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- SB13 Dupre FISH/FISHING
Changes the number of hoop nets allowed with a recreational gear license. (gov sig)
- Reported with amendments.
- SB14 Dupre PUBLIC CONTRACTS
Changes the termination date for contracts awarded for the restoration and rehabilitation of certain levees from 2008 to 2010. (gov sig)
- Reported favorably.
- SB15 Dupre MOTOR VEHICLES
Authorizes the issuance of a "Gold Star" motor vehicle prestige license plate. (8/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB20 Dupre FISH/FISHING
Provides relative to trawling vessels. (8/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB22 Dupre FISH/FISHING
Provides relative to required finfish stock assessment report. (8/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB25 Dupre SPECIAL DISTRICTS
Creates the Terrebonne Parish Veterans' Memorial District.
(gov sig)
- Reported favorably.
- SB37 Dupre NOTARIES
Authorizes certain ex officio notarial appointments by mayors in certain political subdivisions. (gov sig)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB48 McPherson WATER/WATERWAYS
Includes certain waters within state natural and scenic rivers system. (gov sig)
- Reported favorably.
- SB67 Dupre WILDLIFE/FISHERIES DEPT
Re-creates the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. (6/30/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB68 Dupre HUNTERS/HUNTING
Allows military personnel and POST-certified law enforcement personnel to file for firearm and hunter education exemption at certain offices. (8/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB89 Chaisson PLANNING/ZONING
Authorizes parish governing authorities in parishes with certain population to provide certain per diem for members of parish planning and zoning commission. (8/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB91 Quinn JUDGES
Provides for two additional judgeships in the Twenty-Second Judicial District Court with specified jurisdiction. (gov sig)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the

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House. Motion to reconsider tabled.

- SB94 Thompson TAX/TAXATION
Increases the portion of the severance tax on timber allocated to the Forestry Productivity Fund, from seventy-five percent to one hundred percent. (7/1/08)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB116 Martiny ROADS/HIGHWAYS
Re-names a certain portion of the West Bank Expressway as the Harry Lee Expressway.
- Reported favorably.
- SB121 Dupre PUBLIC CONTRACTS
Increases the contract limit amount for which the public bid process is required to \$200,000. (08/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB124 Dupre NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT
Re-creates the Department of Natural Resources.
- Reported favorably.
- SB127 Nevers SCHOOLS
Changes the renewal period for an approved charter school from a 10-year period to a period of up to 10 years. (8/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB133 Donahue PUBLIC WORKS
Requires the Louisiana Agricultural Finance Authority to comply with the public bid law. (8/15/08)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB139 Quinn SEIZURES/SALES
Provides for an increase in the amount of the homestead exemption from seizure and sale. (gov sig)
- Rules suspended. Read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- SB143 Gautreaux, N. CRIME/PUNISHMENT
Prohibits a "sex offender" from wearing a mask, hood or disguise during certain holidays and from distributing candy or other gifts on certain holidays to persons under eighteen years of age. (8/15/08)
- Senate floor amendments were read and adopted. The amended bill was read by title and finally passed by a vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB156 Cravins, Jr. SPECIAL DISTRICTS
Provides relative to the St. Landry Parish Economic and Industrial Development District. (8/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB164 Thompson MUSEUMS
Changes the name of the Aviation and Military Museum of Louisiana, Inc., to the Chennault Aviation and Military Museum of Louisiana, Inc. (8/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB175 Thompson AGRICULTURE/FOREST DEPT
Makes a technical correction to the name of the office of agricultural and environmental sciences. (gov sig)

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- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 29 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB176 Thompson AGRICULTURE/FOREST DEPT
Removes the commissioner of financial institutions from the membership of the State Market Commission. (gov sig)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 29 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB198 Thompson PESTICIDES/HERBICIDES
Authorizes state participation in the Pest Control Compact. (gov sig)
- Senate floor amendments were read and adopted. The amended bill was read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB237 Thompson CRIME/PUNISHMENT
Provides relative to the definition of criminal abandonment. (gov sig)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB242 McPherson PUBLIC PROPERTY
Authorizes the transfer of certain state property, located in Rapides Parish, from the Department of Health and Hospitals to the Department of Transportation and Development.
- Reported favorably.
- SB258 Gautreaux, N. CHILDREN
Provides relative to the Department of Social Services.
- Senate floor amendments were read and adopted. The amended bill was read by title and finally passed by a vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB263 Smith, John CRIME/PUNISHMENT
Provides for the crime of jumping bail. (8/15/08)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB264 Quinn DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
Provides with respect to domestic abuse assistance. (gov sig)
- Senate floor amendments were read and adopted. The amended bill was read by title and finally passed by a vote of 27 yeas and 1 nays. The bill was ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB270 McPherson PUBLIC PROPERTY
Authorizes the transfer of certain state property, located in Rapides Parish, from the state of Louisiana, from the Department of Health and Hospitals, to the Department of Transportation. (gov sig)
- Reported favorably.
- SB283 Crowe BOATS/BOATING
Names the boat launch at US-90 and Pearl River in Slidell as "Edward C. Scogin Memorial Boat Launch."
- Reported favorably.
- SB305 Dupre WILDLIFE/FISHERIES DEPT

