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**Fifty-Second Regular Session of the Legislature
Under the Adoption of the
Constitution of 1974**

Senate Chamber
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Thursday, May 7, 2026

The Senate was called to order at 9:58 o'clock A.M. by Hon. J. Cameron Henry, Jr., President of the Senate.

Morning Hour

CONVENING ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mr. President	Fesi	McMath
Abraham	Foil	Mizell
Barrow	Hensgens	Morris
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Seabaugh
Cloud	Kleinpeter	Stine
Duplessis	Lambert	Talbot
Edmonds	Luneau	Wheat
Total - 27		

ABSENT

Allain	Harris	Owen
Carter	Miguez	Reese
Cathey	Miller	Selders
Connick	Myers	Womack
Total - 12		

The President of the Senate announced there were 27 Senators present and a quorum.

Prayer

The prayer was offered by Pastor Jason Selman, following which the Senate joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Senator Foil, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journal of May 6, 2026, was adopted.

**Privileged Report of the
Legislative Bureau**

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To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Legislative Bureau to submit the following report:

The following instruments are approved as to construction and duplication. We advise and suggest the following amendments:

HOUSE BILL NO. 17—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:1581(11), 1631(F)(1) and (2)(introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S. 11:1631(F)(2)(d), relative to the District Attorneys' Retirement System; to provide relative to benefits of reemployed retirees; to require certain information to be reported to the retirement system; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 21—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GLORIOSO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:1735(A), 1759(D), 1782(1), 1788(A), and 1802(1) and to enact R.S. 11:1732(13)(c) and (14)(a)(xiv), relative to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana; to provide for employer participation; to provide relative to certain exemptions; to provide relative to accumulated contributions; to provide relative to membership in the system; to provide relative to computation of normal retirement allowances; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to benefits of part-time reemployed retirees; to provide relative to service credit; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 51—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article I, Section 18(C) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the right to bail; to prohibit bail for offenders who have been convicted of certain offenses; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 55—

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(39) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 794.1, relative to juror information; to prohibit the disclosure of juror information; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for prospective application; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 74—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ECHOLS, ADAMS, BOUDREAU, BOYER,
COX, FONTENOT, HORTON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, MOORE, VILLIO, AND
WILEY

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 24-D of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:2529.1 through 2529.4, relative to missing children with autism spectrum disorder; to create a Spectrum Alert program; to develop autism response training for law enforcement officers; to provide for administration of the Spectrum Alert program; to provide for immunity; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 106—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:91.16, relative to the administration of melatonin; to prohibit individuals from providing melatonin without parental approval; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 108—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX
AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 401(A)(6), relative to juror qualifications; to prohibit persons convicted of violent

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crimes and sex crimes from serving as a juror; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

LEGISLATIVE BUREAU AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Legislative Bureau to Engrossed House Bill No. 108 by Representative Cox

AMENDMENT NO. 1

In Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 proposed by the Senate Committee on Judiciary C and adopted by the Senate on May 6, 2026, on page 1, line 2, change "line 1" to "line 2"

HOUSE BILL NO. 133—

BY REPRESENTATIVE NEWELL AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:34(B) and (C)(introductory paragraph), 34.1(B)(introductory paragraph) and (C), 34.3(A), (B)(introductory paragraph), and (C), and Children's Code Article 897.1(D) through (G) and to enact R.S. 14:34(C)(3) and (4), 34.1(B)(3) and (4), and 34.3(B)(4) and Children's Code Article 897.1(H), relative to assault and battery; to provide relative to penalties for the crimes of second degree battery and aggravated battery; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to the crime of battery of a school teacher; to provide for penalties; to provide for the disposition of certain offenders; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 140—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Articles 813(C), 815.1(D), 843, and 877, to enact Children's Code Articles 804(10) and 877.1, and to repeal Children's Code Article 815.1(E), relative to juvenile delinquency proceedings; to provide relative to the taking of a child into custody; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to juvenile detention; to provide for time limitations relative to juvenile delinquency proceedings; to provide relative to the suspension and expiration of time limitations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 159—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:571.35.2, relative to incarceration; to authorize the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office to establish a pilot program utilizing home incarceration and electronic monitoring; to provide criteria for eligibility for participation in such program; to require the development of rules and regulations for the development, implementation, and administration of such program; to provide for applicability; to require the inclusion of certain conditions within the rules and regulations; to provide for a limitation of liability; to require an evaluation of the program and a report regarding the program to be provided to certain legislative committees; to provide for termination of the program; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

LEGISLATIVE BUREAU AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Legislative Bureau to Reengrossed House Bill No. 159 by Representative Jackson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, line 13, change "(a)" to "(1)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, line 14, change "(b)" to "(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, line 15, change "(c)" to "(3)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, line 16, change "(d)" to "(4)"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, line 17, change "(e)" to "(5)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 5, line 22, change "30" to "thirty"

