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- SB1 McPherson HEALTH/HOSPITALS DEPT
Authorizes the Department of Health and Hospitals to develop and implement a health care delivery system for Medicaid recipients and low-income uninsured citizens. (8/15/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB3 Marionneaux TAX/SALES
Establishes annual Louisiana Sales Tax Holidays to exempt from state sales tax each year from Sunday through Saturday of the week in which the first day of August occurs the first \$2,500 of purchases made by consumers. (gov sig)
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 34 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- SB9 Hines MOTOR VEHICLES
Extends for five years to August 1, 2012, the authority to issue special permits to owners/operators of vehicles hauling sugarcane who have not added an additional axle on the trailer and provides tax credit for conversion or acquisition of trailers which haul sugarcane. (gov sig)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB21 Smith, Mike FUNDS/FUNDING
Increases the portion of the severance tax on timber allocated to the Forestry Productivity Fund, from seventy-five percent to one hundred percent. (1/1/08)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB26 Nevers TAX/LOCAL
Expands the option given to political subdivisions to grant farm machinery and equipment an immediate or phased-in exclusion from their taxes to include granting an exclusion for any other machinery, equipment, supplies, materials, or services used or consumed in the business of farming. (7/1/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB31 Murray SPECIAL DISTRICTS
Repeals law providing for World Trade Center Taxing District. (8/15/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB32 Murray TAX/TAXATION
Grants an individual and corporate income tax deduction for Road Home, Louisiana Recovery Authority, and Louisiana Family Recovery Corps benefits. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB34 Dupre SPECIAL DISTRICTS
Provides for a tapping fee for Consolidated Waterworks District No. 1 of Terrebonne Parish. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB45 Marionneaux TAX/INCOME/PERSONAL
Grants an individual income tax deduction for elementary and secondary education tuition. (gov sig)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB53 Dupre FUNDS/FUNDING
Creates Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Financing Corporation to securitize income stream for coastal purposes. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

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SB54	Dupre	ETHICS	Provides relative to insurance producers and governmental entities. (gov sig) - Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
SB56	Barham	GROUP BENEFITS PROGRAM	Enables certain state employees and officials to continue membership in State Group Benefits Insurance Plan for payment of 100 % of premium after state service ends. (gov sig) - Notice House adopted Conference Committee report. - Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
SB58	Ellington	STATE POLICE RET FUND	Allows actuarial purchase of retirement credit for out-of-state law enforcement service. (7/1/07) - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 37 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
SB65	Adley	TAX/SALES	Provides an exemption in the form of a restricted refund of state sales tax to nonprofit organizations which sell donated items and spend at least 75% of their income on matters related to people with workplace disabilities or disadvantages. (1/1/08) - Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
SB70	Michot	TAX/TAXATION	Extends the termination date of the sound recording investor tax credit and makes other changes and provides tax credits for conversion of eligible sugar cane trailers. (gov sig) - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 38 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled - Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
SB73	Broome	CHILDREN	Enacts the Uniform International Child Abduction Prevention Act. (8/15/07) - Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
SB82	McPherson	NURSING HOMES	Provides for violations and penalties for nursing homes and health care facilities. (gov sig) - Notice House recommitted report to Conference Committee.
SB83	Gautreaux, B.	STATE POLICE RET FUND	Provides a cost-of-living adjustment for certain beneficiaries with twenty years of service credit. (6/30/07) - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 36 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled - Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
SB86	Quinn	SCHOOLS	Limits eligibility for tenure for Orleans Parish non-teacher employees. (7/1/07) - Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
SB90	Gautreaux, N.	TAX EXEMPTIONS	Provides an individual income tax credit for the installation of a wind or solar energy system which may be carried forward for 10 tax years. (gov sig) - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 37 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled