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- Provides relative to certain leases granted by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. (8/15/08)
- Reported with amendments.
- SB360 McPherson POSTSECONDARY ED
Provides for the exclusion of certain semester hours in computing the amount due eligible nonpublic colleges and universities for educating La. residents.
(gov sig)
- Reported favorably.
- SB363 Nevers CIVIC EDUCATION
Provides for confidentiality of certain information on the applications of minors submitted for membership on the Legislative Youth Advisory Council and authorizes the designation of certain youth to serve in an advisory, nonvoting capacity to the council. (gov sig)
- Reported with amendments.
- SB365 Dupre GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION
Provides relative to the Louisiana Environmental Education Act. (gov sig)
- Reported favorably.
- SB371 Dupre FUNDS/FUNDING
Provides relative to the Aquatic Plant Control Fund. (8/15/08)
- Reported with amendments.
- SB406 Walsworth PUBLIC SFTY/CORRECT DEPT
Requires preparation of a report on salary schedules no later than the fifteenth day of November prior to a fiscal session.
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB412 McPherson TRANSPORTATION/DEV DEPT
Provides relative to notice requirements for Department of Transportation and Development bids for purchases. (7/1/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB440 Duplessis SCHOOLS
Requires public schools to provide parents with information regarding making complaints or requesting information. (gov sig)
- Reported with amendments.
- SB454 Michot FISCAL CONTROLS
Provides relative to the submission of the continuation budget. (08/15/08)
- Rules suspended; reported favorably.
- SB456 Michot FUNDS/FUNDING
Provides relative to the 2004 Overcollections Fund. (gov. sig)
- Rules suspended; reported favorably.
- SB469 Dupre CRIMINAL PROCEDURE
Provides for sentencing of adults for certain crimes committed as a child. (8/15/08)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB489 Thompson AGRICULTURE/FOREST DEPT
Provides an exemption for Department of Agriculture and Forestry aircraft from maintenance

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regulation by the aviation unit of the division of administration. (gov sig)

- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.

- SB491 McPherson PUBLIC CONTRACTS
Changes authorization for utilizing design-build contracts by the Department of Transportation and Development from a limited duration pilot program evaluating their effectiveness to a permanent program. (7/1/08)
 - Reported with amendments.
- SB492 Quinn FAMILY LAW
Provides relative to actions for failure to exercise rights or to allow rights pursuant to a court-ordered visitation schedule. (8/15/08)
 - Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 29 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB493 McPherson TRANSPORTATION/DEV DEPT
Provides for records of "safety sensitive infrastructure" of DOTD. (7/1/08)
 - Reported favorably.
- SB503 McPherson TRANSPORTATION/DEV DEPT
Repeals the adopt-a-road program in DEQ and reestablishes the program in DOTD. (gov sig)
 - Reported favorably.
- SB525 Erdey LOCAL AGENCIES
Requires parishes and municipalities to comply with federal flood plain management and flood insurance programs prior to construction of local flood protection or storm damage reduction projects. (7/1/08)
 - Reported favorably.
- SB528 Michot FUNDS/FUNDING
Authorizes and directs the treasurer to annually deposit monies from the Louisiana Lottery Proceeds Fund to the Compulsive and Problem Gaming Fund. (8/15/08)
 - Rules suspended; reported favorably.
- SB559 Marionneaux LEGISLATIVE AGENCIES
Requires compliance with audit requirements to receive appropriated funds. (8/15/08)
 - Senate floor amendments were read and adopted. The amended bill was read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB575 Michot FUNDS/FUNDING
Changes the date the governor is required to submit his plan of expenditures from the Louisiana fund. (8/15/08)
 - Rules suspended; reported favorably.
- SB608 Duplessis JUDGES
Provides for the term of office of a judge elected to fill a vacancy of the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court. (gov sig)
 - Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB612 Chaisson WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
Creates and provides for Louisiana Workforce Commission. (gov sig)

