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**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

2021 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Representative Magee to Engrossed House Bill No. 351 by Representative Pierre

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, at the beginning of line 2, after "To" delete "enact R.S. 49:155.7" and insert  
3 "amend and reenact R.S. 49:155(A) and (B)"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 5, after "Section 1." delete "R.S. 49:155.7 is hereby enacted" and insert "R.S.  
6 49:155(A) and (B) are hereby amended and reenacted"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, line 6, change "§155.7. State song" to "§155. State song"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 4

10 On page 1, delete lines 7 through 20 in their entirety, and insert the following:

11 ~~"A. The official state song for the State of Louisiana shall be a musical~~  
12 ~~composition, with words and music by Doralice Fontane, entitled: "Give Me~~  
13 ~~Louisiana"; the words and music<sup>+</sup> reading as follows:~~  
14 ~~Give me Louisiana;~~  
15 ~~The state where I was born~~  
16 ~~The state of snowy cotton;~~  
17 ~~The best I've ever known;~~  
18 ~~A state of sweet magnolias~~  
19 ~~And creole melodies~~  
20 ~~Oh give me Louisiana;~~  
21 ~~The state where I was born~~  
22 ~~Oh what sweet old memories~~  
23 ~~The mossy old oaks bring~~  
24 ~~It brings us the story of our Evangeline~~  
25 ~~A state of old tradition;~~  
26 ~~Of old plantation days~~  
27 ~~Makes good old Louisiana~~  
28 ~~The sweetest of all states.~~  
29 ~~Give me Louisiana;~~  
30 ~~A state prepared to share~~  
31 ~~That good old southern custom;~~  
32 ~~Hospitality so rare;~~  
33 ~~A state of fruit and flowers;~~  
34 ~~Of sunshine and spring showers~~  
35 ~~Oh give me Louisiana;~~  
36 ~~The state where I was born~~  
37 ~~Its woodlands, Its marshes~~  
38 ~~Where humble trappers live~~

CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.

1        ~~Its rivers, Its valleys,~~  
 2        ~~A place to always give~~  
 3        ~~A state where work is pleasure,~~  
 4        ~~With blessings in full measure~~  
 5        ~~Makes good old Louisiana~~  
 6        ~~The dearest of all states.~~  
 7        ~~Give me Louisiana,~~  
 8        ~~Where love birds always sing~~  
 9        ~~In shady lanes or pastures,~~  
 10       ~~The cowbells softly ring;~~  
 11       ~~The softness of the sunset~~  
 12       ~~Brings peace and blissful rest~~  
 13       ~~Oh give me Louisiana,~~  
 14       ~~The state where I was born~~  
 15       ~~The smell of sweet clover~~  
 16       ~~Which blossoms ev'rywhere~~  
 17       ~~The fresh new mown hay~~  
 18       ~~Where children romp and play~~  
 19       ~~A state of love and laughter,~~  
 20       ~~A state for all here after~~  
 21       ~~Makes good old Louisiana~~  
 22       ~~The grandest of all states.~~

23            B. A. The official state song for the state of Louisiana shall ~~also~~ be the  
 24       musical composition with words and music by Jimmy H. Davis and Charles  
 25       Mitchell, entitled "You Are My Sunshine"; the words reading as follows:

26            Verses:  
 27            The other night, dear  
 28       As I lay sleeping  
 29       I dreamed I held you in my arms  
 30       When I awoke, dear  
 31       I was mistaken  
 32       And I hung my head and cried;  
 33       I'll always love you  
 34       And make you happy  
 35       If you will only say the same  
 36       But if you leave me  
 37       To love another  
 38       You'll regret it all some day;  
 39       You told me once, dear  
 40       You really loved me  
 41       And no one else could come between  
 42       But now you've left me  
 43       And love another  
 44       You have shattered all my dreams;  
 45       Louisiana my Louisiana  
 46       the place where I was borne.  
 47       White fields of cotton  
 48       --green fields of clover,  
 49       the best fishing  
 50       and long tall corn;  
 51       Crawfish gumbo and jambalaya  
 52       the biggest shrimp and sugar cane,  
 53       the finest oysters  
 54       and sweet strawberries  
 55       from Toledo Bend to New Orleans;

56            Chorus:  
 57       YOU ARE MY SUNSHINE  
 58       My only sunshine  
 59       You make me happy

1           When skies are grey  
2           You'll never know dear  
3           How much I love you  
4           Please don't take my sunshine away.  
5           B. The official state cultural song for the state of Louisiana shall be the  
6           musical composition with words and music by Allen Toussaint, entitled "Southern  
7           Nights", which was inspired by Allen Toussaint's time spent in Terrebonne Parish;  
8           the words reading as follows:  
9           Southern nights  
10          Have you ever felt a Southern night?  
11          Free as a breeze  
12          Not to mention the trees  
13          Whistling tunes that you know and love so  
14          Southern nights  
15          Just as good even when closed your eyes  
16          I apologize  
17          To any one who can truly say  
18          That he's found a better way  
19          Southern skies  
20          Have you ever noticed southern skies?  
21          It's precious beauty  
22          Lies just beyond the eye  
23          It goes running through the soul  
24          Like the stories told of old  
25          Old man  
26          He and his dog that walk the old land  
27          Every flower touched his cold hand  
28          As he slowly walked by  
29          Weeping willows would cry for joy  
30          Joy  
31          Feels so good  
32          Feels so good it's frightening  
33          Wish I could  
34          Stop this world from fighting  
35          La-da-da-da-da, da-la-da-da-da-da  
36          Da-da-da-da-da-da, da-da-da, da-da-da  
37          Mystery  
38          Like this and many others  
39          In the trees  
40          Blow in the night  
41          In the southern skies  
42          Southern nights  
43          They feel so good it's frightening  
44          Wish I could  
45          Stop this world from fighting  
46          Da-da-da-da-da, da-da-da-da-da-da  
47          Da-da-da-da-da-da, la-da-da, da-da-da-da, da-da-da-da-da-da..."

48          AMENDMENT NO. 5

49          Delete page 2 in its entirety