing contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment regarding plumbing in any residential structure that is not more than three floors in height, to be used by another as a residence, for which the project value is fifty thousand dollars or more, and is licensed by the board to do the same.

~~(20)~~ (26) "Residential roofing" means the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with materials or equipment, or the installation of materials or equipment for any phase of roofing specific to a residential structure for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

~~(21)~~ (27) "Residential roofing contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid, or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of a residential roofing project for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

~~(22)~~ (28) "Residential structure" means a building or structure that is used primarily for occupancy by a person as a residence. Such structures or buildings include but are not limited to single family dwellings and duplexes which are not more than three floors in height and structures that are part of or adjacent to the building or structures to be used as a residence. A residential structure more than three floors in height may be built by a person holding a building construction and residential construction license.

~~(23)~~ (29) "Subcontract" means an agreement to perform a portion of the scope of work contained in the principal contract including the entire cost of labor and materials of that part of the principal contract which is performed by the subcontractor.

~~(24)~~ (30)(a) "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts to perform a scope of work that is a part of the scope of work contained in the principal contract.

(b) "Subcontractor" does not include any person, supplier, or manufacturer who assembles, repairs, maintains, moves, puts up, tears down, or disassembles any patented or proprietary equipment supplied by such person to a contractor to be used solely by the contractor for a construction undertaking.

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§2155.1. Plumbing Contractors Subcommittee; membership; terms; powers; duties

A.(1) There is hereby established within the board the Plumbing Contractors Subcommittee, hereinafter referred to as "plumbing subcommittee", consisting of the following eleven members appointed by the governor, each of whom shall be a resident of this state, and each of whom shall have been actively engaged in plumbing or contracting for at least five years prior to his appointment by the governor.

(a) Three members, each of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors Association of Louisiana.

(b) Three members, each of whom shall be appointed from the membership of The United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada.

(c) One member who shall be appointed from the membership of the Louisiana Associated General Contractors.

(d) One member who shall be appointed from the membership of the Associated Builders and Contractors of Louisiana.

(e) One member who shall be appointed from the membership of the Louisiana Home Builders Association.

(f) Two members, each of whom shall not be associated with the plumbing industry, to serve as members-at-large.

(2) Each State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education district shall be represented among the membership provided in this Subsection.

B.(1) The terms of office for the initial members appointed to the plumbing subcommittee is three members for a three-year term, four members for a two-year term, and four members for a one-year term, to be determined by the governor. Thereafter, all members are to be appointed for six-year terms.

(2) All terms commence thirty days after appointment, and all members shall serve until their successors have been appointed and qualified. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the plumbing subcommittee for any reason shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired term. No member appointed may serve more than two consecutive six-year terms.

(3) A member may be removed by the governor for cause; or at the request of the chairperson for failure to attend more than half of the regularly scheduled meetings within a twelve-month period or for cause.

C. The executive director of the board shall serve as executive director of the plumbing subcommittee and does not have voting privileges.

D.(1) A member of the board shall serve as an ex officio member of the plumbing subcommittee and shall serve as the liaison between the plumbing subcommittee and the board. He shall be appointed by the chairperson of the board and shall serve as the chairperson of the plumbing subcommittee. His presence at a meeting of the plumbing subcommittee may be counted toward establishing a quorum of the plumbing subcommittee, and he shall have voting privileges only if either of the following circumstances exists:

(a) His presence is necessary to establish a quorum of the plumbing subcommittee and there is a tie vote between the appointed members of the plumbing subcommittee.

(b) His presence is necessary to establish a quorum of the plumbing subcommittee, only one appointed member of the plumbing subcommittee is present, and an additional ex officio member has been appointed pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this Subsection.

(2) An additional ex officio member of the board shall serve on the plumbing subcommittee only if his presence, along with the ex officio member serving pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, is required to establish a quorum of the plumbing subcommittee. This additional ex officio member shall be appointed by the chairperson of the board and shall serve as the vice chairperson of the plumbing subcommittee. He shall have voting privileges only if there is a tie vote between appointed members of the plumbing subcommittee and the ex officio member serving as chairperson of the plumbing subcommittee.

(3) The board shall pay per diem and travel expenses for ex officio members.

E. A quorum of the plumbing subcommittee consists of a majority of its members and is sufficient to conduct plumbing subcommittee business. The plumbing subcommittee shall meet at least once every other month to conduct its business unless, for good cause, a meeting cannot be held. Notice of plumbing subcommittee meetings shall be posted on the board's official website and at the board's office at least ten days prior to the date when the plumbing subcommittee is to meet.

F. Each member of the plumbing subcommittee is entitled to a per diem allowance of seventy-five dollars for each meeting he attends and to be reimbursed for all travel expenses necessarily incurred in attending meetings.

G. Subject to the approval of the board, the plumbing subcommittee has all of the following powers and duties:

(1) To adopt rules and regulations to govern all plumbing contractors, apprentice plumbers, journeyman plumbers, and master plumbers in this state, including all specialty classifications and sub-classifications of plumbing or plumbing contracting as adopted by the board.

(2) To issue, suspend, or revoke licenses to do plumbing or plumbing business in this state pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter.

(3) To prescribe and adopt regulations and policies for continuing education for plumbers. However, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the plumbing subcommittee shall not approve for use by licensees any continuing education courses or written training programs provided by a member of the plumbing subcommittee, or by a legal entity in which a member has a controlling interest.

(4) To enforce against, prosecute, or enjoin all persons violating plumbing or plumbing contracting provisions of this Chapter, and rules and regulations of the board; to issue fines, penalties, and other costs for violations; and incur necessary expenses therein.

(5) If an alleged violation is known to the plumbing subcommittee, the plumbing subcommittee may correct it or take appropriate action without formal complaint.

§2156. Applications; licenses; fees; renewals

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D. The board may assess an additional surcharge of not more than four hundred dollars in connection with the application for and issuance of a contractor's or plumber's license to a contractor or plumber not domiciled in this state, to be utilized to defray the additional cost of the investigation of the application of the non-Louisiana contractor or plumber.

E. When issuing a license to any contractor or plumber, the board shall state the contractor's or plumber's classification on the license for which he has completed all of the requirements.

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K.(1) The board shall assess on each license renewal issued to a contractor, except a plumbing contractor, an additional fee of one hundred dollars per year to be dedicated and allocated as provided in this Subsection to any public university in this state or any community college school of construction management or construction technology in this state that is accredited by either the American Council for Construction Education or the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology. The board shall include on each license renewal form issued to a contractor an optional election whereby the contractor may choose to not participate in the remission of the additional one-hundred-dollar dedication fee.

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L.(1) The board shall assess on each license renewal issued to a plumbing contractor an additional fee of one hundred dollars per year to be dedicated and allocated as provided in this Subsection to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System to be used exclusively for training programs related to the plumbing trade. The board shall include on each license renewal form issued to a plumbing contractor an optional election whereby that plumbing contractor may choose to not participate in the allocation of the additional one hundred dollar dedication fee.

(2) The monies collected pursuant to this Subsection are in addition to any other monies received by those schools and are intended to supplement and not replace, displace, or supplant any other monies received from the state or from any other source.

(3) Monies collected pursuant to this Subsection shall be disbursed to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System by October first of each year upon the completion of the annual audit of the board, after subtracting a two percent administrative fee on the total collected to be retained by the board.

M. The licenses issued pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter are not transferable.

~~M~~ N. No license shall be issued to any domestic or foreign entity required to be registered with the secretary of state which does not hold a certificate of authority to do business in good standing.

~~N~~ O. Except for the licenses, fees, and assessments authorized by this Chapter, and except for the occupational license taxes authorized by the constitution and laws of this state, and except for permit fees charged by parishes and municipalities for inspection purposes, and except for licenses required by parishes and municipalities for the purpose of determining the competency of mechanical or plumbing contractors, or both, and electrical contractors, no contractor shall be liable for any fee or license as a condition of engaging in the contracting business.

§2156.1. Requirements for issuance of a contractor's license

A. To become licensed in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter, an applicant shall make application to the board on a form adopted by the board and shall state the classifications for which he is applying from the list of major classifications listed herein or from the list of subclassifications and specialty classification as adopted by rule. The major classifications are:

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(7) Master Plumbing.

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B.(1) An applicant for a contractor's license or registration shall submit a financial statement on a form supplied by the board, current to within twelve months of the date of filing the application, prepared and signed by an accountant, bookkeeper, or certified public accountant and signed by the applicant, attesting the statement is true and correct. In lieu of a signature by a certified public accountant on the board's form, a current financial statement prepared by a certified public accountant may be attached.

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~~I.(1) Any plumbing contractor who currently holds a Master Plumber License from the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana shall be exempt from any trade examination requirement. Any person or business that advertises, solicits, undertakes, attempts, offers, or submits a price, bid, quote or estimate to construct, supervise, direct, oversee, or perform any construction, modification, repair, or maintenance of any portion of a plumbing system is required to hold the appropriate plumbing contractor license, classification, subclassification, or specialty classification.~~

(2) ~~Nothing in this Section shall be construed to permit plumbing contractors to perform plumbing work without first complying with the licensure provisions of Chapter 16 of this Title, R.S. 37:1361 et seq. A master plumbing contractor may contract to perform or supervise plumbing work for any structure. Master plumbing contractor qualifying party status may be obtained only by a licensed master plumber, and upon meeting all other requirements of licensure.~~

(3) A residential plumbing contractor may contract to perform or supervise plumbing work only for a structure, not more than three floors in height, to be used by another as a residence. Residential plumbing contractor qualifying party status may be obtained by a licensed journeyman plumber or a licensed master plumber, and upon meeting all other requirements of licensure.

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§2156.1.1. Requirements for issuance of a plumber's license; violations; penalties; classifications

A. Any natural person who engages in any plumbing work of any kind, including as an employee of a plumbing contractor, is required to possess the appropriate plumber's license. Licenses for plumbers shall be issued in accordance with any of the following:

(1) An applicant for licensure as an apprentice plumber shall register with the board in a method prescribed by the board and shall semi-annually verify his employment in the trade of apprentice plumber with the board in a method prescribed by the board.

(2) An applicant for licensure as a journeyman plumber may obtain that license from the board after the completion of two thousand hours of verified work as an apprentice plumber, and after passing both a written examination and a practical administration approved, recognized, or administered on behalf of the board.

(3) An applicant for licensure as a master plumber may obtain that license from the board after first becoming a licensed journeyman plumber, the completion of one thousand hours of verified work as a licensed journeyman plumber, and after successfully passing a written examination approved, recognized, or administered on behalf of the board.

B. A person may not perform plumbing work, or act as a plumber as defined in this Chapter, unless he holds an active license as a plumber in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter. The board or plumbing subcommittee may revoke, suspend, or refuse to renew a license; issue cease and desist orders to stop work; issue fines and penalties; or debar any person licensed pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter for a violation of any of the following requirements:

(1) An apprentice plumber shall work only under the supervision of a journeyman plumber or a master plumber.

(2) A journeyman plumber may be supervised by another journeyman plumber only if that supervising journeyman plumber is an employee of, or the qualifying party at, a residential plumbing contractor.

(3) A journeyman plumber may be supervised by a master plumber who is employed by or the qualifying party of a master plumbing contractor.

C. The plumbing subcommittee may promulgate rules and regulations for the issuance of apprentice, journeyman, and master plumber licenses or temporary working permits to persons possessing equivalent licenses or experience in another state and that are applying to perform work in this state, as well as any additional requirements or fees to be imposed for such a license or permit. Any rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to this Subsection shall comply with the Welcome Home Act, R.S. 37:51 et seq., if applicable.