HOUSE BILL NO. 168—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FREIBERG, CHENEVERT, AND KNOX AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:574.23 and to repeal R.S. 15:828.4, relative to parole; to establish the transitional reentry program for female parolees; to provide for administration of the program; to provide for eligibility criteria; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 215—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ROBBY CARTER AND TAYLOR AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 3421(1), relative to small successions; to increase the threshold for property values relative to small successions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 226—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ROBBY CARTER AND TAYLOR AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 1467(A) and to enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 1467(C), relative to requests for admissions; to provide that a Rule 10.1 Conference in accordance with certain district court rules be held before a request is deemed admitted; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 263—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:589(E), relative to the magistrate judge of the Fourteenth Judicial District Court; to authorize the magistrate judge to preside over specialty court programs; to define relative to specialty court; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 296—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KNOX AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5401(B)(1)(g), R.S. 15:827(A)(introductory paragraph) and (9)(a), 828(D), and 1113(A), R.S. 36:409(A), and R.S. 47:287.750(A) and (B)(introductory paragraph), (2), and (4) and to repeal R.S. 13:5401(B)(1)(a) and Part XVIII of Title 15 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 15:1199.1 through 1199.16, relative to inmate workforce development; to repeal the Reentry Advisory Council and Offender Rehabilitation Workforce Development Act and all related cross-references, requirements, or criteria associated with participation in the workforce development program or the advisory council; to provide for technical corrections; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 299—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(3)(introductory paragraph) and to enact Code of Civil Procedure Article 253(B)(3)(e), relative to documents filed in court; to provide for the filing of a jury bond in person, by United States mail, or by commercial courier; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 322—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.12.1(F) and to enact R.S. 15:574.12.1(G), relative to records of testimony provided at certain hearings of the Board of Pardons and committee on parole; to prohibit the assessment of certain fees and costs; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 364—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1381.1, relative to public service announcements; to provide notice to the public regarding the discharge of weapons in public; to provide for public messaging by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections; to provide for dissemination of public awareness activities; to provide for collaboration with the Louisiana Department of Health and municipal police departments; to provide for rulemaking; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 519—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MIKE JOHNSON
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:4165(G), relative to the appointment of a special master; to provide for the application of the code of judicial conduct to special masters; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 535—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHENEVERT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:46.12(E), relative to hospital-based paternity programs; to provide relative to a voluntary acknowledgment of paternity; to provide relative to the formality of a voluntary acknowledgment; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 538—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREIBERG
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:1631, relative to the judicial expense fund for the Juvenile Court of East Baton Rouge Parish; to modify relative to the chief judge and all judges of the court; to establish functions of the collective judges; to authorize the clerk of court to collect certain additional costs in civil and criminal nonsupport proceedings; to provide for the control, expenditure, and audit of monies in the judicial expense fund; to increase the civil filing fee; to prohibit payment of salaries from the judicial expense fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 568—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:981.3(D) and to enact R.S. 40:981.3(A)(4) and (E), relative to violations of drug free school zones; to provide for enhanced penalties for certain violations; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 571—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:842.4(Section heading) and to repeal R.S. 13:842.4(D), relative to the establishment of the Complex Litigation Section Program in the Nineteenth Judicial District Court; to provide for the permanent creation of the program; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 622—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1203.4(B) and (C) and to enact R.S. 40:1203.4(D) and (E), relative to criminal history records; to provide for confidentiality of criminal history records; to provide relative to the dissemination of criminal history records; to provide relative to duties of employers; to provide relative to compliance regarding applicable state law and federal regulations and policies; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 635—

BY REPRESENTATIVES HORTON AND EDMONSTON AND SENATOR HODGES
AN ACT

To enact Part IV-A of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 14:391 through 391.3, and R.S. 40:2405.10, relative to offenses affecting organized government; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for definitions; to provide for types of conduct that constitute criminal activity; to provide for penalties; to authorize certain training programs; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 676—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SPELL AND CHASSION
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:70.5.1, relative to misappropriation without violence; to create the crime of fraudulent patient referrals or "body brokering"; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 772—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MARTINEZ
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 329(A), 331(A)(1), 333, 335, and 336(A)(3) and R.S. 15:574.15(A)(1) and to repeal Code of Criminal Procedure Article 334, relative to bail; to provide relative to declaration of residence; to provide relative to notice of warrant for arrest; to provide relative to the failure of a defendant to appear; to provide relative to rule to show cause; to provide for technical revisions to remove defunct or incorrect cross-references; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 784—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:541(24)(a), (25)(b) through (o), 542(C)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (2), 542.1(A)(introductory paragraph) and (2)(a) and (c) and (d), and 543.1, to enact R.S. 15:541(25)(p) and (q), 542.1(A)(2)(e), and 542.1.2(A)(5), and to repeal R.S. 15:542.1(A)(1)(e), relative to sex offender registration and notification requirements; to provide relative to criminal offenses that constitute a sex offense and sexual offenses against a victim who is a minor; to provide relative to sex offender registration and notification requirements and procedures; provides relative to duties of offenders; provides for corresponding changes to the form that the courts use for written notification; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILFORD CARTER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 966(B)(introductory paragraph) and (C)(1)(introductory paragraph), relative to motions for summary judgment; to provide relative to the time delay for filing oppositions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1018—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 26:81.2 and 281.2, relative to limitation of the issuance of certain alcoholic beverage permits; to prohibit the issuance of alcoholic beverage permits in certain areas; to provide for a temporary moratorium; to provide for an effective date; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1033—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 14:61(B)(introductory paragraph) and (1)(a)(v) and R.S. 51:3052(introductory paragraph) and (2) and to enact R.S. 14:61(B)(1)(a)(viii) through (x), relative to critical infrastructure; to provide relative to the definition of critical infrastructure; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1034—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:329.9, relative to offenses affecting the public generally; to authorize the establishment of temporary protection zones; to provide for information to be disseminated regarding temporary protection zones; to provide relative to the duration of a temporary protective zone; to provide for penalties; to provide for a limitation; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1043—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2561.2(A) and 2562.2(A), relative to the jurisdictional amount for parish courts; to provide for a jurisdictional amount of thirty-five thousand dollars for the First and Second Parish Courts of Jefferson Parish; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1070—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 887(F)(1), relative to court costs assessed against a defendant; to provide for the duties of the administrator of the Trial Court Case Management Information Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1134—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:557.1, relative to the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System; to provide for the creation of a Back-Deferred Retirement Option Program for certain judges; to provide for qualification; to provide for duration of participation; to provide relative to employer and employee contributions; to provide for calculation of benefit; to provide relative to service credit; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1237— (Substitute for House Bill No. 49 by Representative Bacala)

BY REPRESENTATIVES BACALA AND FREEMAN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:157(C)(1), 2225.4(B), (C)(2), and (D), and 2262.1(A) and (B), to enact R.S. 11:2262.1(D)(3) and (4) and (E), and to repeal R.S. 11:2225.4(A)(2), relative to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System and the Firefighters' Retirement System; to provide relative to membership in the systems; to provide relative to partial dissolution of a police department or a fire department; to provide relative to the payment of unfunded accrued liability by employers; to provide for certain determinations; to provide for timing of payments; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to employer contributions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1239— (Substitute for House Bill No. 473 by Representative Green)

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:335(A)(2)(b), relative to child custody; to provide relative to the best interest of a child; to provide relative to equal custody; and to provide for related matters.