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- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- SB94 Chaisson TOPS
Provides an exception to the TOPS residency requirements for certain students who are dependents of certain military personnel. (gov sig)
- Conference committee report read; rules suspended; report recommitted to conference committee.
 - By a vote of 25 yeas and 12 nays.
 - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, report failed to be adopted by vote of 14 yeas and 12 nays.
 - Notice of reconsideration.
 - Rules suspended
 - By a vote of 24 yeas and 9 nays.
 - Reconsidered.
 - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 23 yeas and 10 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
 - Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- SB96 Amedee STATE EMPLOYEE RET
Provides relative to reemployment of retirees. (7/1/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB97 Schedler NURSING HOMES
Permits licensure of a limited number of additional nursing beds in certain existing nursing facilities. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB98 Schedler FUNDS/FUNDING
Creates the New Opportunities Waiver Fund and dedicates certain revenues to the fund. (7/1/07)
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
 - Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB103 Jackson, L. REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
Provides relative to the compensation of registrars of voters and their chief deputies and confidential assistants and election commissioners. (7/1/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB104 Jackson, L. BANKS/BANKING
Designates banking development districts to encourage establishment of financial institution branches in such districts. (8/15/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB111 Hines HOSPITALS
Provides for the creation of the North Louisiana LSUHSC-S/Rural Hospital Network Act. (gov sig)
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 35 yeas and 2 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
- SB122 Murray LOCAL AGENCIES
Provides in certain expedited procedures under the New Orleans Community Improvement Act. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

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SB124	Broome	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	Enacts the Louisiana Community Economic Development Act. (gov sig) - Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
SB127	Boasso	RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	Constitutional amendment to require increases in benefits for state retirement systems to also provide a funding source. (2/3-CA13s1(A)) - Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
SB129	Ullo	SHERIFFS	Provides for the payment of off-duty Plaquemines Parish deputy sheriffs subpoenaed to appear in certain cases. (gov sig) - Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
SB142	Duplessis	FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	Provides that certain criminal history records be made available to the office of financial institutions. (gov sig) - Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
SB144	Duplessis	LAW ENFORCEMENT	Relative to the rights of fire employees and law enforcement officers while under investigation. (8/15/07) - Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
SB146	Dupre	FUNDS/FUNDING	Creates the Windfall Highway, Infrastructure, and Protection (WHIP) Fund and requires the deposit in the fund of certain mineral revenues in excess of the amount required to be deposited in the Budget Stabilization Fund, dedicated to certain infrastructure, hurricane protection, and coastal restoration projects. (7/1/08) - Notice House adopted Conference Committee report. - Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
SB153	Dupre	INSURERS	Provides for depopulation of the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation. (See Act) - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 36 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled - Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
SB156	Gautreaux, B.	LEVEES	Creates and provides for a levee district for that portion of St. Mary Parish which is not embraced within the limits of any other levee district and provides for the territorial jurisdiction of the Atchafalaya Basin Levee District and its board. (7/1/07) - Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
SB158	Marionneaux	MILITARY AFFAIRS	Provides for insurance allowances for Louisiana National Guard members. (gov sig) - Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
SB161	Nevers	ABORTION	Prohibits partial birth abortions. (gov sig) - Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
SB162	Shepherd	JUDGES	

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- Provides relative to a vacancy in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal. (8/15/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB172 Chaisson CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Relative to compensation for wrongful conviction and imprisonment. (8/15/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB175 Murray PLANNING/ZONING
Provides for running of prescription in certain actions to enforce zoning restrictions or regulations in the Vieux Carre section of New Orleans. (8/15/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB180 McPherson PUBLIC LANDS
Authorizes the transfer of certain state properties. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB181 Nevers NURSING HOMES
Provides relative to the bed abeyance program and exempts Washington Parish from the moratorium on any additional nursing facilities or additional beds in nursing facilities. (gov sig)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB182 Quinn TAX/INCOME/PERSONAL
Grants a "construction code retrofitting deduction" against taxable income equal to 50% of the cost of voluntarily retrofitting residential property, for which the taxpayer claims the homestead exemption for ad valorem tax purposes, excluding rental property, to bring it into compliance with the State Uniform Construction Code, not to exceed a \$5,000 deduction. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB183 Quinn PROPERTY INSURANCE
Requires that the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation give a preference for insurance adjuster work to Louisiana companies and authorizes legislative auditor to access records of Property Insurance Association of La. and La. Automobile Insurance Plan. (8/15/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB195 Cain INSURERS
Provides for privatization of the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation. (8/15/07)
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- SB202 Cravins, Jr. LOCAL AGENCIES
Provides for the creation of a redevelopment authority within the city of Opelousas. (gov sig)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB204 Cravins, Jr. INSURANCE PREMIUMS
Provides for changes in homeowner insurance policy deductibles. (8/15/07)
- Conference committee report read; rules suspended; report recommitted to conference committee.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 31 yeas and 3 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- SB208 Mount CHILDREN