D. Additional requirements for the issuance of plumber's licenses may be added by rule as the plumbing subcommittee deems appropriate.

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§2158. Revocation and suspension of licenses; issuance of cease and desist orders; debarment; violations; penalty; criminal penalty

A. No person may engage in the business of contracting, or act as a contractor as defined in this Chapter, unless he holds an active license as a contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter. The board, plumbing subcommittee, and residential subcommittee may revoke, suspend, or refuse to renew a license; issue cease and desist orders to stop work; issue fines and penalties; or debar any person licensed pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter for any of the following violations:

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(24) Undertaking, attempting, or submitting a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment regarding plumbing work without holding the plumbing contractor license required for that particular scope of work.

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§2164. Violations; civil penalty; jurisdiction

A. Any person who violates any provision of this Chapter shall, after notice and a hearing, be liable to the board for a fine of up to ten percent of the total contract or the value of the work bid or being performed for which there is a violation. In addition to the fine, the board may impose administrative costs and attorney fees for each offense. In determining the amount of the administrative penalty, the board, plumbing subcommittee, or residential subcommittee shall consider the circumstances and seriousness of the violation, cooperation on the part of the contractor, and the history of previous violations.

B. A monetary penalty assessed by the board, plumbing subcommittee, or the residential subcommittee is payable within ninety days or as provided by law. Failure to pay an outstanding penalty may be cause to deny issuance or renewal of a license or registration and may be subject to collection efforts as provided by law.

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H. Anyone violating this Chapter who fails to cease work, after proper hearing and notification from the board, shall not be eligible to apply for a contractor's license or a plumber's license for a period not to exceed one year from the date of official notification to cease work.

I.(1) All fines or penalties collected by the board pursuant to the provisions of this Section for violations of any provision of this Chapter, except for violations related to plumbing or plumbing contracting, shall, annually, at each audit of the board, be transferred to a separate contractor's educational trust fund to be used for educational purposes as determined by the trustees of the fund. The Construction Education Trust Fund shall make an audited financial report to the board annually.

(2) All fines or penalties collected by the board pursuant to the provisions of this Section for violations related to plumbing or plumbing contracting shall, annually, at each audit of the board, be transferred to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System to be used exclusively for training programs related to the plumbing trade.

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Section 2. Part II of Chapter 24 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:2175.1 through 2175.10, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

PART II. LOUISIANA PLUMBING WORKFORCE ACCESS ACT

§2175.1. Short title

This Part shall be known and may be cited as the "Louisiana Plumbing Workforce Access Act".

§2175.2. Definitions

As used in this Part, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "Approved institution" means a community college, vocational-technical school, or correctional facility training program that has received board approval to offer the Institutional Plumbing Pathway program pursuant to this Part.

(2) "Board" means the State Licensing Board for Contractors.

(3) "Competency checkpoint" means a standardized practical skills assessment administered or certified by the board at defined stages of the institutional pathway.

(4) "Industry rotation" means a structured period of supervised hands-on work experience completed by an Institutional Plumbing Pathway student at a participating licensed plumbing contractor's worksite.

(5) "Institutional Plumbing Pathway student" means a person enrolled in an approved institution's program established pursuant to this Part.

(6) "LCTCS" means the Louisiana Community and Technical College System.

(7) "Participating employer" means a licensed plumbing contractor that has registered with the board to accept Institutional Plumbing Pathway students for industry rotation as provided in this Part.

(8) "Returning citizen" means a person who has been released from a state or federal correctional facility within the preceding five years.

§2175.3. Institutional Plumbing Pathway established

A. The board, in coordination with LCTCS, shall establish the Institutional Plumbing Pathway as an alternative route to qualify for the journeyman plumber examination. The Institutional Plumbing Pathway consists of three components:

(1) Classroom and laboratory instruction at an approved institution as provided in R.S. 37:2175.5.

(2) Competency checkpoints as provided in R.S. 37:2175.6.

(3) Industry rotation as provided in R.S. 37:2175.7.

B. Completion of the Institutional Plumbing Pathway satisfies the experience and training requirements for application to sit for the journeyman plumber examination in lieu of the employer-sponsored apprenticeship requirements.

C. All other requirements for journeyman licensure, including passage of the journeyman plumber examination administered by the board, remain in full force and effect. Nothing in this Part shall be

construed to alter examination content, passing standards, or the board's authority over licensure decisions.

D. A person who completes the Institutional Plumbing Pathway is eligible to apply for any license classification established in accordance with this Chapter or administered by the board, including any license classifications established by law or rule on or after the effective date of this Part, if the applicant meets all applicable requirements. The board shall determine eligibility, scope of work, and appropriate level of licensure based on demonstrated competency, training, and experience.

E. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to waive or reduce any examination, competency, supervision, or public safety requirements established by either board.

§2175.4. Curriculum and laboratory standards

A. The board shall promulgate rules establishing minimum curriculum standards for approved institutions. Such standards shall include, at a minimum, all of the following:

(1) The Louisiana Plumbing Code, including all applicable state amendments to the International Plumbing Code.

(2) Pipe systems, materials, and installation techniques for residential, commercial, and industrial applications.

(3) Blueprint reading and plumbing system design.

(4) Workplace safety, including Occupational Safety and Health Administration standards applicable to plumbing work.

(5) Applied mathematics for the trades.

(6) Water supply, drainage, waste, and venting systems.

(7) Medical gas systems and specialty installations, at the board's discretion.

B. An approved institution shall maintain laboratory facilities sufficient to allow students to develop hands-on competency in pipe fitting, fixture installation, and system assembly under the supervision of a licensed master plumber or licensed journeyman plumber employed by the institution.

C. An institution seeking approval shall submit its proposed curriculum to the board for review. The board shall approve, conditionally approve, or deny the application within ninety days of receipt and shall provide written findings supporting its decision.

D. Approved institutions shall be subject to periodic review by the board no less frequently than every three years. The board may revoke or suspend approval for material deficiencies in curriculum, facilities, or instructional quality.

§2175.5. Competency checkpoints

A. The board shall establish a series of not fewer than three competency checkpoints to be completed by Institutional Plumbing Pathway students at defined stages of the program. Competency checkpoints shall assess practical skills in accordance with standards promulgated by the board.

B. Competency checkpoints shall be administered by board-certified assessors and shall be independent of the approved institution. No approved institution employee shall serve as the sole assessor for that institution's own students.

C. A student who fails a competency checkpoint may remediate and retake the assessment in accordance with rules promulgated by

the board. An approved institution shall provide remediation support for a student who does not pass.

D. Successful completion of all required competency checkpoints shall be documented by the board and constitutes official verification of the student's practical competency for purposes of qualification to sit for the journeyman plumber examination.

#### §2175.6. Industry rotation program

A. As a component of the Institutional Plumbing Pathway, a student shall complete a minimum of two thousand hours of industry rotation across at least three participating employers, with no single employer providing more than one thousand of the required rotation hours.

B. Industry rotation shall expose the student to a range of plumbing applications. An approved institution shall endeavor to ensure that each student completes rotation hours in at least two of the following categories:

- (1) Residential new construction.
- (2) Residential service and repair.
- (3) Commercial construction.
- (4) Industrial or institutional applications.

C. A participating employer shall do all of the following:

(1) Register with the board and maintain a current registration in good standing.

(2) Assign a licensed journeyman or master plumber to directly supervise each institutional pathway student at all times during industry rotation.

(3) Submit quarterly hour verification reports to the board in a form prescribed by the board.

(4) Certify that the student's work during rotation meets applicable safety and workmanship standards.

D. Rotation hours are portable. If a student's rotation with one participating employer is interrupted for any reason, documented hours shall be credited toward the student's total and shall not be forfeited upon transfer to another participating employer.

#### §2175.7. Returning citizen pathway

A. The board shall authorize approved institutions to include correctional facilities operating under the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections as delivery sites for the pre-apprenticeship and classroom components of the Institutional Plumbing Pathway.

B. A person incarcerated in a Louisiana correctional facility who completes a board-approved pre-apprenticeship plumbing program while incarcerated shall receive all of the following:

(1) Credit toward the classroom and laboratory instruction component of the Institutional Plumbing Pathway upon release.

(2) Automatic registration as an Institutional Plumbing Pathway student upon release, subject to any applicable licensing restrictions imposed by the board related to the nature of prior convictions.

(3) Eligibility to complete the industry rotation component through participating employers at no additional registration fee for a period of two years following release.

C. The board shall not deny licensure to a returning citizen solely on the basis of a prior conviction unless the conviction is directly and substantially related to the duties and responsibilities of a licensed plumber, as determined by the board in accordance with R.S. 37:2950.

D. Louisiana Works and the Reentry Advisory Council shall collaborate with the board to develop outreach, support services, and employer recruitment specific to the returning citizen pathway established by this Section.

#### §2175.8. Louisiana equivalency examination for out-of-state licensees

A. A person who holds a current and valid journeyman or master plumber license in good standing in another state may apply for licensure in this state by equivalency examination, in lieu of completing the Institutional Plumbing Pathway or an employer-sponsored apprenticeship.

B. The equivalency examination shall test the applicant's knowledge of all of the following:

(1) Amendments to the International Plumbing Code specific to this state.

(2) Administrative licensing requirements and board rules applicable to this state.

(3) Any specific construction or environmental conditions relevant to plumbing practice in this state.

C. An applicant who passes the equivalency examination and satisfies all other board requirements, including applicable background checks and fees, shall be issued a journeyman or master plumber license at the level commensurate with the applicant's out-of-state license.

D. The board shall promulgate rules establishing the content, passing score, and administration of the equivalency examination within one hundred eighty days of the effective date of this Part.

#### §2175.9. Financial assistance

A. Louisiana Works, in coordination with LCTCS and the board, may develop a financial assistance program for Institutional Plumbing Pathway students who demonstrate financial need. The program may include any of the following:

(1) Stipends for students during the industry rotation component.

(2) Reimbursement of examination fees for students who pass the journeyman or master plumber examination on the first attempt.

(3) Low-interest loans for tools, equipment, and program-related expenses.

B. A student who receives financial assistance from a program created pursuant to this Section and becomes licensed in this state shall commit to working as a licensed plumber in this state for not fewer than two years following licensure as a condition of assistance. Louisiana Works may promulgate rules governing repayment obligations for a student who does not satisfy this commitment.

C. Financial assistance in accordance with this Section shall be funded through appropriations made by the legislature. Louisiana Works shall report annually to the legislature on the number of students assisted, pass rates, and licensure outcomes.

#### §2175.10. Rulemaking; implementation

A. The board shall promulgate all rules necessary to implement this Part in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq. Initial rules shall be promulgated within one hundred eighty days of the effective date of this Part.

B. The board shall submit an annual report to the legislature and the governor, not later than February first of each year, beginning in the year following the first full year of program operation, which shall include all of the following:

(1) The number of approved institutions and their locations.

(2) Enrollment and completion rates, disaggregated by race, gender, geographic region, veteran status, and returning citizen status.

(3) Journeyman examination pass rates for Institutional Plumbing Pathway graduates compared to traditional apprentices.

(4) The number of participating employers and employer tax credits claimed.

(5) Recommendations for program improvements.

C. The board may enter into interagency agreements with LCTCS, the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Louisiana Works, and the Louisiana Department of Revenue as necessary to implement this Part.