Reported without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
GREGORY A. MILLER
Chair

Adoption of Legislative Bureau Report

On motion of Senator Gregory A. Miller, the Legislative Bureau amendments were adopted and the Bills and Joint Resolutions were read by title and passed to a third reading.

Message from the House

PASSED SENATE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

May 6, 2026

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House of Representatives has finally passed the following Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions:

SENATE BILL NO. 122—
BY SENATOR FESI

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 48:21(A) and to enact R.S. 48:1(25) and 23.1, relative to the preservation of bridges by the Department of Transportation and Development; to provide for terms and definitions; to provide for functions and responsibilities of the department; to provide for reports to the legislature; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 180—
BY SENATOR FOIL

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 21(K)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to ad valorem tax exemptions; to provide relative to the ad valorem tax exemption for certain disabled veterans and their surviving spouses; to allow for the transfer of certain exemptions by a surviving spouse; to provide for limitations; to provide for effectiveness; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 260—
BY SENATORS EDMONDS, CARTER, JENKINS, LUNEAU, MILLER AND MIZELL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:2798(B)(1) and to enact R.S. 9:2798(D)(4) and R.S. 40:1087.2, relative to youth athletics; to provide for limitation of liability; to provide for definitions; to provide for an injury mitigation course; to provide for content of youth injury mitigation courses; to provide for posting of certain information on the internet; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 424—
BY SENATOR FOIL

AN ACT

To enact Code of Civil Procedure Art. 1313(E), relative to service of pleadings; to provide relative to service of certain pleadings by electronic means; to provide for counsel of record; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 476—
BY SENATOR PRESSLY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Arts. 2412 (A)(1) and 2413(B) and (C), relative to garnishments; to provide relative to service of notice upon the garnishee; to provide relative to notice of failure to answer interrogatories in certain circumstances; to provide relative to civil procedure and legal delays; to provide for certain notice requirements; to provide relative to effect of the garnishee's failure to answer; to provide relative to cost and attorney fees; to provide relative to the garnishee's failure to appear; to provide for burden of proof; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

SENATE BILL NO. 104—
BY SENATORS KLEINPETER, ABRAHAM, CARTER, CONNICK, PRICE AND WHEAT

AN ACT

To provide relative to state highways; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 1 in Pointe Coupee Parish as the "Ernest J. Gaines Memorial Highway"; to provide for location and placement of signage; to provide for restrictions on costs of materials to the department; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments.

Respectfully submitted,
MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House of Representatives

Message from the House

HOUSE CONFEREES APPOINTED

May 6, 2026

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Speaker of the House of Representatives has appointed the following members, on the part of the House of Representatives, to confer, with a like committee from the Senate, on the disagreement to **Senate Bill No. 149** by Senator Foil:

Representatives Bacala, Brass and Orgeron.

Respectfully submitted,
MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House of Representatives

**Introduction of
Senate Concurrent Resolutions**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 63—
BY SENATOR BASS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the legislative auditor to examine and evaluate the process of developing and preparing legislative fiscal notes and to submit a written report to the Legislature of Louisiana no later than February 1, 2027.

The resolution was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

**Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
on Second Reading**

**SENATE BILL NO. 525— (Substitute of Senate Bill No. 261 by
Senator Morris)**

BY SENATOR MORRIS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 9:167.1, relative to the purchase of unclaimed property; to provide for the purchase or assignment of unclaimed property; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements, prohibitions, and exceptions; to provide with respect to the powers and duties of the state treasurer; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

On motion of Senator Womack the bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

**Senate Resolutions on
Second Reading**

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 112—
BY SENATOR STINE

A RESOLUTION

To commend Chennault International Airport on the occasion of its 40th anniversary.

On motion of Senator Stine the resolution was read by title and adopted.

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Senate Resolutions on Second Reading, Subject to Call

Called from the Calendar

Senator Stine asked that Senate Resolution No. 109 be called from the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 109—

BY SENATOR STINE

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Monday, May 11, 2026, as Louisiana Arts Day in Louisiana.

On motion of Senator Stine the resolution was read by title and adopted.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 61—

BY SENATOR BARROW

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health and Louisiana commercial health insurance payors to increase reimbursement rates for behavioral health crisis centers operating under a crisis receiving center license.

The resolution was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 62—

BY SENATOR HODGES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to evaluate impediments to safety measures and speed limits in school zones on state highways.

The resolution was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

Message from the House

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

May 6, 2026

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the House of Representatives has finally passed and asks your concurrence in the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions:

HB No. 89 HB No. 451 HB No. 595

HB No. 617 HB No. 621 HB No. 730

HB No. 1064 HB No. 1125

Respectfully submitted, MICHELLE D. FONTENOT Clerk of the House of Representatives

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on First Reading

HOUSE BILL NO. 89—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 16:117 and 694, relative to the district attorney's office of the Third and Thirtieth Judicial Districts; to provide relative to group health insurance coverage for eligible retired

employees; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 451—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 26:98, 295, and 919(A), relative to notice of hearings by the office of alcohol and tobacco control of the Department of Revenue; to provide for the timeframe for notice of hearings; to provide for the method of notice of hearings; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 595—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACOB LANDRY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 30:4.4, relative to development of the state's natural resources; to prohibit local governing authorities from taking actions that impede the state's ability to develop natural resources, including local road permitting; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 617—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MANDIE LANDRY AND CHASSION

