

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

**HB 566****2015 Regular Session****Fannin**

June 11, 2015

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 566 by Representative Fannin, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. That Senate Committee Amendments Nos. 1 through 12 proposed by the Senate Committee on Finance and adopted by the Senate on June 5, 2015, be adopted.
2. That Senate Floor Amendments Nos. 1 through 3 of the set of Senate Floor Amendments designated as SFBN HB566 GUILLOTJ 3619 proposed by Senator Donahue and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, be adopted.
3. That Senate Floor Amendments Nos. 1 through 15 and 17 through 19 of the set of Senate Floor Amendments designated as SFA HB566 HESSM 3677 proposed by Senator Donahue and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, be adopted.
4. That Senate Floor Amendment No. 16 of the set of Senate Floor Amendments designated as SFA HB566 HESSM 3677 proposed by Senator Donahue and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, be rejected.
5. That the following amendments to the Engrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 8 of the set of Senate Floor Amendments designated as SFA HB566 HESSM 3677 proposed by Senator Donahue and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, on page 1, at the end of line 34, delete "Fund." and insert the following:

"Fund.

Section 15. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the state treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the following amounts into the state general fund from the funds specified below:

- (1) Seventeen Million Dollars from the Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund.
- (2) Four Million Dollars from the Louisiana Fire Marshal Fund.
- (3) Two Million Dollars from the Environmental Trust Fund.
- (4) Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars from the Hazardous Waste Site Cleanup Fund.
- (5) Three Million Dollars from the Insurance Verification System Fund.

Section 16. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the state treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars from the Department of Justice Legal Support Fund to the New Orleans Public Safety Fund." and insert the following:

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 18 of the set of Senate Floor Amendments designated as SFA HB566 HESSM 3677 proposed by Senator Donahue and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, on page 2, line 38, after "and 9"" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 39 and insert "to "Section 17. Sections 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 17, and 18""

AMENDMENT NO. 3

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 19 of the set of Senate Floor Amendments designated as SFA HB566 HESSM 3677 proposed by Senator Donahue and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, on page 3, line 2, change ""Section 16." to ""Section 18."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 19 of the set of Senate Floor Amendments designated as SFA HB566 HESSM 3677 proposed by Senator Donahue and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, on page 3, line 3, change "and 14"" to "14, 15, and 16""

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, at the beginning of line 12, delete "Section 6." and insert "Section 8.(A)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

"(B) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Louisiana Lottery Corporation or its successor is hereby authorized and directed to deposit into the state treasury unclaimed prize money of Twenty Million Dollars. The state treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the funds to the Lottery Proceeds Fund."

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative James R. Fannin

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Senator Jack Donahue

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Representative Chuck Kleckley

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Senator John A. Alario, Jr.

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Senator Gregory Tarver

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 DIGEST

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**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST**
**HB 566****2015 Regular Session****Fannin**
**Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House**

FUNDS/FUNDING: Provides for the transfer and deposit on monies among state funds

**Report adopts Senate amendments to:**

1. Establish the Sickle Cell Fund.
2. Transfer funds from the Motor Carrier Regulation Fund and the Telephonic Solicitation Relief Fund to the Utility and Carrier Inspection and Supervision Fund.
3. Transfer monies to the state general fund from the Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund, the Louisiana Fire Marshal Fund, and the Video Draw Poker Device Fund.
4. Change dedication of the Insurance Verification System Fund.
5. Add provisions related to the Debt Recovery Fund.
6. Transfer money from the state general fund to the Louisiana Emergency Response Network Fund.
7. Make technical changes.

**Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:**

1. Made technical change.

**Report amends the bill to:**

1. Transfer \$20 million from the Louisiana Lottery Corporation from unclaimed prize money to the Lottery Proceeds Fund.
2. Transfer \$28.5 million from various special treasury funds into the state general fund.
3. Transfers \$2.5 million out of the Department of Justice Legal Support Fund to the New Orleans Public Safety Fund.

**Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee**

Provides for the transfer and deposit of monies among state funds, including deposits into the Overcollections Fund, the Lottery Proceeds Fund, and the Budget Stabilization Fund.

**INSURANCE VERIFICATION SYSTEM FUND (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015)**

Present law provides for the uses of the Insurance Verification System Fund. Provides that \$42 million shall be dedicated to the office of state police prior to funding the sheriffs for housing of parolees pending revocation hearings and funding to DAs and Assistant DAs.