Section 3. Chapter 16 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:1361 through 1380, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 4. The Louisiana State Law Institute is hereby directed to make technical changes to statutory laws as necessary to reflect the succession of the State Plumbing Board by the State Licensing Board for Contractors as provided in this Act.

Section 5. Any person licensed in this state as an apprentice plumber, journeyman plumber, or master plumber by the State Plumbing Board on or before December 31, 2026, shall hold the equivalent license of the State Licensing Board for Contractors created by this Act on January 1, 2027.

Section 6. (A) On the effective date of this Section, the State Plumbing Board is abolished and its duties and functions shall be transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors. All unfinished business, references in laws and documents, employees, property, obligations, and books and records heretofore under the control of the State Plumbing Board shall be transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors as provided in this Section.

(B) Unfinished business. Upon the transfer of duties and functions as provided in this Section, any pending or unfinished business of the State Plumbing Board shall be taken over and completed by the State Licensing Board for Contractors. The State Licensing Board for Contractors is the successor in every way to the State Plumbing Board.

(C) References in laws and documents. Wherever the State Plumbing Board is referred to or designated by the constitution or by any law or contract or other document, after the effective date of the abolition of that board as provided in this Act any such reference or designation is considered to apply to the State Licensing Board for Contractors.

(D) Legal proceedings and documents continued. Any legal proceeding to which the State Plumbing Board is a party and which is filed, initiated, or pending before any court on January 1, 2027, and all documents involved in or affected by such legal proceeding, shall retain their effectiveness and shall be continued in the name of the State Licensing Board for Contractors. All further legal proceedings

and documents in the continuation, disposition, and enforcement of such legal proceedings shall be in the name of the State Licensing Board for Contractors, and the State Licensing Board for Contractors shall be substituted for the party to which it is the successor without the necessity for amendment of any document to substitute the name of that board it is succeeding or the name or title of any office, official, employee, or other agent or representative of that board it is succeeding. Any legal proceeding and all documents involved in or affected by such legal proceeding, which proceeding has been continued in the name of the State Plumbing Board, shall retain their effectiveness, and those provisions of this Act requiring that the continuation, disposition, and enforcement of a legal proceeding and documents related thereto be in the name of the party to which the State Licensing Board for Contractors is the successor does not affect their validity.

(E)(1) Protection of obligations; federal assistance. All obligations of the State Plumbing Board hereafter is considered to be the obligations of the State Licensing Board for Contractors to the same extent as if originally made by the State Licensing Board for Contractors and the same are hereby ratified. In like manner, and in order to prevent any violation of the provisions, terms, or conditions of any gift, donation, deed, will, trust, or other instrument or disposition by which property vested in the State Licensing Board for Contractors by this Act was previously vested in the State Plumbing Board or diversion from the purposes for which such property was so vested, it is hereby specifically provided that each such instrument or disposition hereafter is considered to have vested such property in the State Licensing Board for Contractors in the same manner and to the same extent as if originally so done.

(2) The State Licensing Board for Contractors is the successor in every way to the State Plumbing Board, including with respect to obligations and debts of the State Plumbing Board. All dedications and allocations of revenues and sources of revenues heretofore made shall continue in the same manner, to the same extent, and for the same purposes as were provided prior to the enactment of this Section of this Act, unless and until other provision is made for such dedications and allocations.

(3) This Act shall not be construed or applied in any way which will prevent full compliance by the state, or any department, office, or agency thereof, with the requirements of any act of the Congress of the United States or any regulation made thereunder by which federal aid or other federal assistance has been or hereafter is made available to this state, or any department, office, agency, or subdivision thereof, anything contained in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding, and such compliance hereafter shall be accomplished by the State Licensing Board for Contractors.

(F) Transfer of property. All books, papers, records, money, actions, and other property of every kind, movable and immovable, real and personal, heretofore possessed, controlled, or used by the State Plumbing Board are hereby transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors. All funds controlled by the State Plumbing Board are hereby transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors.

(G) Transfer of employees. All employees engaged in the performance of duties of the State Plumbing Board are hereby transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors and are subject to applicable state civil service laws, rules, and regulations. Employee positions in the unclassified service will remain in the unclassified service.

Section 7. The State Plumbing Board and the State Licensing Board of Contractors shall take all necessary actions prior to January 1, 2027, including but not limited to amending, adopting, and repealing administrative rules as are necessary to implement the provisions of this Act.

Section 8. Sections 1 through 6 of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2027.

Section 9. Sections 7, 8, and this Section of this Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor, or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, Sections 7, 8, and this Section of this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

Delete pages 2 through 9 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 10, delete lines 1 through 5 in their entirety

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

Rep. Jordan sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Jordan to Engrossed House Bill No. 827 by Representative Jordan

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Delete the set of House Floor Amendments by Representative Jordan (#2512)

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In House Floor Amendment No. 1 by Representative Fontenot (#3501), on page 1, line 3, delete "and (L) through (N),"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

In House Floor Amendment No. 1 by Representative Fontenot (#3501), on page 1, line 13, delete "fees and"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

In House Floor Amendment No. 2 by Representative Fontenot (#3501), on page 1, line 26, delete "and (L) through (N),"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

In House Floor Amendment No. 2 by Representative Fontenot (#3501), on page 7, delete lines 38 through 57 and on page 8, delete lines 1 through 7

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

Rep. Jordan moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. Speaker	Egan	McCormick
Adams	Fisher	McFarland
Bacala	Fontenot	McMahan
Bamburg	Freeman	McMakin
Berault	Freiberg	Mena
Billings	Galle	Moore

Boudreaux	Geymann	Murray
Bourriaque	Glorioso	Muscarello
Boyd	Green	Newell
Boyer	Hebert	Orgeron
Brass	Henry, C.	Owen
Braud	Henry, D.	Riser
Broussard	Hilferty	Sawyer
Bryant	Horton	Schlegel
Carlson	Illg	Spell
Carpenter	Jackson	St. Blanc
Carrier	Johnson, T.	Tarver
Carter, R.	Jordan	Taylor
Carter, W.	Kerner	Thomas
Carver	Knox	Thompson
Chassion	LaCombe	Turner
Chenevert	LaFleur	Villio
Coates	Landry, T.	Walters
Cox	Larvadain	Wilder
Crews	Lyons	Wright
Deshotel	Mack	Wyble
Dewitt	Marcelle	Young
Domangue	Martinez	
Total - 83		

NAYS

Amedee	Gadberry	Ventrella
Edmonston	Johnson, M.	
Farnum	Schamerhorn	
Total - 7		

ABSENT

Bagley	Echols	Miller
Bayham	Firment	Phelps
Beaulieu	Landry, J.	Stagni
Butler	Landry, M.	Wiley
Dickerson	Melerine	Zeringue
Total - 15		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Jordan 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.

**Consent to Correct a Vote Record**

Rep. Billings requested the House consent to record her vote on final passage of House Bill No. 827 as yea, which consent was unanimously granted.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 868—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT  
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:341(C), (D), and (G), 384(A) and (D), and 385(A)(1)(a) and to enact R.S. 32:384(E)(3) and 385(A)(4), relative to the regulation of motor vehicles; to establish comprehensive requirements for brake equipment; to mandate safety chain specifications for trailers and semi-trailers; to eliminate specific exemptions pertaining to farm equipment; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Dewitt, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Dewitt gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 868 from the calendar on Tuesday, April 14, 2026.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 952—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3519(A), 3530(A)(1), and 3561.1(A) and (B) and to enact R.S. 9:3530.1 through 3530.5, relative to consumer loans; to provide for maximum loan finance charges; to provide for an origination fee; to provide for an assistance program; to provide for suspension of penalties; to provide for a credit education program; to provide for the ability to pay; to provide for repayment; to provide for license and renewal fees; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

**Motion**

On motion of Rep. Jordan, the bill was returned to the calendar.

**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Jordan gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 952 from the calendar on Monday, April 13, 2026.

**HOUSE BILL NO. 953—**  
BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1361(A), 1366(A), (B), (H), and (K), 1367(A), (B), (C), (E), and (G), 1371(A)(1), 1373(A), 1374(B)(1), 1377(A), (B), and (C)(1), 1377(A)6), 1380(A), 2150.1(I), and 2165(A)(3) and to enact R.S. 37:1376(C), 2150.1(25), and 2167, relative to licensing of plumbers; to allow the Louisiana State Board of Contractors to provide an alternative pathway for plumbing licensure; to provide for definitions; to provide for license equivalency; to provide for insurance requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Called from the calendar.

Read by title.

Rep. Horton, on behalf of the Legislative Bureau, sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Horton on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Engrossed House Bill No. 953 by Representative Fontenot

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, following "(C)(1)," change "1377(A)6)" to "1377(A)(6)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 11, following "(C)(1)," and before "1380(A)" change "1377(A)6)" to "1377(A)(6)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 2, following "be" and before "sole" change "the" to "the"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, line 20, after "State" insert "Licensing"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, line 6, after "State" insert "Licensing"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 7, line 15, delete "Louisiana"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 9, line 18, delete "Louisiana"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 10, line 11, following "37:1361" and before "et seq." delete "2"

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

Rep. Fontenot sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Fontenot to Engrossed House Bill No. 953 by Representative Fontenot

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete lines 2 through 8 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"To amend and reenact R.S. 37:2150, 2150.1, 2156(D), (E), (K)(1), and (L) through (N), 2156.1(A)(7), (B)(1), and (I), 2158(A)(introductory paragraph), and 2164(A), (B), (H), and (I), to enact R.S. 37:2155.1, 2156(O), 2156.1.1 and 2158(A)(24) and to repeal Chapter 16 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:1361 through 1380, relative to licensing of plumbers; to provide the State Licensing Board for Contractors the power to license and regulate licensure of plumbers and plumbing contractors; to provide for definitions; to provide for a Plumbing Contractors Subcommittee of the State Licensing Board for Contractors; to provide for licensing fees and penalties; to abolish the State Plumbing Board; to provide for the transfer of assets and obligations from the State Plumbing Board to the State Licensing Board for Contractors; to provide for an effective date; to provide for the grandfathering of existing plumbing licenses; and to provide for related matters."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete lines 10 through 20 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 37:2150, 2150.1, 2156(D), (E), (K)(1), and (L) through (N), 2156.1(A)(7), (B)(1), and (I), 2158(A)(introductory paragraph), and 2164(A), (B), (H) and (I) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 37:2155.1, 2156(O), 2156.1.1 and 2158(A)(24) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2150. Purpose; legislative intent

The purpose of the legislature in enacting this Chapter is the protection of the health, safety, and general welfare of all those persons dealing with persons engaged in the contracting and plumbing vocation vocations, and the affording of such persons of an effective and practical protection against the incompetent,

inexperienced, unlawful, and fraudulent acts of contractors or plumbers with whom they contract. Further, the legislative intent is that the State Licensing Board for Contractors shall monitor construction and plumbing projects to ensure compliance with the licensure requirements of this Chapter.

#### §2150.1. Definitions

As used in this Chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "Apprentice plumber license" means the license that may be granted to a natural person engaged in learning the plumbing trade by working under the direct, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman plumber or master plumber, and in the employ of an employing entity. Apprentice plumbers shall be placed in an apprenticeship approved by the board.

(2) "Board" means the State Licensing Board for Contractors.

(2) (3) "Commercial" means any construction project except residential structures intended to be primarily occupied as a residence with no more than two separate dwelling units incorporated into one structure.