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 51:1429.1, relative to unfair or deceptive trade practices or acts; to provide for definitions; to require disclosure of fees in sale or lease of goods and services; to provide compliance by particular businesses; to provide for exemptions; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 621—

BY REPRESENTATIVES COATES AND CHASSION

AN ACT

To enact Part I of Chapter 12 of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 30:1121, relative to renewable energy; to require recycling of decommissioned renewable energy components or infrastructure; to require costs for recycling and decommissioning to be paid by the renewable energy provider; to provide for an effective date; to direct the Louisiana State Law Institute to redesignate certain provisions; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 730—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 2:135.1(A)(2) and (P) and to enact R.S. 2:135.1(Q), relative to the use of automatic dependent surveillance-broadcast (ADS-B) systems; to authorize airport authorities to adopt regulations, set charges and fees, enforce payment, fix penalties, and prohibit discrimination; to prohibit any entity from using certain data as a basis for calculating, generating, or collecting fees from aircraft owners or operators; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties for violations; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1064—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FREIBERG, CHASSION, FREEMAN, GREEN,
LAFLEUR, TERRY LANDRY, MARCELLE, AND WALTERS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:842.5, relative to establishing the Domestic Violence Intervention Court Pilot Program within the Nineteenth Judicial District Court; to provide for legislative findings and intent; to provide for the creation of a post-adjudication Domestic Violence Intervention Court within the Nineteenth Judicial District Court; to provide for eligibility criteria and participant requirements; to provide for services to victims; to require the use of a coordinated team by the court; to provide for data collection; to provide for reporting requirements; to provide for the sunset of the pilot program; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1125—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 42:808(B) and to enact R.S. 42:808(A)(12) and 851(W) and (X), relative to participation in insurance programs offered by the state's Office of Group Benefits; to authorize participation by employees and retirees of fire departments in certain circumstances; to provide for participation credit for those employees; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and placed on the Calendar for a second reading.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 175—

BY REPRESENTATIVES HEBERT, ADAMS, BILLINGS, BOUDREAUX,
BROUSSARD, COX, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EGAN,
FISHER, FONTENOT, CHANCE HENRY, HORTON, ILLG, JACOB
LANDRY, MACK, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, MILLER, SPELL, TAYLOR,
WALTERS, WILEY, AND WYBLE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:9031 and 9032, relative to the lottery; to create the Veterans Service Grant Board; to provide for the duties and functions of the board; to establish the Veterans Service Grant Fund; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use, as specified, of monies in the Veterans Service Grant Fund; to provide for disbursements to applicants; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Judiciary B.

HOUSE BILL NO. 276—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARPENTER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 313(A)(2), relative to bail; to provide relative to contradictory bail hearings; to provide for certain offenses that authorize the setting of a contradictory bail hearing; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Judiciary C.

HOUSE BILL NO. 437—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MELERINE AND BERALT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 1425(B) and to enact Code of Evidence Article 702(C) and (D), relative to expert witnesses; to provide relative to qualifying a witness as an expert; to provide for definitions; to provide for disclosure of pecuniary interest; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Judiciary A.

HOUSE BILL NO. 456—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHENEVERT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1311 and 1314(E)(1), relative to workers' compensation; to provide for a claim for benefits under workers' compensation; to provide for a petition for a workers' compensation claim; to provide for the contents of the petition; to allow the employer or payor to file a disputed claim under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 457—

BY REPRESENTATIVES KNOX, ADAMS, BERALT, CARPENTER,
CARRIER, CHASSION, DEWITT, EGAN, FREIBERG, LAFLEUR, AND
LYONS

AN ACT

To enact Part IV of Chapter 3 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:581, relative to housing standards for organizations providing services to individuals experiencing homelessness; to provide for duties of the Louisiana Department of Health; to provide for the duties of the office of the fire marshal; to provide for the promulgation of rules; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

HOUSE BILL NO. 459—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MANDIE LANDRY AND DOMANGUE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:1463(A), (F), and (G) and to enact R.S. 18:1463(H), relative to required disclosures in political materials and communications; to provide for disclosures related to the use of artificial intelligence to create the image or likeness of a candidate; to provide for criminal penalties; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 488—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:645(B)(2) and to enact R.S. 48:250.4.4, relative to special treasury funds; to establish the Belle Chasse Bridge Merit-Based Special Fund; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use, of monies in the Belle Chasse Bridge Merit-Based Special Fund; to provide for dedication of certain severance tax collections to the Belle Chasse Bridge Merit-Based Special Fund; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 579—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:1844(O)(1) and (W)(1)(a) and 1845(C)(2) and (D) and to enact R.S. 46:1844(W)(1)(d), relative to the Sexual Assault Survivor Bill of Rights; to provide relative to certain rights of a sexual assault survivor; to provide relative to the preservation of sexual assault collection kits; to provide for the confidentiality of certain information; to provide for exceptions; to provide for the right to be notified of the rights contained within the Sexual Assault Survivor Bill of Rights; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Judiciary B.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 656—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BRYANT, BAYHAM, BILLINGS, CARPENTER, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSION, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, DANA HENRY, TRAVIS JOHNSON, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, MOORE, MURRAY, NEWELL, TAYLOR, WALTERS, WILEY, AND YOUNG
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:830.4, relative programming for inmates; to provide for the establishment of a pilot program; to provide for programming topics; to provide for attendance and accessibility; to provide for duties of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections; to provide for rulemaking; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Judiciary B.

HOUSE BILL NO. 804—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GEYMANN
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 18 of Subtitle I of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 30:1601 through 1605, relative to claims for damages caused by climate change; to create the Louisiana Energy Protection Act; to provide for claims brought for climate change damages based on greenhouse gas emissions; to limit liability for climate change damages based on greenhouse gas emissions; to protect energy users, producers, and related industries from claims for climate change damages based on greenhouse gas emissions; to provide for severability; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Environmental Quality.