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Provides for the appointment and duties of a parenting coordinator in child custody cases. (8/15/07)

- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

SB211 Mount TAX/TAXATION

Provides for claiming of the tax credit for assessments levied by Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation on forms provided by the secretary of revenue after the payment is made. (gov sig)

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SB217 Murray SPECIAL DISTRICTS

Establishes the New Orleans City Park Taxing District. (8/15/07)

- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

SB218 Murray TAX/TAXATION

Grants refundable income tax credits related to musical or theatrical productions and musical or theatrical facility infrastructure projects. (gov sig)

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SB223 Michot AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE

Increases minimum motor vehicle liability insurance limits. (1/1/08)

- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

SB226 Fontenot HEALTH/HOSPITALS DEPT

Provides for home-generated sharps waste. (8/15/87)

- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

SB232 Bajoie HOUSING

Creates the Louisiana Housing Counseling Assistance Act. (gov sig)

- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.

SB233 Cravins, Jr. TAX/LOCAL

Authorizes the governing authority of the city of Opelousas to levy a hotel/motel occupancy tax within the city of Opelousas. (gov sig)

- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

SB234 Smith, Mike ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Creates the Winn Parish Economic Development District. (gov sig)

- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

SB240 Amedee COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS

Requires that certain state-funded major facility projects meet energy efficient standards. (gov sig)

- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

SB250 Michot TAX/TAXATION

Authorizes a business to receive a \$2,500 enterprise zone credit if 35% of its employees are residents of any enterprise zone, not just an enterprise zone within the parish of its location or a contiguous parish. (gov sig)

- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

SB255 Hollis TAX/TAXATION

Provides relative to tobacco tax discounts to out-of-state wholesale tobacco dealers. (8/15/07)

- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.

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- SB259 Cain WORKERS' COMPENSATION
Changes the amount of retained premiums which must be maintained by self-insurers. (8/15/07)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB262 Adley PUBLIC SERVICE COMN
Prohibits certain parties from disconnecting a natural gas pipeline to a municipality without prior notice and hearing. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB265 Ullo SCHOOLS
Changes mandatory expulsion periods for certain student offenses. (8/15/07)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB275 Gautreaux, N. PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
Excepts certain drivers transporting liquefied petroleum gas from the requirement of a personnel competency test and card. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB280 Ellington TRANSPORTATION/DEV DEPT
Increases the "contract limit" for DOTD contracts which are subject to certain advertising and bid requirements from \$250,000 to \$500,000; increases from \$25,000 to \$50,000 contracts for which advertisement is optional; and provides for electronic bidding. (7/1/07)
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB282 Schedler HEALTH CARE
Provides for the timely reporting of impaired health care professionals to state licensing boards. (8/15/07)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB285 Michot ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Amends the Louisiana Quality Jobs Program. (gov sig)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB286 Heitmeier LAW ENFORCEMENT
Extends eligibility for supplemental pay for police officers and firefighters of certain agencies servicing levees, waterways and riverfront areas in municipalities with a population exceeding 450,000. (See Act)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SB290 Smith, Mike MOTOR VEHICLES
Provides for the Louisiana Vehicle Protection Product Act. (1/1/08)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB292 Michot TAX EXEMPTIONS
Removes the 10-year limit on tax equalization contracts granted by the Board of Commerce and Industry against state excise taxes (not property taxes) and authorizes renewals for five-year periods or less, if approved by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. (gov sig)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB294 Shepherd LOCAL AGENCIES
Authorizes the Jefferson Parish Housing Authority to levy a tax with approval of the parish governing authority. (7/1/07)