(3) (4) "Contract" means an agreement to perform a scope of work that is regulated by this Chapter. The project value includes the entire cost of the labor, materials, rentals, and all direct and indirect project expenses. The cost of materials, rentals, and direct and indirect expenses shall be included regardless of who pays the costs or if they are donated. The "principal contract" is the agreement to perform the entire scope of work for a construction project.

(4) (5)(a) "Contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment for any of the following:

(i) Any building, highway, road, railroad, sewer, grading, excavation, pipeline, public utility structure, project development, housing, or housing development, improvement, or any other construction undertaking for which the project value is fifty thousand dollars or more when the property is to be used for commercial purposes.

(ii) Any new residential structure for which the project value is fifty thousand dollars or more when the property is used for residential purposes.

(iii) Any improvements or repairs to an existing residential structure for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

(iv) Any mold remediation for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

(v) Any plumbing work.

(b) The term "contractor" includes persons who receive an additional fee for the employment or direction of labor, or any other work beyond the normal architectural or engineering services.

(c) A contractor holding a license in the major classification of hazardous materials, or any subclassifications thereunder, is defined in terms of work performed for which the project value is one dollar or more.

(d) "Contractor" does not mean any person, supplier, manufacturer, or employee of such person who assembles, repairs,

maintains, moves, puts up, tears down, or disassembles any patented or proprietary equipment supplied by such person to a contractor to be used solely by the contractor for a construction undertaking. "Proprietary" means specific and specialized equipment installation, manufacturing processes, used, or components that are protected from disclosure to third parties by the owner or manufacturer of the equipment.

(5) (6) "Controlled access" means the complete building or facility area under direct physical control within which an unauthorized person is denied access.

(6) (7) "Electrical contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, or furnishing labor together with material and equipment, or installing the same for the wiring, fixtures, or appliances for the supply of electricity to any residential, commercial, or other project, for which the project value is ten thousand dollars or more. This Paragraph is not deemed or construed to limit the authority of a contractor, general contractor, or residential contractor, as those terms are defined in this Section, nor to require such individuals to become an electrical contractor.

(7) (8) "Employee" means a worker whose employer deducts taxes from his wages and reports his annual earnings to the Internal Revenue Service using a W-2 form.

(8) (9) "Executive director" means the person appointed by the board to serve as the chief operating officer in connection with the day-to-day operation of the board's business. The executive director is the appointing authority for all employees of the board.

(9) (10)(a) "General contractor" means a person who contracts directly with the owner. The term "general contractor" includes the term "primary contractor" and wherever used in this Chapter or in regulations promulgated thereunder "primary contractor" means "general contractor".

(b) "General contractor" does not mean any person, supplier, manufacturer, or employee of such person who assembles, repairs, maintains, moves, puts up, tears down, or disassembles any patented or proprietary equipment supplied by such person to a contractor to be used solely by the contractor for a construction undertaking.

(10) (11) "Home improvement" means the reconstruction, alteration, renovation, repair, modernization, conversion, improvement, removal, or demolition, or the construction of an addition to any preexisting residential structure which building is used or designed to be used as a residence or dwelling unit, or to structures which are adjacent to such residence or building for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more. "Home improvement" does not include services rendered gratuitously.

(11) (12) "Home improvement contractor" means any person who undertakes or attempts to undertake or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of a home improvement project for which the project value is at least seven thousand five hundred dollars but less than fifty thousand dollars. A home improvement contractor shall not perform any structural work that is integral to the structural integrity of any new or existing structure, including but not limited to footings, foundations, outside walls, skeleton, bearing columns and interior load bearing walls, floor slabs, or roofing systems to any type.

(13) "Journeyman plumber license" means the license that may be granted to a natural person who possesses the necessary qualifications and knowledge to install, alter, repair, and maintain

plumbing systems; is supervised by a master plumber; and is in the employ of an employing entity.

~~(12)~~ (14) "License" means any form of license or registration the board is authorized to issue in accordance with this Chapter.

(15) "Master plumber license" means the license that may be granted to a natural person who possesses the necessary qualifications and knowledge to plan and lay out plumbing systems; and who supervises journeyman plumbers in the installation, alteration, or repair of plumbing systems.

(16) "Master plumbing contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment regarding plumbing in any structure or setting, and is licensed by the board to do the same.

~~(13)~~ (17) "Mechanical contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, or furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material and equipment, or installing the same for the construction, installation, maintenance, testing, and repair of air conditioning, refrigeration, heating systems, and plumbing for all residential, commercial, and industrial applications as well as ventilation systems, mechanical work controls, boilers and other pressure vessels, steam and hot water systems and piping, gas piping and fuel storage, and chilled water and condensing water systems and piping, including but not limited to any type of industrial process piping and related valves, fittings, and components, for which the project value is ten thousand dollars or more. This Paragraph is not deemed or construed to limit the authority of a contractor, general contractor, or residential contractor, as those terms are defined in this Section, nor to require such individuals to become a mechanical contractor.

~~(14)~~ (18) "Mold remediation contractor" means any person who engages in removal, cleaning, sanitizing, demolition, or other treatment, including preventative activities, of mold or mold-contaminated matter that was not purposely grown at that location for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more. Mold remediation applies only to the regulation of mold-related activities that affect indoor air quality and does not apply to routine cleaning when not conducted for the purpose of mold-related activities intended to affect indoor air quality.

~~(15)~~ (19) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, association, cooperative, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other entity recognized by Louisiana law; and whether or not acting as a principal, trustee, fiduciary, receiver, or as any other kind of legal or personal representative, or as a successor in interest, assignee, agent, factor, servant, employee, director, officer, or any other representative of such person; or any state or local governing authority or political subdivision.

(20) "Plumber" means a natural person who performs the work or business of installing in buildings and on premises the pipes, fixtures, and other apparatus for supplying water, or removing liquid waste or water-borne waste, and fixtures, vessels and process piping that is in direct contact with products for human consumption.

~~(16)~~ (21) "Plumbing contractor" means any person who installs, maintains, and repairs potable and nonpotable tap water or sewer systems within a building structure or residential structure for which the project value is ten thousand dollars or more undertakes to,

attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment regarding plumbing.

~~(17)~~ (22) "Principal" means an owner, shareholder, or an officer or director of a corporation; a member or manager of a limited liability company; a general partner of a partnership; a sole proprietor; a trustee; or a full-time employee with similar operational control or significant influence with respect to any person as determined by the board.

~~(18)~~ (23) "Qualifying party" means a natural person designated by the contractor to represent the contractor for the purpose of complying with the provisions of this Chapter including but not limited to meeting the requirements for the initial license and any continuation thereof.

~~(19)~~ (24)(a) "Residential contractor" means any person who constructs a fixed building or structure for sale or use by another as a residence or who, for a price, commission, fee, wage, or other compensation, undertakes or offers to undertake the construction or superintending of the construction of any residential structure which is not more than three floors in height, to be used by another as a residence, for which the project value is fifty thousand dollars or more. The term "residential contractor" includes all persons who receive an additional fee for the employment or direction of labor, or any other work beyond the normal architectural or engineering services.

(b) "Residential contractor" includes both of the following:

(i) Any person bidding or performing home improvement for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

(ii) Any person performing the installation of a modular home with a value equal to or greater than fifty thousand dollars for which the total project value shall not include the cost of the component parts of the modular home in the condition each part leaves the factory pursuant to R.S. 40:1730.71.

(c) "Residential contractor" does not include any person engaged in building residential structures that are built to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's construction standards for manufactured housing as outlined at 42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq., or mounted on a metal chassis and wheels.

(25) "Residential plumbing contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment regarding plumbing in any residential structure that is not more than three floors in height, to be used by another as a residence, for which the project value is fifty thousand dollars or more, and is licensed by the board to do the same.

~~(20)~~ (26) "Residential roofing" means the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with materials or equipment, or the installation of materials or equipment for any phase of roofing specific to a residential structure for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

~~(21)~~ (27) "Residential roofing contractor" means any person who undertakes to, attempts to, or submits a price or bid, or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any

manner assume charge of a residential roofing project for which the project value is seven thousand five hundred dollars or more.

~~(22)~~ (28) "Residential structure" means a building or structure that is used primarily for occupancy by a person as a residence. Such structures or buildings include but are not limited to single family dwellings and duplexes which are not more than three floors in height and structures that are part of or adjacent to the building or structures to be used as a residence. A residential structure more than three floors in height may be built by a person holding a building construction and residential construction license.

~~(23)~~ (29) "Subcontract" means an agreement to perform a portion of the scope of work contained in the principal contract including the entire cost of labor and materials of that part of the principal contract which is performed by the subcontractor.

~~(24)~~ (30)(a) "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts to perform a scope of work that is a part of the scope of work contained in the principal contract.

(b) "Subcontractor" does not include any person, supplier, or manufacturer who assembles, repairs, maintains, moves, puts up, tears down, or disassembles any patented or proprietary equipment supplied by such person to a contractor to be used solely by the contractor for a construction undertaking.

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§2155.1. Plumbing Contractors Subcommittee; membership; terms; powers; duties

A. There is hereby established within the board the Plumbing Contractors Subcommittee, hereinafter referred to as "plumbing subcommittee", consisting of the following eleven members appointed by the governor, each of whom shall be a resident of this state, and each of whom shall have been actively engaged in plumbing or contracting for at least five years prior to his appointment by the governor.

(1) Three members, each of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors Association of Louisiana.

(2) Three members, each of whom shall be appointed from the membership of The United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada.

(3) One member who shall be appointed from the membership of the Louisiana Associated General Contractors.

(4) One member who shall be appointed from the membership of the Associated Builders and Contractors of Louisiana.

(5) One member who shall be appointed from the membership of the Louisiana Home Builders Association.

(6) Two members, each of whom shall not be associated with the plumbing industry, to serve as members-at-large.

B.(1) The terms of office for the initial members appointed to the plumbing subcommittee is three members for a three-year term, four members for a two-year term, and four members for a one-year term, to be determined by the governor. Thereafter, all members are to be appointed for six-year terms.

(2) All terms commence thirty days after appointment, and all members shall serve until their successors have been appointed and qualified. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the plumbing subcommittee for any reason shall be filled by appointment by the

governor for the unexpired term. No member appointed may serve more than two consecutive six-year terms.

(3) A member may be removed by the governor for cause; or at the request of the chairperson for failure to attend more than half of the regularly scheduled meetings within a twelve-month period or for cause.

C. The executive director of the board shall serve as executive director of the plumbing subcommittee and does not have voting privileges.

D.(1) A member of the board shall serve as an ex officio member of the plumbing subcommittee and shall serve as the liaison between the plumbing subcommittee and the board. He shall be appointed by the chairperson of the board and shall serve as the chairperson of the plumbing subcommittee. His presence at a meeting of the plumbing subcommittee may be counted toward establishing a quorum of the plumbing subcommittee, and he shall have voting privileges only if either of the following circumstances exists:

(a) His presence is necessary to establish a quorum of the plumbing subcommittee and there is a tie vote between the appointed members of the plumbing subcommittee.

(b) His presence is necessary to establish a quorum of the plumbing subcommittee, only one appointed member of the plumbing subcommittee is present, and an additional ex officio member has been appointed pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this Subsection.