HOUSE BILL NO. 818—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:24.4(F)(7)(c) through (i) and 406.9(B)(15), relative to student assessments; to provide for posting of certain schedules; to provide for required schedule content; to provide for reporting of certain information to the Department of Education; to provide relative to the Parents' Bill of Rights for Public Schools; to provide for rules; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE BILL NO. 841—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GEYMANN, BRAUD, CARRIER, COATES, DEWITT, DOMANGUE, TRAVIS JOHNSON, KERNER, JACOB LANDRY, MCCORMICK, ORGERON, AND SAWYER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:1108(C)(1), to enact R.S. 19:2.2(A)(1)(d) and R.S. 30:4.4, and to repeal R.S. 30:1108(C)(2), relative to expropriation procedures; to establish a code of conduct for owners and operators issued a certificate granting expropriation authority; to provide for the powers of the secretary of the Department of Conservation and Energy; to provide relative to appraisals; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Natural Resources.

HOUSE BILL NO. 981—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1669, relative to the Law Enforcement Recruitment Incentive Program; to establish the Law Enforcement Retention Incentive Subfund of the Law Enforcement Recruitment Incentive Fund; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use, as specified, of monies in the Law Enforcement Retention Incentive Subfund; to provide for applicability; to provide for the payment of an incentive stipend; to provide for duties of the state treasurer; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1052—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SPELL AND CHASSION
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:440.8, R.S. 44:4.1(B)(40), and Children's Code Article 513 and to enact Children's Code Articles 525(C), 525.1, and 545(C), relative to confidentiality of records; to provide relative to confidentiality of work product; to provide for a definition; to provide for authorized and prohibited disclosures; to provide for public records exceptions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1089—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BAMBURG, BERAULT, BOYER, CARLSON, CARVER, CHENEVERT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, EGAN, HEBERT, CHANCE HENRY, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 25 of Title 6 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 6:1431 through 1434, relative to CARE Accounts; to provide for the establishment of CARE Accounts; to define certain terms; to provide for qualifying medical expenses; to provide for the deposit of certain funds; to provide for the disbursement of certain funds; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Judiciary A.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1101—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1021(introductory paragraph), 1123, 1208(A), 1221(introductory paragraph), (1)(d), and (3)(d)(introductory paragraph) and (ii), and 1226(A) and (B)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (3)(a) and to enact R.S. 23:1021(14), relative to workers' compensation; to define maximum medical improvement; to provide for the misrepresentation of workers' compensation benefits or payments; to provide for the compensation of certain income benefits due under workers' compensation; to provide for the rehabilitation of injured employees; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1154—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GLORIOSO, AMEDEE, BAYHAM, BERAULT, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSION, CHENEVERT, EGAN, FREIBERG, HORTON, MILLER, OWEN, TAYLOR, AND WALTERS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1060.1(9) through (12) and 1060.9, relative to prior authorizations for medications; to provide for requirements for certain generic medications prescribed by qualified physicians or authorized providers; to provide for definitions; to require health insurance coverage for medication; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Insurance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1166—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3196(introductory paragraph), (2), (4), and (6), 3197(A), (B)(introductory paragraph), (3), (8), (9), and (12), 3198 (A)(1) and (2)(a), 3198.1(A) and (B), and 3199(A), and R.S. 37:1432(A) and 1455(A)(introductory paragraph) and (33), and to enact R.S. 9:3196(7), relative to real estate; to provide for definitions; to require certain disclosures; to provide for the duties of sellers and real estate agents; to provide for

applicability and exemptions; to provide for the membership of the Louisiana Real Estate Commission; to provide for penalties; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SAWYER AND BOURRIQUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(35) and to enact R.S. 39:1572(A)(3) and R.S. 49:214.6.11, relative to Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity construction phase contracts; to authorize the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority to use Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (ID/IQ) contracting for certain projects; to provide for single or multiple competitive low-bid, best value, and qualifications based ID/IQ construction phase contracts; to provide for definitions; to provide for procedures and requirements for contracting; to provide for confidentiality of the evaluation process; to provide for contract term limits; to provide for rulemaking; to provide for an effective date; to provide for exemptions; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1194—

BY REPRESENTATIVES TERRY LANDRY, BAYHAM, CHANCE HENRY, TRAVIS JOHNSON, MCMAHEN, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:296(B)(4) and (5), (C), (D)(1) through (3), (4)(a)(iii), (6)(a), (7)(e), (9), and (10) and to enact R.S. 3:296(D)(11), relative to the Healthy Food Retail Act; to expand and enhance the healthy food financing program to improve access to affordable fresh food in underserved communities and food deserts; to require the LSU AgCenter to identify and map food deserts and develop an elimination plan with benchmarks; to provide for reporting requirements; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1203—

BY REPRESENTATIVES EDMONSTON, BROUSSARD, CARLSON, CARPENTER, CARVER, MARTINEZ, OWEN, TARVER, AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:236.4, relative to associations of parents; to prohibit restricting the use of a home or commercial establishment by parents participating in a parent-driven learning cooperative under certain circumstances; to define parent-driven learning cooperative; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1209—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMENT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:961, relative to cooperative endeavor agreements for the withdrawal of surface water; to provide for legislative intent and findings; to provide a sunset date for surface water withdrawal agreements; to require the secretary to consider potential introduction of invasive vegetation or wildlife species when forming agreements; to provide for reporting to appropriate legislative committees; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Natural Resources.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1244— (Substitute for House Bill No. 679 by Representative Ventrella)

BY REPRESENTATIVES VENTRELLA, BOUDREAU, BOYD, BROUSSARD, BRYANT, CHASSION, EDMONSTON, JACKSON, KNOX, LAFLEUR, TERRY LANDRY, LYONS, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, MOORE, SPELL, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, WALTERS, AND WILEY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:412(Section heading) and (R) and to enact R.S. 32:412(S), relative to driver's license designations; to provide for the establishment of a brain injury designation on driver's licenses; to provide for the criteria for obtaining the designation for new applicants and renewals; to provide for penalties for persons making false statements to obtain a brain injury special designation; to require the implementation of law enforcement officer training; to provide for rulemaking; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1249— (Substitute for House Bill No. 1022 by Representative Jackson)

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:171.1 and 3996(B)(24), relative to school-based health center services; to require public school governing authorities to adopt policies providing for the provision of school-based health center services to students; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Education.