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- SB360 Michot TAX/SALES
Phases out, and then repeals effective January 1, 2009, collection of advance sales tax of the state and its political subdivisions by manufacturers, wholesalers, jobbers, and suppliers from retail dealers. (1/1/09)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB361 Duplessis TAX/TAXATION
Grants school readiness tax credits to individuals for child care expenses of children five and under, to child care providers, to child care directors and staff, and to businesses providing assistance for child care. (See Act)
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SB364 Murray SPECIAL DISTRICTS
Establishes and provides for the French Quarter-Marigny Historic Area Management District in the city of New Orleans. (gov sig)
- Sent to the Governor for Executive approval.
- SCR31 McPherson ROADS/HIGHWAYS
Requests DOTD, in consultation with local authorities, to evaluate the development of beltway around the cities of Alexandria and Pineville.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SCR41 Gautreaux, N. COMMUNITY TECH SYSTEM
Requests LCTCS to submit quarterly progress reports regarding implementation of regional coordination plan for technical colleges.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SCR64 Jones VOTERS/VOTING
Requests every mayor, sheriff and chief of police in the state of Louisiana to make available the opportunity for every person who is incarcerated, but not convicted of a crime, the right to vote absentee in the fall 2007 elections.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 26 yeas and 5 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- SCR91 Lentini COURTS
Requests study by supreme court, in conjunction with the judicial council, of case filing and other data used to determine the need for judgeships and reporting on judicial performance.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SCR97 Gautreaux, N. HEALTH SERVICES
Requests joint committee study of medical staffing agencies.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SCR111 McPherson GOVERNOR
Requests the Patient's Compensation Oversight Board to direct the staff of the Patient's Compensation Fund to publish an annual report on the status of the Patient's Compensation Fund.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SCR122 Malone CONDOLENCES
Expresses condolences upon the death of Ronald Stewart Wehlander.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.
- SCR123 Jackson, L. COMMITTEE STUDIES
Requests the Senate Finance Committee and the House Appropriations Committee to jointly study the

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inclusion of the annual tax exemption budget as part of the General Appropriations Bill.

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR124 Mount ROADS/HIGHWAYS
Requests DOTD to memorialize a certain portion of Enterprise Boulevard in Lake Charles as Nellie Lutcher Memorial Parkway.

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR125 Hines CONDOLENCES
Expresses condolences upon the death of John M. LaPlante, Jr.

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR126 Broome EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
Requests the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness to study the appropriate housing of registered sexual offenders during emergencies.

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR127 Quinn COMMENDATIONS
Commends the Falcons of St. Thomas Aquinas in Hammond upon winning the Class 2A Basketball Championship.

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR128 Jackson, L. COMMITTEE STUDIES
Requests Senate and House committees on health and welfare to jointly study the current status of the chronic disease of asthma in Louisiana.

- Received from the House without amendments.

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR129 Murray CONGRESS
Memorializes Congress to direct the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to take all necessary actions and steps to provide the state the proposed one hundred year flood protection.

- Received from the House without amendments.

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR131 Jones ASSESSORS
Request tax assessors throughout the state to adopt the capitalized income approach when assessing the valuation of Low Income Housing Tax Credit properties.

- Received from the House without amendments.

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR132 Malone COMMENDATIONS
Commends the Reverend Dr. Will K. Andress upon his retirement from Centenary College.

- Received from the House without amendments.

SCR133 Marionneaux COMMITTEE STUDIES
Requests joint committee study of the legal issues, costs, and feasibility of providing live audio and video broadcasts of all Senate, House, and other legislative committee meetings and floor proceedings and the download and archiving of such broadcasts.

- Received from the House without amendments.

- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR134 Duplessis CONGRESS
Memorializes Congress to urge and request the respective executive branch departments to take a

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proactive role in assisting the communities of New Orleans East in protecting their health and safety and in promoting economic development.