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- Reported with amendments.
- SB619 Thompson AGRICULTURE/FOREST DEPT
Repeals the Louisiana Crawfish Market Development Authority and removes certain statutory references. (gov sig)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB623 Thompson HORTICULTURE
Provides relative to violations of the Horticulture Law. (gov sig)
- Senate floor amendments were read and adopted. The amended bill was read by title and finally passed by a vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB641 Thompson AGRICULTURE/FOREST DEPT
Provides relative to the Boll Weevil Eradication Commission. (gov sig)
- Read by title and finally passed by a vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays. The bill was ordered to the House. Motion to reconsider tabled.
- SB653 Duplessis LEGISLATORS
Provides for a pay raise for legislative assistants and additional staffing for senators. (1/1/09)
- Rules suspended; reported with amendments.
- SB676 LaFleur PUBLIC BUILDINGS/GROUNDS
Designates the visitor center at the Louisiana State Arboretum as the J. D. "Prof" Lafleur Visitors Center. (8/15/08)
- Reported favorably.
- SB678 Adley FUNDS/FUNDING
Deposits motor vehicle and state sales tax paid by a person on a mobile or manufactured home provided by FEMA to Louisiana citizens and used or intended for use solely as residential housing into the FEMA Mobile Home Reimbursement Fund to be used solely for refunds of such amounts to such persons. (gov sig)
- Rules suspended; reported with amendments.
- SB690 Long ANIMALS
Requires impoundment of dogs with no collar identifying the owner or other form of identification. (8/15/08)
- Introduced in the Senate; read by title. Rules suspended. Read second time and referred to the committee on Judiciary A.
- SB691 Long ETHICS
Provides laws intended to deter candidates and their supporters from filing false or frivolous complaints with governmental entities that have investigative authority, and to deter using such complaints or investigative information to gain an advantage against an opponent by imposing criminal penalties. (8/15/08)
- Introduced in the Senate; read by title. Rules suspended. Read second time and referred to the committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.
- SB692 Chaisson LEVEES
Provides for West Bank hurricane protection projects within the jurisdiction of the Southeast Flood Protection Authority-West Bank and levee districts under its jurisdiction. (gov sig)
- Introduced in the Senate; read by title. Rules suspended. Read second time and referred to the committee on Natural Resources.

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SCR10	McPherson	HUNTERS/HUNTING	Requests the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to consider waiving the WMA hunting permit for small game hunters during the first nine days of the regular squirrel season. - Reported with amendments.
SCR26	Jackson, L.	COMMENDATIONS	Commends Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, on their centennial anniversary celebration. - Received from the House without amendments.
SCR28	Broome	LEGIS POWERS/FUNCTIONS	Proclaims April 16, 2008, as Junior League of Louisiana Day. - Received from the House without amendments.
SCR29	Broome	LEGIS POWERS/FUNCTIONS	Designates May 12, 2008, as "Obesity Awareness Day" at the legislature. - Introduced in the Senate. Read by title, rules suspended, adopted by the vote of 25 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
SCR30	Duplessis	BESE	Requests BESE to study and determine the feasibility of incorporating school leadership accountability factors into the computation of School Performance Scores. - Rules suspended; introduced in the Senate. Read by title. Rules suspended; adopted by the vote of 27 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
SCR31	Nevers	COMMENDATIONS	Commends Dr. James Stafford for his many years of distinguished service to Louisiana's educational system. - Rules suspended; introduced in the Senate. Read by title. Rules suspended; adopted by the vote of 28 yeas and 0 nays and ordered to the House.
SR13	Smith, John	COMMENDATIONS	Recognizes DeRidder, Louisiana, as a site for the "Moving Wall." - Rules suspended; introduced in the Senate. Read by title, rules suspended, adopted.
HB27	Johnson	COURTS/MAYORS	Authorizes the appointment of a court magistrate for the mayor's court in the town of Evergreen - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
HB32	Richmond	MORTGAGES	Provides relative to the filling of a vacancy in the office of recorder of mortgages in Orleans Parish - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.
HB38	Harrison	ASSESSORS	Provides for the payment of certain insurance premium costs for certain retired assessors and assessors' employees in Assumption Parish - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.
HB69	Richmond	COURTS	Requires a court to submit its request to the Judicial Council for review and recommendation when a court is requesting splitting of a court or the merging of a court - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the

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Committee on Judiciary A.