(2) An additional ex officio member of the board shall serve on the plumbing subcommittee only if his presence, along with the ex officio member serving pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, is required to establish a quorum of the plumbing subcommittee. This additional ex officio member shall be appointed by the chairperson of the board and shall serve as the vice chairperson of the plumbing subcommittee. He shall have voting privileges only if there is a tie vote between appointed members of the plumbing subcommittee and the ex officio member serving as chairperson of the plumbing subcommittee (3) The board shall pay per diem and travel expenses for ex officio members.

E. A quorum of the plumbing subcommittee consists of a majority of its members and is sufficient to conduct plumbing subcommittee business. The plumbing subcommittee shall meet at least once every other month to conduct its business unless, for good cause, a meeting cannot be held. Notice of plumbing subcommittee meetings shall be posted on the board's official website and at the board's office at least ten days prior to the date when the plumbing subcommittee is to meet.

F. Each member of the plumbing subcommittee is entitled to a per diem allowance of seventy-five dollars for each meeting he attends and to be reimbursed for all travel expenses necessarily incurred in attending meetings.

G. Subject to the approval of the board, the plumbing subcommittee has all of the following powers and duties:

(1) To adopt rules and regulations to govern all plumbing contractors, apprentice plumbers, journeyman plumbers, and master plumbers in this state, including all specialty classifications and sub-classifications of plumbing or plumbing contracting as adopted by the board.

(2) To issue, suspend, or revoke licenses to do plumbing or plumbing business in this state pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter.

(3) To prescribe and adopt regulations and policies for continuing education for plumbers. However, notwithstanding any

other law to the contrary, the plumbing subcommittee shall not approve for use by licensees any continuing education courses or written training programs provided by a member of the plumbing subcommittee, or by a legal entity in which a member has a controlling interest.

(4) To enforce against, prosecute, or enjoin all persons violating plumbing or plumbing contracting provisions of this Chapter, and rules and regulations of the board; to issue fines, penalties, and other costs for violations; and incur necessary expenses therein.

(5) If an alleged violation is known to the plumbing subcommittee, the plumbing subcommittee may correct it or take appropriate action without formal complaint.

§2156. Applications; licenses; fees; renewals

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D. The board may assess an additional surcharge of not more than four hundred dollars in connection with the application for and issuance of a contractor's or plumber's license to a contractor or plumber not domiciled in this state, to be utilized to defray the additional cost of the investigation of the application of the non-Louisiana contractor or plumber.

E. When issuing a license to any contractor or plumber, the board shall state the contractor's or plumber's classification on the license for which he has completed all of the requirements.

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K.(1) The board shall assess on each license renewal issued to a contractor, except a plumbing contractor, an additional fee of one hundred dollars per year to be dedicated and allocated as provided in this Subsection to any public university in this state or any community college school of construction management or construction technology in this state that is accredited by either the American Council for Construction Education or the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology. The board shall include on each license renewal form issued to a contractor an optional election whereby the contractor may choose to not participate in the remission of the additional one-hundred-dollar dedication fee.

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L.(1) The board shall assess on each license renewal issued to a plumbing contractor an additional fee of one hundred dollars per year to be dedicated and allocated as provided in this Subsection to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System to be used exclusively for training programs related to the plumbing trade. The board shall include on each license renewal form issued to a plumbing contractor an optional election whereby that plumbing contractor may choose to not participate in the allocation of the additional one hundred dollar dedication fee.

(2) The monies collected pursuant to this Subsection are in addition to any other monies received by those schools and are intended to supplement and not replace, displace, or supplant any other monies received from the state or from any other source.

(3) Monies collected pursuant to this Subsection shall be disbursed to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System by October first of each year upon the completion of the annual audit of the board, after subtracting a two percent administrative fee on the total collected to be retained by the board.

M. The licenses issued pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter are not transferable.

~~M. N.~~ No license shall be issued to any domestic or foreign entity required to be registered with the secretary of state which does not hold a certificate of authority to do business in good standing.

~~N. O.~~ Except for the licenses, fees, and assessments authorized by this Chapter, and except for the occupational license taxes authorized by the constitution and laws of this state, and except for permit fees charged by parishes and municipalities for inspection purposes, and except for licenses required by parishes and municipalities for the purpose of determining the competency of mechanical or plumbing contractors, or both, and electrical contractors, no contractor shall be liable for any fee or license as a condition of engaging in the contracting business.

§2156.1. Requirements for issuance of a contractor's license

A. To become licensed in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter, an applicant shall make application to the board on a form adopted by the board and shall state the classifications for which he is applying from the list of major classifications listed herein or from the list of subclassifications and specialty classification as adopted by rule. The major classifications are:

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(7) Master Plumbing.

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B.(1) An applicant for a contractor's license or registration shall submit a financial statement on a form supplied by the board, current to within twelve months of the date of filing the application, prepared and signed by an accountant, bookkeeper, or certified public accountant and signed by the applicant, attesting the statement is true and correct. In lieu of a signature by a certified public accountant on the board's form, a current financial statement prepared by a certified public accountant may be attached.

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~~I.(1) Any plumbing contractor who currently holds a Master Plumber License from the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana shall be exempt from any trade examination requirement. Any person or business that advertises, solicits, undertakes, attempts, offers, or submits a price, bid, quote or estimate to construct, supervise, direct, oversee, or perform any construction, modification, repair, or maintenance of any portion of a plumbing system is required to hold the appropriate plumbing contractor license, classification, subclassification, or specialty classification.~~

(2) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to permit plumbing contractors to perform plumbing work without first complying with the licensure provisions of Chapter 16 of this Title, R.S. 37:1361 et seq. A master plumbing contractor may contract to perform or supervise plumbing work for any structure. Master plumbing contractor qualifying party status may be obtained only by a licensed master plumber, and upon meeting all other requirements of licensure.

(3) A residential plumbing contractor may contract to perform or supervise plumbing work only for a structure, not more than three floors in height, to be used by another as a residence. Residential plumbing contractor qualifying party status may be obtained by a licensed journeyman plumber or a licensed master plumber, and upon meeting all other requirements of licensure.

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§2156.1.1. Requirements for issuance of a plumber's license; violations; penalties; classifications

A. Any natural person who engages in any plumbing work of any kind, including as an employee of a plumbing contractor, is required to possess the appropriate plumber's license. Licenses for plumbers shall be issued in accordance with any of the following:

(1) An applicant for licensure as an apprentice plumber shall register with the board in a method prescribed by the board and shall semi-annually verify his employment in the trade of apprentice plumber with the board in a method prescribed by the board.

(2) An applicant for licensure as a journeyman plumber may obtain that license from the board after the completion of two thousand hours of verified work as an apprentice plumber, and after passing both a written examination and a practical administration approved, recognized, or administered on behalf of the board.

(3) An applicant for licensure as a master plumber may obtain that license from the board after first becoming a licensed journeyman plumber, the completion of one thousand hours of verified work as a licensed journeyman plumber, and after successfully passing a written examination approved, recognized, or administered on behalf of the board.

B. A person may not perform plumbing work, or act as a plumber as defined in this Chapter, unless he holds an active license as a plumber in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter. The board or plumbing subcommittee may revoke, suspend, or refuse to renew a license; issue cease and desist orders to stop work; issue fines and penalties; or debar any person licensed pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter for a violation of any of the following requirements:

(1) An apprentice plumber shall work only under the supervision of a journeyman plumber or a master plumber.

(2) A journeyman plumber may be supervised by another journeyman plumber only if that supervising journeyman plumber is an employee of, or the qualifying party at, a residential plumbing contractor.

(3) A journeyman plumber may be supervised by a master plumber who is employed by or the qualifying party of a master plumbing contractor.

C. The plumbing subcommittee may promulgate rules and regulations for the issuance of apprentice, journeyman, and master plumber licenses or temporary working permits to persons possessing equivalent licenses or experience in another state and that are applying to perform work in this state, as well as any additional requirements or fees to be imposed for such a license or permit. Any rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to this Subsection shall comply with the Welcome Home Act, R.S. 37:51 et seq., if applicable.

D. Additional requirements for the issuance of plumber's licenses may be added by rule as the plumbing subcommittee deems appropriate.

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§2158. Revocation and suspension of licenses; issuance of cease and desist orders; debarment; violations; penalty; criminal penalty

A. No person may engage in the business of contracting, or act as a contractor as defined in this Chapter, unless he holds an active license as a contractor in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter. The board, plumbing subcommittee, and residential subcommittee may revoke, suspend, or refuse to renew a license; issue cease and desist orders to stop work; issue fines and penalties; or debar any person licensed pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter for any of the following violations:

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(24) Undertaking, attempting, or submitting a price or bid or offers to construct, supervise, superintend, oversee, direct, perform, or in any manner assume charge of the construction, alteration, repair, improvement, movement, demolition, putting up, tearing down, furnishing labor, or furnishing labor together with material or equipment, or installing material or equipment regarding plumbing work without holding the plumbing contractor license required for that particular scope of work.

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§2164. Violations; civil penalty; jurisdiction

A. Any person who violates any provision of this Chapter shall, after notice and a hearing, be liable to the board for a fine of up to ten percent of the total contract or the value of the work bid or being performed for which there is a violation. In addition to the fine, the board may impose administrative costs and attorney fees for each offense. In determining the amount of the administrative penalty, the board, plumbing subcommittee, or residential subcommittee shall consider the circumstances and seriousness of the violation, cooperation on the part of the contractor, and the history of previous violations.

B. A monetary penalty assessed by the board, plumbing subcommittee, or the residential subcommittee is payable within ninety days or as provided by law. Failure to pay an outstanding penalty may be cause to deny issuance or renewal of a license or registration and may be subject to collection efforts as provided by law.

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H. Anyone violating this Chapter who fails to cease work, after proper hearing and notification from the board, shall not be eligible to apply for a contractor's license or a plumber's license for a period not to exceed one year from the date of official notification to cease work.

I.(1) All fines or penalties collected by the board pursuant to the provisions of this Section for violations of any provision of this Chapter, except for violations related to plumbing or plumbing contracting, shall, annually, at each audit of the board, be transferred to a separate contractor's educational trust fund to be used for educational purposes as determined by the trustees of the fund. The Construction Education Trust Fund shall make an audited financial report to the board annually.

(2) All fines or penalties collected by the board pursuant to the provisions of this Section for violations related to plumbing or plumbing contracting shall, annually, at each audit of the board, be transferred to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System to be used exclusively for training programs related to the plumbing trade.

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Section 2. Chapter 16 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:1361 through 1380, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 3. The Louisiana State Law Institute is hereby directed to make technical changes to statutory laws as necessary to reflect the succession of the State Plumbing Board by the State Licensing Board for Contractors as provided in this Act.

Section 4. Any person licensed in this state as an apprentice plumber, journeyman plumber, or master plumber by the State Plumbing Board on or before December 31, 2026, shall hold the

equivalent license of the State Licensing Board for Contractors created by this Act on January 1, 2027.

Section 5. (A) On the effective date of this Section, the State Plumbing Board is abolished and its duties and functions shall be transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors. All unfinished business, references in laws and documents, employees, property, obligations, and books and records heretofore under the control of the State Plumbing Board shall be transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors as provided in this Section.

(B) Unfinished business. Upon the transfer of duties and functions as provided in this Section, any pending or unfinished business of the State Plumbing Board shall be taken over and completed by the State Licensing Board for Contractors. The State Licensing Board for Contractors is the successor in every way to the State Plumbing Board.

(C) References in laws and documents. Wherever the State Plumbing Board is referred to or designated by the constitution or by any law or contract or other document, after the effective date of the abolition of that board as provided in this Section any such reference or designation is considered to apply to the State Licensing Board for Contractors.