- Received from the House without amendments.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR135

Barham REVENUE DEPARTMENT

Requests the Department of Revenue to adopt regulations and take other steps to insure the non-taxability of sales of tangible personal property for use outside the state of Louisiana.

- Received from the House without amendments.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR136

Barham REVENUE DEPARTMENT

Requests the Department of Revenue to adopt regulations and take other steps to insure the continued implementation of the three-part test for identifying non-taxable raw materials for sales and use tax purposes.

- Received from the House without amendments.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR137

Hines CONGRESS

Memorializes Congress to provide funding for the Louisiana University of Medical Sciences, Inc., College of Primary Care Medicine.

- Received from the House without amendments.
- Enrolled and signed by the President of the Senate.

SCR138

Gautreaux, N. COMMITTEE STUDIES

Requests joint committee study of requiring certificates of compliance affixed to a motor vehicle windshield as evidence of insurance coverage.

- Rules suspended; introduced in the Senate. Read by title. Rules suspended; adopted by the vote of 39 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
- Received from the House without amendments.

SCR139

Shepherd COMMENDATIONS

Commends Larry Haynes, Jr., Cory Haynes, and Jaran Haynes for their selfless and heroic actions in helping to save over 1,500 children, adults, senior citizens, and handicapped from the flood waters in New Orleans during the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

- Rules suspended; introduced in the Senate. Read by title. Rules suspended; adopted by the vote of 39 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
- Received from the House without amendments.

SR120

Bajoie COMMENDATIONS

Commends Calvin F. Mills, Jr. for his efforts to close the "digital divide" among socioeconomic classes.

- Called from the calendar.
- Read by title, adopted.

SR153

Hines COMMENDATIONS

Commends J. Chris Ullo for his many years of public service in the Louisiana Senate and the legislature.

- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
- Rules suspended
- Read by title, adopted.

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- SR154 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Senator Gerald J. Theunissen for many years of distinguished public service in the Louisiana Senate and to the state of Louisiana.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
- Rules suspended
- Read by title, adopted.
- SR155 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Kenneth M. "Mike" Smith for his many years of public service in the Louisiana Senate.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
- Rules suspended
- Read by title, adopted.
- SR156 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends John T. "Tom" Schedler for his many years of public service in the Louisiana Senate.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
- Rules suspended
- Read by title, adopted.
- SR157 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Craig F. Romero for his many years of public service in the Louisiana Senate.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
- Rules suspended
- Read by title, adopted.
- SR158 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Senator Max T. Malone for his many years of service to the citizens of Bossier and Caddo parishes and the state of Louisiana while a member of the Louisiana Senate, and the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
- Rules suspended
- Read by title, adopted.
- SR159 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Arthur J. "Art" Lentini for his many years of public service in the Louisiana Senate.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
- Rules suspended
- Read by title, adopted.
- SR160 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends and expresses appreciation to the Honorable Ken Hollis for his outstanding legislative service and recognizes his contributions to his district and the state.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
- Rules suspended
- Read by title, adopted.
- SR161 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Noble E. Ellington, Jr. for his many years of public service in the Louisiana Senate and the legislature.

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- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
 - Rules suspended
 - Read by title, adopted.
- SR162 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends James David Cain for his years of public service in the Louisiana Senate and the legislature.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
 - Rules suspended
 - Read by title, adopted.
- SR163 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Senator Walter J. Boasso for his dedication, devotion, and commitment to the constituents of Senate District 1, the citizens of the state of Louisiana, and his colleagues in the Senate.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
 - Rules suspended
 - Read by title, adopted.
- SR164 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Robert J. Barham for his years of public service in the Louisiana Senate.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
 - Rules suspended
 - Read by title, adopted.
- SR165 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Charles D. Jones for his many years of public service in the Louisiana Senate and the legislature.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
 - Rules suspended
 - Read by title, adopted.
- SR166 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends the Honorable Francis C. Heitmeier and expresses enduring gratitude for his outstanding contributions to Orleans, Jefferson and Plaquemines parishes and the state of Louisiana, particularly during his tenure as a distinguished member of the Louisiana Senate.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
 - Rules suspended
 - Read by title, adopted.
- SR167 Hines COMMENDATIONS
Commends Senate President Pro Tempore Diana E. Bajoie for her many years of public service in the Senate and the legislature and as President Pro Tempore of the Louisiana Senate.
- Introduced in the Senate, read first time by title.
 - Rules suspended
 - Read by title, adopted.
- SR168 Bajoie COMMENDATIONS
Commends Senate President Donald E. Hines, M.D., for his many years of public service in the Louisiana Senate and as President of the Louisiana Senate.

