

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

HB 218

2019 Regular Session

Marcelle

June 5, 2019

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. 218 by Representative Marcelle, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Claitor (#3270) be rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative C. Denise Marcelle

Senator Gary L. Smith, Jr.

Representative Katrina Jackson

Senator Yvonne Colomb

Representative Jack McFarland

Senator Dan Claitor

DIGEST

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Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

COURTS/CITY: Provides relative to Baton Rouge City Court probation officers

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Allow the deferral of court costs in the 19th JDC only for the state and its departments.
2. When deferring court costs in the 19th JDC, require the state and its departments to deposit an advance filing fee in the amount of \$200.
3. Allow the clerk of court to forward a certified copy of the judgment to the office of debt recovery if the assessed court cost is not paid within 30 days of the judgment becoming final. Further allow the office of debt recovery to collect outstanding court costs on behalf of the clerk of court.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Proposed law authorizes the clerk of court and judicial administrator of Baton Rouge City Court to commission Baton Rouge City Court probation officers. Provides that Baton Rouge City Court Probation Division shall be recognized as a law enforcement agency. Requires probation officers to be P.O.S.T.-certified. Additionally, proposed law provides that the probation officers shall have certain powers and authority in and out of the courtroom including the authority to arrest.

(Adds R.S. 13:2071.1)