House Concurrent Resolutions on Second Reading

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WILDER, BAYHAM, BERALT, BOURRIQUE, BOYER, CARVER, CHASSION, COATES, DICKERSON, EGAN, GLORIOSO, TERRY LANDRY, MACK, MURRAY, SAWYER, SCHAMERHORN, TAYLOR, WALTERS, WRIGHT, AND WYBLE AND SENATOR WHEAT
A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to implement improvements to Interstate 12 (I-12) in Livingston Parish, East Baton Rouge Parish, Tangipahoa Parish, and St. Tammany Parish.

The resolution was read by title and referred by the President to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committees

SENATE BILL NO. 57—

BY SENATOR MCMATH
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:661(C)(2) as enacted by Section 3 of Act No. 463 of the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana, relative to nutrition; to provide for labeling requirements; to provide for exemptions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Bill No. 57 by Senator McMath

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" delete "R.S.40:661(C)(2) as enacted by Section 3" and insert "Section 5(D)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "nutrition;" delete the remainder of the line

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 4, delete "labeling requirements; to provide for exemptions;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 7, after "Section 1." delete "R.S.40:661(C)(2) as enacted by Section 3" and insert "Section 5(D)"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, delete lines 10 through 17 and on page 2, delete lines 1 through 7 and insert the following: "Section 5."

(D) The heading of Part I-B and R.S. 40:661 as enacted by Section 3 of this Act shall become effective on December 31, 2028. R.S. 40:662 as enacted by Section 3 of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2028.

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

SENATE BILL NO. 405— BY SENATOR TALBOT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:2009.10.2, relative to nursing facilities; to provide for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Quality Rating System; to provide requirements for one-star rated facilities; to provide for the duties and responsibilities of the Louisiana Department of Health; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Bill No. 405 by Senator Talbot

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "facilities;" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 3

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, delete "rated facilities;" and insert "to provide for a statewide quality oversight initiative for nursing facilities; to provide for goals and strategies;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 5, change "effectiveness" to "reporting"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 9, change "One-star" to "Statewide quality oversight for"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, delete lines 10 through 17, delete page 2, and on page 3, delete lines 1 through 23, and insert the following:

"A. The Louisiana Department of Health shall develop a statewide quality oversight initiative for nursing facilities.

(1) The short-term goal of the initiative shall be to stabilize performance of facilities by identifying gaps, deploying targeted

incentives, aligning interventions with the most pressing quality risks, and identifying funding for execution of the initiative.

(2) The long-term goal shall be to create a more robust statewide quality oversight system capable of supporting and driving continuous improvement and overall system level changes.

(3) Stakeholders, including trade and advocacy associations, individuals engaged in the daily operational practice of nursing facility care, and quality improvement organizations, shall be identified and utilized by the department to build a coordinated approach centered on collaboration, education, and practical tools.

B. The Louisiana Department of Health, through the office of aging and adult services, shall identify and develop internal subject-matter experts to support the statewide quality oversight initiative. The department may utilize such efforts as considered appropriate, including but not limited to:

(1) Data dashboards and public-facing online tools.

(2) Resident and family satisfaction surveys.

(3) Staff training plans and ongoing staff training and development.

(4) Participation in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Nursing Home Staffing Campaign.

C. The department shall submit an initial report to the Senate and House committees on health and welfare on the status of the statewide quality oversight initiative on January 1, 2028, and annually on the first of January thereafter."

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and recommitment to the Committee on Finance.

SENATE BILL NO. 414— BY SENATOR TALBOT

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 15 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:1501 through 1507, relative to medical debt protection; to create the Louisiana Medical Debt Protection Act; to provide relative to interest rate limitations; to provide for garnishment restrictions; to provide for enforcement; to provide for terms and definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to Original Senate Bill No. 414 by Senator Talbot

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, change "1507" to "1504"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5 after "limitations;" delete the remainder of the line

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 6, delete "provide for terms and definitions;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 10, change "1507" to "1504"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 13, change "Subpart" to "Chapter"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 11, change "services," to "services."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, delete lines 12 through 15 and insert: "Medical debt" does not include either of the following:

(a) An open-end or closed-end extension of credit made by a federally insured financial institution, its subsidiaries, or affiliates.

(b) A debt charged to a credit card."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 26, change "two" to "three"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2 delete lines 28 and 29

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, delete lines 1 through 14

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, line 15, change "§1507." to "§1504."

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, line 23, after "information" insert ", which shall be considered confidential and redacted from the complaint"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 3, delete lines 24 through 26

On motion of Senator Mizell, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title, ordered engrossed and passed to a third reading.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 62—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:2525(D)(introductory paragraph), (11), and (12) and to enact R.S. 46:2525(D)(13) and (14), relative to the membership of the Louisiana Women's Policy and Research Commission; to provide for additional members of the commission; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Engrossed House Bill No. 62 by Representative Dickerson

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 19, delete "the"

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 193—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PHELPS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1125.1(B)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (2) and to repeal R.S. 40:1125.1(B)(1)(d) through (h) and (10), relative to the Louisiana Sickle Cell Commission; to provide for the members of the Louisiana Sickle Cell Commission; to provide for the initial meeting of the Louisiana Sickle Cell Commission; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Engrossed House Bill No. 193 by Representative Phelps

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 16, before "The" insert "(a)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 18, change "(a)" to "(i)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 19, change "(b)" to "(ii)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 1, change "(c)" to "(iii)"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 3, change "(d)" to "(iv)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 5, change "(e)" to "(v)"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, line 7, change "(f)" to "(vi)"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 9, change "(g)" to "(vii)"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following:

"(b) Any member organization provided for in Items (iii) through (vii) of this Subparagraph shall only serve on the commission if the organization has at least one healthcare professional on the organization's governance board."