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- Rules suspended; introduced in the Senate. Read by title, rules suspended, adopted.
- SR179 Jones COMMENDATIONS
Commends and congratulates Rosie Lee on the occasion of her pending retirement.
- Rules suspended; introduced in the Senate. Read by title, rules suspended, adopted.
- SR180 Bajoie LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS
Requests appointment of committee to notify the governor that legislature is ready to adjourn sine die.
- Rules suspended; introduced in the Senate. Read by title, rules suspended, adopted.
- SR181 Bajoie LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS
Requests appointment of committee to notify House of Representatives that the Senate is ready to adjourn sine die.
- Rules suspended; introduced in the Senate. Read by title, rules suspended, adopted.
- HB29 Frith TAX/SALES-USE, ST-EXEMPT
Provides relative to the effectiveness of the state sales tax exemption for certain farm irrigation equipment
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 37 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB58 Hutter APPROPRIATIONS
Appropriates to the St. Bernard Parish School Board to assist with the payment of Office of Group Benefits insurance premiums for certain retirees
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- HB170 Farrar TAX/SALES & USE
Provides for a state sales and use tax exclusion for machinery and equipment for certain utilities
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 38 yeas and 0 nays.
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- HB178 Doerge CHILDREN/ABUSE
Provides relative to prenatal neglect
- Signed by the President of the Senate.
- HB225 St. Germain TAX/SALES-USE-EXEMPT
Authorizes an annual "sales tax holiday" for the purchase of certain hurricane-preparedness items or supplies
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 33 yeas and 0 nays.
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- HB308 Baldone JUDGMENTS/CIVIL
Provides for venue in examination of judgment debtors
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 37 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB315 LaFleur MTR VEHICLE/LICEN PLATES
Creates the "Chez nous autres" prestige license plate
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.

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- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 32 yeas and 2 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB360 Townsend CONTRACTS
Provides relative to state contracts for provision and processing of credit and debit cards or devices by public institutions of higher education
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 36 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB380 Smith, John DISTRICT ATTORNEYS
Provides for payment of health insurance premiums for retired district attorneys in the 30th JDC
- Signed by the President of the Senate.

HB413 Tucker LEVEES/BDS & DISTRICTS
Provides relative to the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-West Bank
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 29 yeas and 5 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.

HB414 Kleckley TRANSPORTATION
Creates the Interstate 10 Corridor District in portions of Calcasieu, Jefferson Davis, Acadia, Lafayette, and St. Martin parishes
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 37 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB431 Farrar INSURANCE
Changes the governor's appointments to the governing body of the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 36 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB436 Martiny INDIGENT DEFENSE
Creates the Louisiana Public Defender Board and provides with respect to the delivery of public defender services in the state of Louisiana
- Signed by the President of the Senate.

HB498 Anders HOUSING/MANUFACTURED
Provides relative to owners or operators of manufactured home parks or communities
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 39 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB505 Richmond TAX/SALES & USE
Authorizes a sales and use tax exemption for certain manufacturers
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 36 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.