(D) Legal proceedings and documents continued. Any legal proceeding to which the State Plumbing Board is a party and which is filed, initiated, or pending before any court on January 1, 2027, and all documents involved in or affected by such legal proceeding, shall retain their effectiveness and shall be continued in the name of the State Licensing Board for Contractors. All further legal proceedings and documents in the continuation, disposition, and enforcement of such legal proceedings shall be in the name of the State Licensing Board for Contractors, and the State Licensing Board for Contractors shall be substituted for the party to which it is the successor without the necessity for amendment of any document to substitute the name of that board it is succeeding or the name or title of any office, official, employee, or other agent or representative of that board it is succeeding. Any legal proceeding and all documents involved in or affected by such legal proceeding, which proceeding has been continued in the name of the State Plumbing Board, shall retain their effectiveness, and those provisions of this Act requiring that the continuation, disposition, and enforcement of a legal proceeding and documents related thereto be in the name of the party to which the State Licensing Board for Contractors is the successor does not affect their validity.

(E)(1) Protection of obligations; federal assistance. All obligations of the State Plumbing Board hereafter is considered to be the obligations of the State Licensing Board for Contractors to the same extent as if originally made by the State Licensing Board for Contractors and the same are hereby ratified. In like manner, and in order to prevent any violation of the provisions, terms, or conditions of any gift, donation, deed, will, trust, or other instrument or disposition by which property vested in the State Licensing Board for Contractors by this Act was previously vested in the State Plumbing Board or diversion from the purposes for which such property was so vested, it is hereby specifically provided that each such instrument or disposition hereafter is considered to have vested such property in the State Licensing Board for Contractors in the same manner and to the same extent as if originally so done.

(2) The State Licensing Board for Contractors is the successor in every way to the State Plumbing Board, including with respect to obligations and debts of the State Plumbing Board. All dedications and allocations of revenues and sources of revenues heretofore made shall continue in the same manner, to the same extent, and for the same purposes as were provided prior to the enactment of this Section of this Act, unless and until other provision is made for such dedications and allocations.

(3) This Act shall not be construed or applied in any way which will prevent full compliance by the state, or any department, office, or agency thereof, with the requirements of any act of the Congress of the United States or any regulation made thereunder by which federal aid or other federal assistance has been or hereafter is made available to this state, or any department, office, agency, or subdivision thereof, anything contained in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding, and such compliance hereafter shall be accomplished by the State Licensing Board for Contractors.

(F) Transfer of property. All books, papers, records, money, actions, and other property of every kind, movable and immovable, real and personal, heretofore possessed, controlled, or used by the State Plumbing Board are hereby transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors. All funds controlled by the State Plumbing Board are hereby transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors.

(G) Transfer of employees. All employees engaged in the performance of duties of the State Plumbing Board are hereby transferred to the State Licensing Board for Contractors and are subject to applicable state civil service laws, rules, and regulations. Employee positions in the unclassified service will remain in the unclassified service.

Section 6. The State Plumbing Board and the State Licensing Board of Contractors shall take all necessary actions prior to January 1, 2027, including but not limited to amending, adopting, and repealing administrative rules as are necessary to implement the provisions of this Act.

Section 7. Sections 1 through 5 of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2027.

Section 8. Sections 6 and 7 and this Section of this Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor, or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, Sections 6 and 7 and this Section of this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

Delete pages 2 through 8 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 9, delete lines 1 through 13 in their entirety

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

Rep. Fontenot sent up floor amendments which were read as follows:

**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by Representative Fontenot to Engrossed House Bill No. 953 by Representative Fontenot

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In House Floor Amendment No. 2 by Representative Fontenot (#3137), on page 5, delete lines 32 through 50 in their entirety and insert the following:

"A.(1) There is hereby established within the board the Plumbing Contractors Subcommittee, hereinafter referred to as "plumbing subcommittee", consisting of the following eleven members appointed by the governor, each of whom shall be a resident of this state, and each of whom shall have been actively

engaged in plumbing or contracting for at least five years prior to his appointment by the governor.

(a) Three members, each of whom shall be appointed from the membership of the Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors Association of Louisiana.

(b) Three members, each of whom shall be appointed from the membership of The United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada.

(c) One member who shall be appointed from the membership of the Louisiana Associated General Contractors.

(d) One member who shall be appointed from the membership of the Associated Builders and Contractors of Louisiana.

(e) One member who shall be appointed from the membership of the Louisiana Home Builders Association.

(f) Two members, each of whom shall not be associated with the plumbing industry, to serve as members-at-large.

(2) Each State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education district shall be represented among the membership provided in this Subsection."

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

Rep. Fontenot moved the final passage of the bill, as amended.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called with the following result:

**YEAS**

Mr. Speaker	Fisher	McMahan
Adams	Fontenot	McMakin
Bacala	Freeman	Mena
Bamburg	Freiberg	Miller
Berault	Galle	Moore
Billings	Glorioso	Murray
Boudreaux	Green	Muscarello
Bourriague	Hebert	Newell
Boyd	Henry, C.	Orgeron
Boyer	Henry, D.	Owen
Brass	Horton	Phelps
Braud	Illg	Riser
Broussard	Jackson	Sawyer
Bryant	Johnson, M.	Schamerhorn
Carlson	Johnson, T.	Schlegel
Carpenter	Jordan	Spell
Carrier	Kerner	St. Blanc
Carter, R.	Knox	Taylor
Carver	LaCombe	Thomas
Chassion	LaFleur	Thompson
Chenevert	Landry, T.	Turner
Coates	Larvadain	Villio
Cox	Lyons	Walters
Deshotel	Mack	Wilder
Dewitt	Marcelle	Wright
Domangue	Martinez	Wyble
Edmonston	McCormick	Young
Egan	McFarland	
Total - 83		

**NAYS**

Amedee	Gadberry
Farnum	Ventrella
Total - 4	

**ABSENT**

Bagley	Dickerson	Landry, M.
Bayham	Echols	Melerine
Beaullieu	Firment	Stagni
Butler	Geymann	Tarver
Carter, W.	Hilferty	Wiley
Crews	Landry, J.	Zeringue
Total - 18		

The Chair declared the above bill was finally passed.

The title of the above bill was read and adopted.

Rep. Fontenot 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.

**Notice of Intention to Call**

Pursuant to House Rule No. 8.20(A), Rep. Wilder gave notice of his intention to call House Bill No. 570 from the calendar on Monday, April 13, 2026.

**Suspension of the Rules**

On motion of Rep. Wright, 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. 118—**

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

**A RESOLUTION**

To create a subcommittee comprising members of the House Committee on Commerce and House Committee on Ways and Means to study the potential establishment of a state income tax credit for water utility customers who pay excessive rates for residential water service and to report findings and recommendations to the members of the House of Representatives no later than thirty days prior to the convening of the 2027 Regular Session.

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 Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development

April 9, 2026

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 663, by Johnson, Travis  
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 715, by Deshotel

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Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 717, by Schamerhorn  
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 834, by McMahan  
Reported with amendments. (14-0)

Senate Bill No. 349, by Cathey  
Reported favorably. (11-0)

Senate Bill No. 350, by Cathey  
Reported favorably. (11-0)

RHONDA GAYE BUTLER  
Chair

The above Senate Bills reported favorably or with amendments  
were referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Report of the Committee on  
Judiciary

April 9, 2026

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 29, by Bacala  
Reported favorably. (12-0)

House Bill No. 39, by Firment  
Reported with amendments. (12-0)

House Bill No. 77, by Turner  
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 211, by Villio  
Reported with amendments. (12-4)

House Bill No. 263, by Farnum  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 299, by Melerine  
Reported favorably. (12-0)

House Bill No. 324, by Villio  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 519, by Johnson, Mike  
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 533, by Berault  
Reported favorably. (12-0)

House Bill No. 538, by Freiberg  
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 559, by Fisher  
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 562, by LaFleur  
Reported with amendments. (13-0)

House Bill No. 805, by Orgeron  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 823, by Knox  
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 1011, by Freiberg  
Reported favorably. (11-0)

House Bill No. 1018, by Jackson  
Reported favorably. (11-0)

ROBBY CARTER  
Chair

Report of the Committee on  
Labor and Industrial Relations

April 9, 2026

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Labor and Industrial  
Relations to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 315, by Melerine  
Reported with amendments. (11-0)

House Bill No. 422, by McMakin  
Reported by substitute. (6-4)

House Bill No. 549, by Berault  
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

House Bill No. 1137, by Crews  
Reported favorably. (6-4)

Senate Bill No. 162, by Seabaugh  
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

Senate Bill No. 382, by Seabaugh  
Reported favorably. (10-0)

Senate Bill No. 383, by Bass  
Reported with amendments. (8-0)

RAYMOND J. CREWS  
Chair

The above Senate Bills reported favorably or with amendments  
were referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Report of the Committee on  
Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs

April 9, 2026

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Municipal, Parochial and  
Cultural Affairs to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 136, by Illg  
Reported favorably. (12-0)

House Bill No. 150, by Bourriaque  
Reported favorably. (14-0)

House Bill No. 273, by Freiberg  
Reported favorably. (13-0)

House Bill No. 376, by Kerner  
Reported favorably. (9-0)

House Bill No. 377, by Kerner  
Reported favorably. (9-0)

House Bill No. 431, by Carlson

Reported with amendments. (16-0)

House Bill No. 444, by Marcelle  
Reported with amendments. (8-7)

House Bill No. 450, by Kerner  
Reported with amendments. (11-0)

House Bill No. 664, by LaCombe  
Reported favorably. (15-0)

House Bill No. 822, by Newell  
Reported favorably. (15-0)

House Bill No. 864, by Knox  
Reported favorably. (16-0)

House Bill No. 867, by LaCombe  
Reported favorably. (15-0)

House Bill No. 1068, by Villio  
Reported with amendments. (16-0)

FOY BRYAN GADBERRY  
Chair

Report of the Committee on  
Retirement

April 9, 2026

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

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

House Bill No. 21, by Glorioso  
Reported with amendments. (11-0)

House Bill No. 24, by Owen, Charles  
Reported favorably. (11-0)

House Bill No. 31, by Echols  
Reported with amendments. (10-0)

House Bill No. 45, by Bacala  
Reported with amendments. (11-0)

House Bill No. 49, by Bacala  
Reported by substitute. (11-0)

House Bill No. 1017, by Kerner  
Reported favorably. (10-0)

House Bill No. 1134, by Braud  
Reported favorably. (10-0)

CHRISTOPHER TURNER  
Chair

### Speaker Pro Tempore Mike Johnson in the Chair

### Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Muscarello, Jr., the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to meet on Monday, April 13, 2026, and consider the following legislative instruments that were not listed on the weekly committee schedule as required by House Rule 14.23:

House Bill No. 71

### Leave of Absence

Rep. Jacob Landry - 1 day

Rep. Wiley - 1 day

### Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 5:57 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Monday, April 13, 2026, at 1:00 P.M.