- HB93 St. Germain LAW ENFORCE/OFFICERS
Amends provisions regarding rights of law enforcement officers under investigation
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.
- HB100 Richmond SEIZURES/SALES
Authorizes sheriff's sales at certain courthouse annexes
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB116 Jones, Rosalind COURTS/DISTRICT
Authorizes the 4th JDC to provide that one division of the court shall be a DUI court
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB126 Baldone CRIMINAL/VICTIMS
Provides with respect to providing crime victims with recent photographs of inmates
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.
- HB129 Monica COURTS/JUSTICE OF PEACE
Increases the civil jurisdictional amount of justice of the peace courts
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB130 Jones, Rosalind COURTS
Authorizes the 4th JDC to provide that one division of the court shall be a mental health court
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB136 Henry CLERKS OF COURT
Provides relative to the destruction of useless records
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB143 Cromer COURTS/CITY
Provides for the civil jurisdictional amount in the City Court of Slidell, small claims division
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB144 Cromer COURTS/CITY
Provides for the qualification for office for the City Court of Slidell
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB354 Perry ASSESSORS
Provides for the payment of certain insurance premium costs for certain retired assessors and assessors' employees in certain parishes
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs.
- HB422 Greene TAX/INHERITANCE TAX

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- Repeals obsolete provisions of the state inheritance tax
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.
- HB497 Edwards CLERKS OF COURT
Provides for the expenditure of the Internet access fee for the clerk of the 21st JDC
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB505 Wooton RETIREMENT/PUBLIC SYSTEM
Authorizes probation and parole officers to purchase their firearms upon retirement
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.
- HB527 Burns, Tim CIVIL/DONATIONS
Provides for the continuous revision of the law regarding donations
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB530 Richmond COURTS/JUVENILE
Provides for the term of office for a judge with the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court in case of vacancy
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB840 Hutter MTR VEHICLE/COMMERCIAL
Provides for the definition of felony
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.
- HB1116 Ellington APPROPRIATIONS/SUPPLEML
Appropriates funds for boll weevil eradication
- Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Finance.
- HCR6 Foil CIVIL/APPEALS
Requests the Louisiana State Law Institute to study the order of appeal procedure
- Signed by the President of the Senate.
- HCR9 Peterson ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Urges and requests the Department of Economic Development to annually review and report on the effectiveness of certain tax exemptions and tax credits
- Signed by the President of the Senate.
- HCR33 Barrow VOTERS/VOTING
Requests the secretary of state's voter outreach division to strengthen its efforts relative to voter education and promoting and facilitating voter registration throughout the state
- 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.
- HCR43 Smith, Patricia COMMENDATIONS
Commends the LSU Lady Tigers basketball team upon advancing to its fifth consecutive NCAA Final Four and congratulates the players and coaches upon the completion of the 2007-2008 season
- Signed by the President of the Senate.

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HCR46	Morrell	COMMENDATIONS	Commends Franklin Avenue Baptist Church in New Orleans upon its reopening in April of 2008 - Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR47	Badon, Bobby	COMMENDATIONS	Commends Carroll Guilbeau upon his retirement after 60 years of work in public service and public safety in Lafayette Parish - Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR48	Marchand	COMMENDATIONS	Commends AKA on its 100th anniversary - Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR49	Ritchie	COMMENDATIONS	Commends La. 4-H on its centennial celebration - Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR51	Harrison	HEALTH	Memorializes the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to enforce testing of all imported seafood for compliance with federal regulations - Signed by the President of the Senate.
HCR52	Downs	MOTOR VEHICLES	Memorializes Congress to take certain actions relative to noise standards for motor vehicles to assist blind persons in being aware of such vehicles - Received in the Senate. Rules suspended. Read first and second time by title and referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.
HCR53	Simon	SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH	Recognizes the month of September 2008 as Parent Teacher Association Month in Louisiana - 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.
HCR54	Baldone	COMMENDATIONS	Commends Don Gomez of Houma for a distinguished career in the fine art of wood sculpting - 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.
HCR55	Williams	SPECIAL DAY/WEEK/MONTH	Recognizes March as Childhood Illness Awareness Month and encourages parents to set aside March 20-31 for children's annual examinations, ensuring current immunizations, and screening for childhood illnesses - 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.