HB525 Jackson, M. TAX INCREMENT FINANCING

Chamber: Senate

- Provides for a tax increment financing district in East Baton Rouge Parish
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
 - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 34 yeas and 3 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB532 Daniel ETHICS/BOARD
Provides for the position of ethics administrator and prohibits him from engaging in certain activities
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
 - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 38 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB552 Frith TAX/HOTEL OCCUPANCY
Requires the Vermilion Parish Tourist Commission to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the governing authority of Vermilion parish for certain purposes
- Notice House recommitted report to Conference Committee.
 - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 35 yeas and nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
 - Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- HB568 Townsend TAX EXEMPTIONS
Authorizes a culinary arts and food science investor tax credit
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 39 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB607 Alario LOCAL FINANCE
Authorizes Jefferson Parish to create a special district and to provide for its governance and powers
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 31 yeas and 4 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB614 Beard ABORTION
Provides with respect to partial birth abortion
- Signed by the President of the Senate.
- HB615 Alario FUNDS/FUNDING
Provides relative to the use of certain state funds
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
 - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 39 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB626 Walsworth DISTRICTS/PUBLIC IMPROVE
Creates and provides for the Ouachita Expressway Authority and its board of commissioners
- Signed by the President of the Senate.
- HB632 Strain HEALTH/HOSPICES
Imposes a moratorium on hospice facilities for a period of eighteen months
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
 - Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 35 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB671 Salter RETIREMENT/STATE EMPS
Provides relative to retirement benefits for certain employees of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections

Chamber: Senate

Ancillary appropriations for operating expenses of the state for Fiscal Year 2007-2008

- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 39 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB841 Quezaire AIRCRAFT/AIRPORTS
Provides with respect to the Louisiana Airport Authority

- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.

HB846 Bruce COURTS/DISTRICT
Creates a new judicial district out of the 11th JDC

- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 34 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB849 Daniel TAX INCREMENT FINANCING
Provides for tax increment financing for certain purposes in certain cities

- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 32 yeas and 3 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB870 Pinac TAX CREDITS
Creates the Hurricane Recovery Capital Tax Credit Program

- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 35 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB883 LaFonta HEALTH
Provides with respect to the Louisiana Diabetes Initiatives Council

- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 37 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB892 Townsend TAX CREDITS
Provides for extensions of time for certain tax credits

- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 38 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB916 Farrar TAX/SALES & USE
Provides for a state and local sales and use tax exclusion for leases or rentals by manufacturers of pallets which are used in packaging products produced by the manufacturer

- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 33 yeas and 2 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

HB926 LaFonta TAX CREDITS
Creates the Mentor-Protégé Tax Credit Program

- Signed by the President of the Senate.

HB929 Triche TAX CREDITS
Provides for overpayments made by certain taxpayers under the inventory tax credit

- Signed by the President of the Senate.

Chamber: Senate

- HB935 Gallot TELECOMMUNICATIONS
Provides relative to the taxation of telecommunications services
- Signed by the President of the Senate.
- HB936 Townsend TAX CREDITS
Provides for changes and modifications to the motion picture investor tax credits, especially with regard to state-certified infrastructure credits
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 39 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB944 Gallot TAX/SALES-USE, ST-CREDIT
Provides for a state sales and use tax exemption for certain water conservation equipment in the Sparta Groundwater Conservation District
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 35 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB949 Marchand TAX/INCOME TAX
Provides for an individual income tax credit for persons who volunteer for certain recreation departments
- Notice House rejected Senate amendments, and House conferees appointed.
- Senate conference committee appointed: Duplessis, Mount, and Michot.
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 39 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB960 Carter, K. INSURANCE/RATING COMM
Abolishes the Insurance Rating Commission and establishes the office of consumer advocacy within the Department of Insurance
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 32 yeas and 2 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB962 Morrell INSURANCE
Provides that the Louisiana Citizens Property Insurance Corporation shall charge the higher of the actuarial rate or the rates equal to the highest of the top ten insurers with the greatest total direct written premium for residential property in any noncompetitive market
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 37 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled
- HB969 Downs CRIME/SEX OFFENSES
Prohibits sexual contact between an educator and a student
- Signed by the President of the Senate.
- HB970 Cazayoux SEX OFFENSE/REGISTRY
Provides for comprehensive revision of the sex offender registration and notification provisions
- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.
- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 38 yeas and 0 nays.
Motion to reconsider tabled

