

**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to Re-Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 237 by Senator Barrow

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 Delete House Amendment Nos. 33, 34, and 35 by the House Committee on Health and  
3 Welfare (#5949)

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 In Amendment No. 32 by the House Committee on Health and Welfare (#5949), on page 4,  
6 at the beginning of line 16, delete "Section 1" and insert "Section 5"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1 at the beginning of line 9, insert "R.S. 49:191(1)(h) and"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 4

10 On page 2, delete line 1 in its entirety and insert the following:

11 "custody orders; to provide for the re-creation of the Department of Children and  
12 Family Services and the statutory entities made a part of the department by law; to provide  
13 for the effective termination date for all statutory authority for the existence of such statutory  
14 entities; to provide for implementation; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for  
15 related"

16 AMENDMENT NO. 5

17 On page 23, delete lines 18 through 20 in their entirety, and insert the following:

18 "Section 9. R.S. 49:191(1)(h) is hereby repealed.

19 Section 10. Children's Code Articles 509 and 610(I) are hereby repealed.

20 Section 11. This Section and Sections 5 through 9 of this Act shall become effective  
21 on June 30, 2026; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature,  
22 this Section and Sections 5 through 9 of this Act shall become effective on June 30, 2026,  
23 or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

24 Section 12. (A) The provisions of Sections 1 through 4 and 10 of this Act shall  
25 become effective when an Act of the Louisiana Legislature containing a specific  
26 appropriation of monies for the implementation of the provisions of this Act becomes  
27 effective.

28 (B) The provisions of this Section shall become effective upon signature by the  
29 governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become  
30 law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the  
31 Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the  
32 legislature, the provisions of this Section shall become effective on the day following such  
33 approval."