The Speaker Pro Tempore of the House declared the House adjourned until 1:00 P.M., Monday, April 13, 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: Monday, April 13, 2026

Location: Committee Room 5

Remarks:

**HB 1** MCFARLAND APPROPRIATIONS Provides for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

**HB 312** MCFARLAND APPROPRIATIONS/SUPPLEML Makes supplemental appropriations for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

**HB 313** MCFARLAND FUNDS/FUNDING Provides for the transfer, deposit, and use of monies among state funds

**HB 314** MCFARLAND REVENUE SHARING Provides for the Revenue Sharing Distribution for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

**HB 383** MCFARLAND APPROPRIATIONS/ANCILLARY Provides for the ancillary expenses of state government

**HB 983** MCFARLAND APPROPRIATIONS Appropriates funds for the expenses of the judiciary for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

**HB 1126** MCFARLAND LEGISLATIVE EXPENSES Makes appropriations for the expenses of the legislature for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

**HCR3** MCFARLAND HOSPITALS Provides for a hospital stabilization formula

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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 72 hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.

JACK G. MCFARLAND  
Chair

Committee on Civil Law and Procedure

Will meet at: 9:30 a.m.

Date: Monday, April 13, 2026

Location: Committee Room 4

Remarks:

**HB 27 MCMAKIN APPROPRIATIONS/SUPPLEML** (Constitutional Amendment) Provides relative to application of nonrecurring state monies to state retirement system unfunded accrued liabilities

**HB 71 CARLSON (TBA) LIABILITY/CIVIL** Adds armed security officer as an authorized person subject to a limitation of liability under certain circumstances **(Subject to Rule Suspension)**

**HB 214 HENRY, CHANCE TAX/AD VALOREM-EXEMPTION** (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes a property tax exemption for blighted or derelict properties that have been rehabilitated

**HB 225 BAYHAM GOVERNOR** (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for gubernatorial term limits

**HB 244 GREEN CONSTITUTION/CONVENTION** (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for the election of constitutional convention delegates and vote requirements necessary for the adoption of a new constitution

**HB 306 EDMONSTON DOMESTIC ABUSE** Provides relative to court costs and fees in domestic abuse cases

**HB 366 EDMONSTON DOMESTIC ABUSE** Provides relative to continuance of hearings in domestic abuse matters

**HB 446 BOYER ELECTIONS/BOND & TAX** (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for eligible election dates for bond and tax elections

**HB 473 GREEN CHILDREN/CUSTODY** Provides relative to custody and child support

**HB 514 FARNUM TAX/AD VALOREM-EXEMPTION** (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes an additional ad valorem tax exemption for certain property owners aged sixty-five and older

**HB 1043 GREEN COURTS/JUSTICE OF PEACE** Provides relative to civil jurisdictional amounts for parish courts

**HB 1082 DEWITT CIVIL/VENUE** Provides for venue with respect to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System

**SB 127 MILLER, G. (TBA) SUCCESSIONS** Provides for donations that a curator may make on behalf of an interdict and limitations on forced portion to forced heirs with disabilities. (8/1/26) **(Subject to Rule Suspension)**

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NICHOLAS MUSCARELLO, JR.  
Chair

Committee on Commerce

Will meet at: 9:00 a.m.

Date: Monday, April 13, 2026

Location: Committee Room 1

Remarks:

**HB 241 THOMAS, POLLY BANKS/BANKING** Provides changes to the disclosure of financial records law

**HB 267 THOMAS, POLLY COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS** Provides with respect to the membership of the Louisiana State Board of Home Inspectors

**HB 467 FREEMAN BUILDING CODES** Provides relative to standards when constructing a residential roof in a parish in the coastal zone boundary

**HB 673 PHELPS PROPERTY/ABANDONED** Authorizes the state fire marshal to require owners of abandoned or blighted structures to install and maintain security cameras on property

**HB 744 WRIGHT PUBLIC SERVICE COMN** (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for certain common carriers and public utilities to be regulated by the Public Service Commission

**HB 798 JOHNSON, MIKE UTILITIES** Creates the Broadband and Cable Price Notice Act

**HB 1026 GADBERRY BUILDING CODES** Provides relative to the issuance of permits for construction

**HB 1027 HEBERT REAL ESTATE/APPRAISERS** Provides relative to real estate appraiser liability in certain circumstances

**HB 1091 BOUDREAUX FIRE PROTECT/FIRE MARSHAL** Provides relative to fire department identification numbers and reporting

- HB 1096 LANDRY, JACOB UTILITY/ELEC COOPS** Provides relative to the adoption, amendment, and repeal of bylaws of an electric cooperative
- HB 1103 TURNER BUILDING CODES** Provides with respect to the regulation of construction or improvement of industrial facilities
- HB 1212 CREWS INFRASTRUCTURE** Provides relative to the evaluation of transformers
- HB 1230 DESHOTEL COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS** Provides relative to the Louisiana Money Transmission Act

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Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the House Committee on Commerce via e-mail at [h-com@legis.la.gov](mailto: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: 9:30 a.m.

Date: Monday, April 13, 2026

Location: Committee Room 3

Remarks:

- HB 345 MCMAKIN RAILROADS** Provides with respect to the Rail Infrastructure Improvement Program
- HB 502 MCCORMICK PORTS/HARBORS/TERMINALS** Provides relative to the authority of the Caddo Parish Port Commission to use the payment in lieu of taxes program
- HB 511 GLORIOSO HIGHWAYS/OFFICE** Authorizes the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Criminal Justice to establish a grant program for pursuit intervention technologies
- HB 655 BRAUD BRIDGES/FERRIES** Authorizes the Department of Transportation and Development to enter into contracts for the operation and maintenance of ferry systems
- HB 667 MCCORMICK BOARDS/COMMISSIONS** Changes the selection process for members of the Caddo-Bossier Parishes Port Commission from appointed to elected
- HB 713 MCCORMICK PORTS/HARBORS/TERMINALS** Establishes that the total compensation of the executive port director of the Caddo-Bossier Parishes Port

Commission cannot exceed the statewide average compensation of the top ten port directors in Louisiana

- HB 714 PHELPS RAILROADS** Requires local railroad companies to remediate or remove blighted or abandoned railroad lines and associated structures
- HB 730 CREWS AIRCRAFT/AVIATION** Provides relative to the use of automatic dependent surveillance-broadcast systems
- HB 743 ST. BLANC DISTRICTS/AIRPORT** Creates the Harry P. Williams Memorial Airport District in St. Mary Parish
- HB 777 MCMAKIN MOTORVEHICLES** Requires driver's license renewal knowledge examination
- HB 803 BAYHAM PORTS/NEW ORLEANS** Changes the membership of the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans
- HB 836 HILFERTY LEVEES/BDS & DISTRICTS** Modifies the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-East and the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-West
- HB 871 CARVER PORTS/NEW ORLEANS** Provides relative to the membership the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans
- HB 1037 BOURRIAQUE TRANSPORTATION DEPT** Modifies operations and certain positions within the Department of Transportation and Development
- HB 1167 GLORIOSO HIGHWAYS** Designates certain portions of highways in Louisiana
- HB 1174 BOURRIAQUE TRANSPORTATION DEPT** Re-creates the Department of Transportation and Development
- HB 1175 TURNER AIRCRAFT/AIRPORTS** Provides with respect to definitions pertaining to aeronautics

To consider the use of the Construction Management at Risk (CMAR) method for: Beekman Charter School to construct the Jr. High Building pursuant to R.S. 38:2225.2.4

To consider the use of the Construction Management at Risk (CMAR) method for: Conversion construction of Lincoln Parish Early Childhood Center to the Lincoln Parish School Board Central Office pursuant to R.S. 38:2225.2.4(3)

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RYAN BOURRIQUE  
Chair

Committee on Ways and Means

Will meet at: 10:00 a.m.

Date: Monday, April 13, 2026

Location: Committee Room 6

Remarks:

**HB 2 BACALA CAPITAL OUTLAY** Provides for the comprehensive Capital Outlay budget

**HB 3 BACALA CAPITAL OUTLAY** Provides for the Omnibus Bond Act

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.

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Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the Ways and Means Committee via email at [hwmc@legis.la.gov](mailto:hwmc@legis.la.gov) at least seventy-two hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.

TONY BACALA  
Chair

**Weekly Committee Schedules**

The following committees posted weekly committee schedules as follows:

Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development

Thursday, April 16, 2026

NO MEETING IS SCHEDULED

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RHONDA GAYE BUTLER  
Chair

Committee on Education  
Tuesday, April 14, 2026  
Committee Room 1  
9:00 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

**HR 17 TURNER TOPS** Directs the Board of Regents, Louisiana Works, and Louisiana Economic Development to study the state's return on investment with respect to the Taylor Opportunity Program for Students in collaboration with the Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Public Policy Center

**HB 385 BAMBURG TOPS** Provides, under specified circumstances, for repayment of a Taylor Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS) award

**HB 406 JOHNSON, MIKE ATHLETICS** Requires the state Dept. of Education to conduct a study and issue a report relative to interscholastic high school athletics

**HB 787 MCKIN CURRICULA** Removes successful completion of a computer science course as a requirement for TOPS qualification

**HB 1021 EGAN TOPS** Provides relative to repayment of certain TOPS award amounts under certain circumstances

**HB 1058 BAMBURG TOPS** Requires the Board of Regents to establish and maintain a data administration system for the collection of uniform data on all state financial assistance

**HB 1059 BROUSSARD TOPS** Provides relative to core curriculum requirements for TOPS and TOPS-Tech awards in the subject of mathematics

**HB 1084 TURNER STUDENT/TUITION** Provides relative to tuition and mandatory fees for public postsecondary education institutions

OTHER BUSINESS:

Introductory remarks from Dr. Ramesh Kolluru, president of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette

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**HCR 47 FREEMAN SCHOOLS/EMPLOYEES** Requests that the Department of Children and Family Services, in consultation with the state Department of Education, study the implementation of online training requirements for school employees relative to reporting child abuse

**HB 628 LANDRY, TERRY JR EARLY CHILDHOOD** Authorizes a school board to engage in a cooperative endeavor with a licensed early learning center to operate a microcenter at a school

- HB 632 SPELL, ANNIE STUDENTS** Provides relative to information sharing for the purposes of Louisiana's Foundational Integrated Research System for Transformation (LA FIRST)
- HB 737 AMEDEE VACCINES/VACCINATION** Provides relative to the requirement that certain students present evidence of immunization against meningococcal disease as a condition of school entry
- HB 1008 OWEN, CHARLES COLLEGES/FACULTY** Prohibits public postsecondary education institutions from retaliating against faculty members for disclosing certain alleged violations or exercising academic freedom or free speech
- HB 1062 EDMONSTON SCHOOLS** Provides relative to the membership, powers, and duties of the board of directors of the Special School District
- HB 1079 BOUDREAUX SCHOOLS/CHARTER** Authorizes a charter school to give enrollment preference to students who attended a licensed early learning center operated by the charter school or operated by another entity under certain circumstances
- HB 1112 CHENEVERT EARLY CHILDHOOD** Provides relative to prekindergarten programs

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Laurie Schlegel  
Chair

Committee on House and Governmental Affairs  
Tuesday, April 14, 2026  
Committee Room 2  
9:00 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

- HB 608 CHASSION ATHLETICS** Provides relative to the confidentiality of documents related to an intercollegiate athletics revenue sharing program
- HB 997 EDMONSTON OFFICIAL JOURNALS** Provides for publishing information and notices on a political subdivision's website
- HB 1035 BAYHAM ELECTION OFFENSES** Provides relative to the prohibited solicitation of contributions