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HB973	Ritchie	TAX CREDITS	Provides for a tax credit for certain milk producers <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 36 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
HB974	Farrar	JUDGES	Provides for the salary for justices of the supreme court and judges of the courts of appeal, district courts, parish courts, and city courts as recommended by the Judicial Compensation Commission <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 29 yeas and 6 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
HB975	Odinot	TAX/SALES-USE-EXEMPT	Provides for a state sales and use tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property required to rebuild, repair, or replace certain storm-damaged property <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Notice House adopted Conference Committee report.- Conference committee report read, rules suspended, adopted by a vote of 37 yeas and 0 nays. Motion to reconsider tabled
HCR52	Smith, Jack	LEGISLATIVE AGCY/LAW INST	Directs the Louisiana State Law Institute to change the symbols used to denote degrees, minutes, and seconds to words <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Notice House rejected Senate amendments, and House conferees appointed.- Senate conference committee appointed: Malone, Dupre, and Lentini.
HCR79	Farrar	WATER/RESOURCES	Requests the commissioner of conservation to require periodic water loss audits <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR231	Gray	HOSPITALS/CHARITY-N O	Directs the entities named in R.S. 17:1519.9 to update the bylaws to properly reflect those entities currently participating in the cooperative endeavor agreement, and submit the minutes of the meetings to the speaker of the House of Representatives, president of the Senate, and House and Senate health and welfare committees <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR267	Scalise	COMMENDATIONS	Recognizes the Archbishop Rummel High School-based baseball team upon winning the American Legion World Series <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR268	Alario	FUNDS/FUNDING	Requests the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget to study the issues relative to implementation of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements No. 43 and 45, which prescribe accounting and reporting requirements for post-employment benefits other than pension benefits <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR269	Frith	WILDLIFE & FISHERIES CMN	Requests the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries to return to the prior method of selecting a contractor for alligator egg harvest at White Lake Wetlands Conservation Area <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Signed by the President of the Senate.

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HCR270	Gallot	COMMENDATIONS	Recognizes the 100th anniversary of competition between the Homer High School and Haynesville High School football teams and commends the teams, their schools, and their fans for continuing the rivalry's tradition - Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR273	Tucker	FLOODING/CONTROL	Memorializes the U.S. Congress to direct the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to take all necessary actions and steps to provide the state the proposed one-hundred-year flood protection - Received in the Senate. Read first time by title, lies over under the rules.
HCR274	Baudoin	MTR VEHICLE/OFF ROAD	Memorializes congress to take action to force all all-terrain vehicle manufacturers and distributors to comply with safety regulations - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended, read by title and concurred in by the vote of 26 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
HCR275	LaBruzzo	COMMENDATIONS	Commends Cox Communications, Inc., for leading the cable industry in supporting the recovery of New Orleans - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended, read by title and concurred in by the vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
HCR276	Damico	COMMENDATIONS	To commend and thank Colonel Charles O. Smithers, III, for his meritorious service in the United States Army and for his leadership and performance in the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended, read by title and concurred in by the vote of 26 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
HCR277	LaBruzzo	STUDENTS	Requests the Jefferson Parish School Board to adopt certain policies relative to single-gender classes - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended, read by title and concurred in by the vote of 26 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
HCR278	Walsworth	SCHOOLS/CHARTER	Requests BESE and the commissioner of administration to take certain actions relative to a proposal to create the D'Arbonne Woods Charter School to provide educational services in Union Parish beginning with the 2008-2009 school year - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended, read by title and concurred in by the vote of 29 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
HCR279	Daniel	SCHOOLS	To commend LSU Laboratory School's eighth grade class for their "Caps for Katrina" project - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended, read by title and concurred in by the vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
HCR280	Scalise	BRIDGES/FERRIES	Requests the Department of Transportation and Development to study the feasibility of lighting the Huey P. Long Bridge - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended, read by title and concurred in by the vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
HCR282	Walsworth	HIGHWAYS	Requests DOTD to designate a portion of Interstate Highway 20 between the Interstate World War II Memorial Bridge in West Monroe and the Lincoln/Ouachita Parish Line as the Powell, Barnes and

Deal Memorial Highway

- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended, read by title and concurred in by the vote of 33 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.