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House of Representatives

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June 24, 2019

Honorable Taylor F. Barras Speaker of the House Louisiana House of Representatives Post Office Box 94062 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9062

RE: Veto of House Bill 459 of the 2019 Regular Session

Dear Speaker Barras:

Please be advised that I have vetoed House Bill 459 of the 2019 Regular Session.

I am supportive of this legislation, and I firmly believe that the will of the voters of Louisiana who overwhelmingly approved of fantasy sports contests in the November 2018 election should be respected. Unfortunately, I am required to veto this bill because it will not become effective even if I were to sign it. House Bill 459 was expressly tied to the passage of House Bill 600, which did not finally pass.

Sincerely.

John Bel Edwards

Governor

cc:

Honorable John Alario Louisiana Senate President