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 203—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALTERS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1104(B)(3), relative to the Uterine Fibroids Commission; to provide for the membership of the commission; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 205—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BACALA, BEAULLIEU, BILLINGS, BOYD, FARNUM, GADBERRY, LARVADAIN, MARCELLE, THOMAS, WALTERS, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:426.1(B) and to enact R.S. 18:426.1(C), relative to compensation for election commissioners; to authorize the parish governing authority to pay supplemental compensation to certain election day commissioners; to provide for the scope of compensated services; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The bill was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 210—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MELERINE
AN ACT

To provide relative to the applicability of R.S. 42:1111(C)(6) as enacted by Act No. 492 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature; to provide for retroactivity; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 220—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHLEGEL
AN ACT

To enact Chapter 20-B of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:1780.1 through 1780.3, relative to reporting child exploitation on covered platforms; to provide for definitions; to provide for a reporting mechanism on covered platforms; to provide for penalties; to provide for duties of the attorney general; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to Reengrossed House Bill No. 220 by Representative Schlegel

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 4, line 6, after "account" insert ", unless the covered platform requires that a user has a registered account before accessing any of the features or content of the covered platform"

On motion of Senator Mizell, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 222—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1259.3, relative to Medicaid coverage; to require Medicaid coverage for dental procedures in certain circumstances; to require the Louisiana Department of Health to take certain administrative actions; to provide for a state plan amendment; to provide for administrative rules; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Engrossed House Bill No. 222 by Representative Berault

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 9, change "will" to "shall"

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 228—
BY REPRESENTATIVE STAGNI
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 49:191(4) and to repeal R.S. 49:191(1)(d), relative to the Department of State Civil Service, including provisions to provide for the re-creation of the Department of State Civil Service and the statutory entities made a part of the department by law; to provide for the effective termination date for all statutory authority for the existence of such statutory entities; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 246—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SPELL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:2605(B)(4) and 2605.1(B)(2) and (16), to enact R.S. 46:2605.1(B)(22), and to repeal R.S. 46:2605(B)(34) and (37), relative to the Children's Cabinet

Advisory Board; to provide for the membership of the Children's Cabinet Advisory Board; to provide for the membership of the Council on the Status of Grandparents Raising Grandchildren; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Reengrossed House Bill No. 246 by Representative Spell

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, delete lines 2 and 3 and insert the following "To amend and reenact R.S. 46:2605(B)(4), (34), and (37) and 2605.1(B)(2) and (16) and to enact R.S. 46:2605.1(B)(22), relative to the"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 8, after "R.S. 46:2605(B)(4)" insert ", (34), and (37)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, between line 16 and 17 insert the following:
"~~(34) A member of the Louisiana Chapter of the March of Dimes~~ A representative from the Family Road of Greater Baton Rouge.

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(37) ~~A representative of the Louisiana Association of Childcare Agencies~~ A representative of the Child Care Association of Louisiana.

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AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 2, delete line 14 in its entirety

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 420—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:474(B)(1)(a)(introductory paragraph) and R.S. 46:51.2 (A)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (2) and to enact R.S. 36:474(B)(1)(a)(iv), relative to employees of the Department of Children and Family Services; to provide for the authority of the secretary of the Department of Children and Family Services; to provide for hiring requirements; to require a criminal background check; to require review of the central registry; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Engrossed House Bill No. 420 by Representative Berault

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 3, change "R.S. 36:474(B)(1)(a)(iv)" to "R.S. 36:474(A)(10)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 4, after "Services;" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 5 and insert "to"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, line 10, change "R.S. 36:474(B)(1)(a)(iv)" to "R.S. 36:474(A)(10)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 1, between lines 12 and 13, insert the following:
"A. In addition to the functions, powers, and duties otherwise vested in the secretary by law, he shall:

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(10) Conduct a criminal background check and a search of the state central registry of substantiated abuse or neglect reports for all employees and prospective employees of the department in accordance with R.S. 46:51.2."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, delete lines 17 through 20

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 475—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:22.1, relative to artificial intelligence; to require a healthcare professional to disclose to a patient the use of certain software; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 486—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SPELL, KNOX, AND MCMAKIN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 44:4.1(B)(24) and to enact R.S. 37:2354(H) and Part II of Chapter 28 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 37:2371, relative to the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact; to provide for fees for psychologists utilizing the compact; to provide for the purpose of the compact; to provide for definitions; to provide for home state licensure; to provide for the compact privilege to practice telepsychology; to provide for temporary compact authority to practice in person; to provide for disciplinary actions; to provide for communication of information between compact states; to establish the compact commission; to provide for the duties of the compact commission; to provide for the promulgation of rules; to provide for oversight, dispute resolution, and enforcement of certain provisions; to provide for construction and severability; to provide for an exception from Public Records Law; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 574—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SPELL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 28:64(A)(3), relative to the Mental Health Advocacy Service board of trustees; to provide for the name change of the state's mental health organizations that are members of the Mental Health Advocacy Service board; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 584—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOYD, TAYLOR, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BOUDREAU, BRASS, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARLSON, CARRIER, WILFORD CARTER, CHASSION, COX, DESHOTEL, DEWITT, DICKERSON, FISHER, FREEMAN, FREIBERG, GREEN, HEBERT, DANA HENRY, ILLG, JACKSON, JORDAN, KNOX, LACOMBE, LAFLEUR, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, LYONS, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, MOORE, MURRAY, NEWELL, PHELPS, SCHLEGEL, WALTERS, WYBLE, AND YOUNG

