

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

HB 3**2017 First Extraordinary Session****Henry**

February 22, 2017

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. 3 by Representative Henry, recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator LaFleur (#63) be adopted.
2. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Claitor (#73) be adopted.
3. That Senate Floor Amendments Nos. 1 through 12, 14, 15, and 17 through 23 by Senator LaFleur (#70) be adopted.
4. That Senate Floor Amendments Nos. 13, 16, and 24 by Senator LaFleur (#70) be rejected.
5. That the following amendments to the Reengrossed Bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 by Senator LaFleur (#70), on page 1, line 4, change "\$120,336,181" to "\$117,266,064"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

In Senate Floor Amendment No. 21 by Senator LaFleur (#70), on page 2, line 30, change "\$10,000,000." to "\$11,900,000."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 22, change "\$657,315" to "\$607,315"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 23, change "\$1,478,282" to "\$1,378,282"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 24, change "\$430,787" to "\$380,787"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 28, change "\$856,368" to "\$806,368"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, line 29, change "\$403,334" to "\$353,334"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 32, change "\$720,729" to "\$670,729"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 36, change "\$371,261" to "\$321,261"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, line 37, change "\$852,656" to "\$802,656"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 2, line 38, change "\$511,427" to "\$461,427"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 10, line 1, delete "Speaker of the House of Representatives" and insert "Legislative Budgetary Control Council"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 10, line 3, after "Louisiana Legislature" delete the remainder of the line and on line 4, delete "the House of Representatives"

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Cameron Henry

Senator Eric LaFleur

Representative Patricia Haynes Smith

Senator John A. Alario, Jr.

Representative Taylor F. Barras

Senator Gregory Tarver

DIGEST

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APPROPRIATIONS/SUPPLEML: Supplemental appropriations and reductions in appropriations for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 (Item #1)

Report adopts Senate amendments to:

1. Reduce the decrease in State General Fund (Direct) by \$23,718,794.
2. Decrease the amount from Interagency Transfers to be transferred to the State General Fund (Direct) by \$400,000.
3. Decrease the amount from Statutory Dedications to be transferred to the State General Fund (Direct) by \$575,001.
4. Increase the amount from Fees and Self-generated Revenues to be transferred to the State General Fund (Direct) by (\$200,000).
5. Decrease the appropriations out of Fees and Self-generated Revenues by (\$750,000).
6. Decrease the amount of reductions from vacancies, excluding higher education, from \$17.2 million to \$10 million and further provide for such reductions out of Fees and Self-generated Revenues and Statutory Dedications. Additionally direct the commissioner of administration to reduce appropriations if savings cannot be realized from vacancies.

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Reduced appropriations out of the Marketing Fund and the Artificial Reef Development Fund.
2. Directed the attorney general to transfer \$2,000,000 from the Attorney General Consumer Support Escrow Account to the state treasurer for deposit into the state general fund.

Report amends the bill to:

1. Decrease the reduction for the Medical Vendor Payments Program.
2. Decrease the reductions to certain human services authorities and districts.
3. Increase the reduction from vacancies.
4. Changes the reduction from the House of Representatives to the Legislature.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Increase (decrease) appropriations for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 as follows:

State General Fund (Direct) by (\$149,079,062).

Statutory Dedications by (\$12,642,077) to be transferred to the State General Fund (Direct).

Fees and Self-generated Revenues by (\$10,828,575) to be transferred to the State General Fund (Direct).

Directs the commissioner of administration to reduce the appropriations contained in Act 17 of the 2016 R.S. out of the State General Fund (Direct), Fees and Self-generated Revenues and Statutory Dedications by (\$11,900,000) for vacancies in state government excluding higher education. Additionally, if such savings cannot be realized from vacancies, the commissioner of administration is authorized and directed to reduce appropriations.

Directs the legislative auditor to remit \$2,000,000 from the Legislative Auditor Ancillary Fund to be transferred to the state general fund.

Additional increase (decrease) in appropriations for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 as follows:

Statutory Dedications by \$58,272,501; Fees and Self-generated Revenues by \$39,375,272; Interagency Transfers by \$1,585,468; and Federal Funds by (\$22,210,104).

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.