Proposed law changes the office of state police dedication to the lesser of the amount needed to fund the pay plan adopted by the State Police Commission, or \$42 million per year.

**NEW ORLEANS PUBLIC SAFETY FUND (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015)**

Proposed law establishes the New Orleans Public Safety Fund as a special treasury fund. The source of monies in the fund are federal funds, donations, gifts, or grants, and any money appropriated to the fund. Monies in the fund shall be appropriated to the office of state police for public safety services in the city of New Orleans in an area bound by the Mississippi River, Canal Street, North Rampart Street (both sides), and Esplanade Avenue (both sides).

Effective July 1, 2015, transfers \$2,500,000 from the Department of Justice Legal Support Fund to the New Orleans Public Safety Fund.

**SICKLE CELL FUND (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015)**

Proposed law establishes the Sickle Cell Fund as a special treasury fund. The source of monies in the fund are monies appropriated to the fund, including donations, gifts, grants, or other monies. Monies in the fund shall be appropriated solely to pay expenses associated with the Sickle Cell Program.

**DEBT RECOVERY FUND (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015)**

Proposed law provides for the allocation of monies deposited into the Debt Recovery Fund if HB No. 638 of the 2015 RS is enacted and becomes effective. HB No. 638 provides for the deposit of certain funds collected from the office of motor vehicles into the Debt Recovery Fund, with \$25 million utilized for the office of state police. Proposed law provides that, of the funds deposited into the Debt Recovery Fund from the office of motor vehicles, up to \$11 million shall be appropriated to the office of state police to fund the state police pay grid and \$42 million shall be appropriated to the Dept. of Transportation and Development for bridge repairs.

**RAPID RESPONSE FUND (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015)**

Present law directs the treasurer to deposit into the Rapid Response Fund sufficient funds to bring the unencumbered balance of the fund to \$10 million.

Proposed law deletes the reference in present law to the unencumbered fund balance, requiring the treasurer to annually deposit at least \$10 million into the fund.

**OVERCOLLECTIONS FUND (EFFECTIVE ON GOV'S SIGNATURE)**

Transfers the unrestricted and unencumbered fund balance of the Telephone Company Property Assessment Relief Fund remaining at the end of FY 2014-2015 into the Overcollections Fund.

Transfers the following into the Overcollections Fund:

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Source</b>
\$25,576,380	Insurance Verification System Fund
\$11,874,770	Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund
\$ 3,540,000	Employment Security Administration Account of the Employment Security Administration Fund
\$ 4,200,000	Penalty and Interest Account of the Employment Security Administration Fund
\$12,000,000	Self-Insurance Fund
\$11,100,000	La. Dept. of Revenue
\$ 500,000	La. Office Building Corp.
\$ 2,300,000	La. Public Facilities Authority

**LOTTERY PROCEEDS FUND (EFFECTIVE ON GOV'S SIGNATURE)**

Transfers \$5,900,000 from the Louisiana Lottery Corp. to the Lottery Proceeds Fund.

Transfers \$20,000,000 from the Louisiana Lottery Corp. from unclaimed prize money to the Lottery Proceeds Fund.

**BUDGET STABILIZATION FUND (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015)**

Transfers \$44,627,892 of nonrecurring revenues out of the state general fund from the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 surplus, as recognized by the Revenue Estimating Conference, to the Budget Stabilization Fund.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE FUNDS (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015)**

Transfers \$350,000 from the Motor Carrier Regulation Fund and \$75,000 from the Telephonic Solicitation Relief Fund to the Utility and Carrier Inspection and Supervision Fund.

**STATE GENERAL FUND**

Effective July 1, 2015, transfers \$1,800,000 from the Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund to the state general fund in the event House Bill No. 448 is enacted into law.

Effective upon signature of the governor, transfers \$2,500,000 from the Louisiana Fire Marshal Fund and \$3,500,000 from the Video Draw Poker Device Fund into the state general fund.

Effective July 1, 2015, transfers \$200,000 from the state general fund to the Louisiana Emergency Response Network Fund.

Effective July 1, 2015, transfers the following into the state general fund:

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Source</b>
\$17,000,000	Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund
\$ 4,000,000	La. Fire Marshal Fund
\$ 2,000,000	Environmental Trust Fund
\$ 2,500,000	Hazardous Waste Site Cleanup Fund
\$ 3,000,000	Insurance Verification System Fund

(Amends R.S. 32:868(B)(2)(b) and R.S. 51:2361(A)(2); Adds R.S. 39:100.123, R.S. 40:1402, and R.S. 47:1676(E)(3))