- HB 1045 LACOMBE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR** Provides for the audit threshold for local auditees
- HB 1048 MURRAY VOTERS/VOTING** Provides relative to the early voting period
- HB 1049 OWEN, CHARLES PUBLIC MEETINGS** Provides relative to public meetings
- HB 1057 WALTERS VOTERS/VOTING** Provides for an application to vote absentee by mail made by a member of the United States Service
- HB 1131 MARCELLE ELECTIONS** Provides relative to voter registration
- HB 1177 ZERINGUE PUBLIC RECORDS** Establishes a public records exemption for personal information related to hunting and fishing licenses

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Gerald "Beau" Beullieu, IV  
Chair

Committee on Insurance  
Tuesday, April 14, 2026  
Committee Room 3  
9:00 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

- HB 408 JORDAN INSURANCE/PROPERTY** Prohibits insurers from the nonrenewal of residential insurance policies when homeowners timely mitigate risks
- HB 943 FIRMENT CHILDREN/SUPPORT** Directs insurers to conduct data matches and withhold certain insurance and settlement payments to satisfy child support obligations
- HB 1117 FIRMENT INSURANCE** Provides relative to certain insurer contractual payments and prescriptive period
- HB 1162 GLORIOSO INSURANCE CLAIMS** Provides relative to the verification of contractors

**HB 1180 JORDAN INSURANCE/LIFE** Provides with respect to the denial of life insurance following suicide

**SB 241 HODGES INSURANCE DEPARTMENT** Requires the inclusion of the license number of adjusters and appraisers in all written communications. (8/1/26)

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Committee Room 3  
9:00 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

**HB 452 AMEDEE INSURANCE** Prohibits financial incentives or penalties to encourage healthcare providers to administer vaccinations

**HB 751 TAYLOR INSURANCE** Requires insurers or business entities promoting term life insurance policies to provide certain notices to applicants

**HB 771 TAYLOR INSURANCE/HEALTH** Provides relative to Medicare as the secondary payer for retirees with employer-sponsored health insurance

**HB 869 LYONS INSURANCE/HEALTH** Provides relative to expand glucose-improving medications coverage to individuals based on body mass index

**HB 909 SPELL, ANNIE INSURANCE** Required coverage for behavioral health crisis services

**HB 920 JORDAN INSURANCE/HEALTH** Requires drug manufacturers to limit pricing of GLP-1 medications for health insurance plans

**HB 1151 BAYHAM INSURANCE** Provides relative to the equity and investments of domestic insurers

**HB 1154 GLORIOSO INSURANCE** Prohibits prior authorizations requirements for certain generic medications prescribed by qualified physicians

**HB 1176 FREEMAN INSURANCE/HEALTH** Requires that Medicare Advantage plans provide insurance coverage for integrative care services

**HB 1196 FREEMAN INSURANCE/HEALTH** Provides relative to coverage of colorectal cancer screening, colonoscopies, and associated preventive services

**HB 1199 JORDAN INSURANCE/HEALTH** Provides relative to health insurance coverage for genetic testing and the treatment of SCN2A-associated medical conditions

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MICHAEL "GABE" FIRMENT  
Chair

Committee on Judiciary

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ROBBY CARTER  
Chair

Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

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RAYMOND J. CREWS  
Chair

Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

Committee Room 6

Upon Adjournment

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

**HB 66 DEWITT MUNICIPAL/ORDINANCES** Provides relative to administrative adjudication of certain ordinance violations in the city of Alexandria

**HB 87 MACK DISTRICTS/SPECIAL** Provides relative to the board of commissioners of Livingston Parish Gas Utility District No. 1

**HB 115 BAMBURG POLICE/MUNICIPAL** Provides for the abolition of the office of police chief and the police department in the village of Edgfield

<b>HB 116</b>	<b>JOHNSON, TRAVIS DISTRICTS/RAILROAD</b> Provides relative to the Northeast Louisiana Multimodal District	<b>HB 530</b>	<b>BERAULT LOCAL GOVERNMENT</b> (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for home rule charter or plan of government provisions affecting certain parish officials and school boards
<b>HB 162</b>	<b>MCMAKIN DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT</b> Provides relative to the Jefferson Place/Bocage Crime Prevention and Improvement District		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.
<b>HB 200</b>	<b>BAYHAM NUISANCE/PUBLIC</b> Provides relative to the growth of grass, weeds, and other deleterious matter in St. Bernard Parish		NOTE: Statements may be filed with the House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs via email at h-mpc@legis.la.gov. Statements submitted, and the information contained therein, are public records and subject to disclosure pursuant to public records laws.
<b>HB 208</b>	<b>CARTER, ROBBY LOCAL GOVERNMENT</b> Provides for a local option election to establish term limits for members of the governing authority of St. Helena Parish		Audio/visual presentations, such as PowerPoint, shall be filed with the House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs via email at h-mpc@legis.la.gov at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled start of the committee meeting. No flash or thumb drives will be accepted.
<b>HB 212</b>	<b>MARCELLE DISTRICTS/ECONOMIC DEVEL</b> Creates the Delmont Economic Development District in East Baton Rouge Parish		Thursday, April 16, 2026 Committee Room 6 Upon Adjournment
<b>HB 239</b>	<b>MARCELLE DISTRICTS/REDEVELOPMENT</b> Provides relative to the East Baton Rouge Redevelopment Authority		<u>INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:</u>
<b>HB 257</b>	<b>VENTRELLA LOCAL OFFL/POLICE CHIEFS</b> Provides relative to the powers and duties of the police chief of the city of Central		Any legislative instrument listed on the agenda for April 15, 2026, that is not disposed of may be carried over to the meeting on Thursday, April 16, 2026. (House Rule 14.24(A))
<b>HB 362</b>	<b>NEWELL DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT</b> Creates the Regency Park Townhomes Crime Prevention and Security District in Orleans Parish	<b>HB 573</b>	<b>HILFERTY SEWERAGE/N O WATER BD</b> Provides relative to the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans
<b>HB 368</b>	<b>FREEMAN DISTRICTS/HISTORIC</b> Provides relative to historic preservation districts and landmarks commissions in the city of New Orleans	<b>HB 601</b>	<b>YOUNG MUNICIPAL</b> Provides relative to municipal water and wastewater systems
<b>HB 433</b>	<b>FREIBERG ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b> Provides relative to the Baton Rouge Area Chamber of Commerce	<b>HB 741</b>	<b>BOYD HOUSING</b> Provides relative to housing for victims of human trafficking
<b>HB 441</b>	<b>FREEMAN SEWERAGE/N O WATER BD</b> Provides relative to employees of the New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board	<b>HB 788</b>	<b>MCMAKIN DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT</b> Provides relative to the boundaries of the Melrose East Crime Prevention District in East Baton Rouge Parish
<b>HB 447</b>	<b>LYONS DISTRICTS/ECONOMIC DEVEL</b> Creates the Avondale and Waggaman Economic Development District in Jefferson Parish	<b>HB 793</b>	<b>MUSCARELLO LOCAL GOVERNMENT</b> Provides relative to recorded instruments affecting subdivisions
<b>HB 465</b>	<b>GLORIOSO DISTRICTS/TAXING</b> Creates the Violet Economic Development District in St. Bernard Parish	<b>HB 795</b>	<b>LANDRY, MANDIE LOCAL GOVERNMENT</b> Limits fees charged to Orleans Parish taxing authorities for tax collection services
<b>HB 466</b>	<b>LACOMBE TAX/TAX REBATES</b> Authorizes rebates of ad valorem taxes in West Feliciana Parish under certain conditions	<b>HB 893</b>	<b>KNOX SEWERAGE/N O WATER BD</b> Provides relative to the New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board
<b>HB 472</b>	<b>KNOX HOUSING</b> Authorizes municipalities to implement rent stabilization	<b>HB 894</b>	<b>DEWITT CIVIL SERVICE/FIRE &amp; POL</b> Provides relative to the powers and duties of certain firefighters in the city of Alexandria
<b>HB 481</b>	<b>RISER PUBLIC PRINTING</b> Provides for the cost of publishing official proceedings and public notices	<b>HB 990</b>	<b>LYONS LOCAL GOVERNMENT</b> Provides for a privilege in favor of parishes, sewerage districts, and waterworks districts for certain unpaid service charges or user fees
<b>HB 483</b>	<b>NEWELL DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT</b> Provides relative to the Faubourg Marigny Security and Improvement District in Orleans Parish	<b>HB 1007</b>	<b>KNOX DISTRICTS/SPECIAL</b> Creates the Faubourg Nouveau Marigny Improvement District in Orleans Parish
<b>HB 484</b>	<b>NEWELL DISTRICTS/ECONOMIC DEVEL</b> Provides relative to the New Orleans Regional Business Park		

- HB 1051 PHELPS PROPERTY/VACANT SUBSTAND**  
Provides relative to the demolition of certain dilapidated property in the city of Shreveport
- HB 1067 ADAMS CIVIL SERVICE/FIRE & POL** Provides relative to the fire and police civil service
- HB 1080 PHELPS PROPERTY/VACANT SUBSTAND**  
Provides relative to condemned commercial property in the city of Shreveport
- HB 1087 ADAMS CORRECTIONS/PRISONERS**  
Authorizes the city of Zachary to use certain inmates to cut grass in certain cemeteries
- HB 1111 KERNER CIVIL SERVICE/FIRE & POL** Provides relative to the reemployment of certain employees of the fire and police civil service
- HB 1153 COATES ENVIRONMENT/ENFORCEMENT**  
Authorizes parishes and municipalities to declare bans on burning
- HB 1181 VENTRELLA DISTRICTS/TAXING** Provides relative to the creation of and levy of taxes by certain special districts
- HB 1215 BAYHAM CULTURE/REC/TOURDEPT** Provides relative to the disposition of certain historical statues and monuments
- HCR 39 WALTERS LOCAL GOVERNMENT** Urges and requests the city of Shreveport to create an interest-free loan program for active Transportation Security Administration agents at the Shreveport Regional Airport
- HR 84 WALTERS LOCAL GOVERNMENT** Urges and requests the city of Shreveport to create an interest-free loan program for active Transportation Security Administration agents at the Shreveport Regional Airport

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FOY BRYAN GADBERRY  
Chair

Committee on Natural Resources and Environment  
Tuesday, April 14, 2026

Committee Room 4  
9:00 a.m.

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

- HR 1 BOURRIAQUE COASTAL RESOURCES**  
Approves the annual state integrated coastal protection plan for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, as adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board
- HB 804 GEYMANN ENERGY** Creates the Louisiana Energy Protection Act
- HB 1042 GREEN PROPERTY** Authorizes the transfer of certain state property in Jefferson Parish
- HB 1056 YOUNG PROPERTY/PUBLIC** Authorizes the transfer of certain state property in Natchitoches Parish
- HB 1161 FONTENOT PROPERTY/PUBLIC** Authorizes the transfer of certain state property in Lafourche Parish
- SB 244 ALLAIN HUNTERS/HUNTING** Provides for recreational hunting of alligators. (8/1/26)

OTHER BUSINESS:

Consideration of surplus state property land management evaluation report, Acadiana Center for Youths, Avoyelles Parish

Consideration of surplus state property land management evaluation report, Linwood Charter School Property, Caddo Parish

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INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

- HCR 4 MCCORMICK HUNTING/DEER** Suspends rules relative to chronic wasting disease
- HB 496 MCCORMICK ENERGY/OIL & GAS WELLS**  
Provides for the operation of saltwater disposal wells in the parishes of Bossier, Caddo, and Webster
- HB 706 RISER ENERGY/OIL & GAS WELLS** Provides for the operation of commercial saltwater disposal wells

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BRETT F. GEYMAN  
Chair

Committee on Retirement

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