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:286.16, relative to children in foster care, to provide for the privileges of children in foster care; to provide for age adjustments; to provide for the elimination of the practice of providing foster children with garbage bags to move between foster homes; to require proper luggage for a foster child's use; to provide for definitions; to provide for the responsibilities of local social services districts; to provide for

responsibilities of host families; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Reengrossed House Bill No. 584 by Representative Boyd

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 11 and insert the following:
"SUBPART D-1A. FOSTER ~~YOUTH'S~~ CHILDREN'S BILL OF RIGHTS"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 12, change "purpose; ~~rights~~" to "purpose; rights"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 13 and 14 and insert the following:
"A. This Subpart shall be cited as the "Foster ~~Youth's~~ Children's Bill of Rights"."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 16, change "~~rights privileges~~" to "rights"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, delete line 1 and insert "policies and practices of the department as applied to ~~youth ages fourteen~~ children from birth"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 2, after "through" insert "age"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, delete lines 3 and 4 and insert the following:
"C. ~~Youth ages fourteen~~ Children from birth through age eighteen in foster care in this state are entitled to the following rights granted to them when it is"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 5, change "youth" to "youth child"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, delete line 6 and insert the following:
"(1) The right to privacy concerning the ~~youth's~~ child's personal and"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 2, delete lines 8 and 9 and insert "* * *"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 2, line 10, change "~~right privilege~~" to "right"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 2, line 12, change "youth's" to "youth's child's"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 2, line 13, change "~~right privilege~~" to "right"

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 2, line 14, change "youth's" to "youth's child's"

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 2, line 15, change "youth's" to "youth's child's"

AMENDMENT NO. 16

On page 2, delete line 17 and insert the following:
"(5) The right to have the ~~youth's~~ child's medical and mental health needs"

AMENDMENT NO. 17

On page 2, line 19, change "~~right privilege~~" to "right"

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AMENDMENT NO. 18

On page 2, line 20, change "youth's" to "~~youth's~~ child's"

AMENDMENT NO. 19

On page 2, delete line 21 and insert the following:

"(7) The right to be provided the contact information of the ~~youth's~~ child's"

AMENDMENT NO. 20

On page 2, delete lines 24 and 25 and insert "*" * **

AMENDMENT NO. 21

On page 2, line 26, change "right privilege" to "right"

AMENDMENT NO. 22

On page 2, line 27, change "youth's" to "~~youth's~~ child's"

AMENDMENT NO. 23

On page 2, line 28, change "right privilege" to "right"

AMENDMENT NO. 24

On page 3, line 1, change "right privilege" to "right"

AMENDMENT NO. 25

On page 3, delete lines 3 through 24 and insert the following:

(12) The right to remain in the ~~youth's~~ child's school of origin.

(15) The right to refuse involvement in religious-based activities and the right to continue the ~~youth's~~ child's cultural, religious, and ethnic traditions and belief systems.

(16) The right to be free from discrimination of any kind on the basis of the ~~youth's~~ child's race, color, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national, ethnic, or social origin, property, disability, birth, or other status.

(17) The right to attend and have transportation to services, events, and activities provided by the Independent Living Skills Program within the ~~youth's~~ child's region, the right to receive timely notification of upcoming ~~youth~~ child advocacy and engagement services in the ~~youth's~~ child's region, and the right to be provided with the entire amount of the monthly allowance as outlined in department policy.

(18) The right to express and voice the ~~youth's~~ child's needs, concerns, and desires about foster care."

AMENDMENT NO. 26

On page 3, line 25, change "privilege" to "right"

AMENDMENT NO. 27

On page 3, line 27, change "their" to "the child's"

AMENDMENT NO. 28

On page 4, line 6, change "goes" to "remains"

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 750—

BY REPRESENTATIVES COX AND CHASSION AND SENATOR DUPLESSIS AN ACT

To enact Chapter 70 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:3301 through 3304, relative to automatic renewal contracts; to provide definitions; to provide for required disclosures; to establish cancellation mechanism requirements; to provide for certain required renewal notifications; to provide for recordkeeping; to provide for exemptions; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide a period within which to cure a violation without penalty; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to Reengrossed House Bill No. 750 by Representative Cox

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 19, and insert "paid subscription or purchasing agreement commitment for goods or"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 6, line 2, after "1950" insert "or its affiliate"

On motion of Senator Mizell, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 799—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:408(D)(1)(d) and to enact Subpart D-4 of Part III of Chapter 7 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1664.21 through 1664.33 and to repeal Part II of Chapter 1 of Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 23:41 through 49, and Part III of Chapter 5 of Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 23:531 through 546, relative to the inspection of boilers; to establish the authority of the state fire marshal; to provide for rulemaking and regulatory authority; to provide for duties of the fire marshal; to provide for licensing of boiler inspectors; to provide for inspections of boilers; to provide for inspection certificates; to provide for fees; to provide for penalties; to provide boiler installation procedures; to provide for exemptions; to provide for examinations; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs. The bill was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 813—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5581(A), relative to the sheriff for the parish of Orleans; to provide for the sheriff's term of office; to provide for the term of office for the sheriff elected at the election for parochial or municipal officer in Orleans Parish in 2029; to provide for the beginning of the term of office for each sheriff elected thereafter; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 815—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:41(C)(1)(k), relative to vital records in the custody of the state registry; to provide for the disclosure of records to federally insured financial institutions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 826—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREEN AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1598(A) and (B), relative to insurance; to provide with respect to referrals for sales and information on insurance products; to provide for compensation; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Insurance. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 870—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1060.9, relative to health insurance; to establish requirements for formulary placement and cost-sharing obligations for specific generic drugs and biosimilars; to prohibit certain utilization management practices; to provide definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Insurance to Reengrossed House Bill No. 870 by Representative Turner

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 4, after "practices;" insert "to provide for certain notices;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:
"(5) Net cost calculation" means the wholesale acquisition cost minus all rebates, discounts, and fees."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, at the beginning of line 9, change "(5)" to "(6)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, at the beginning of line 12, change "(6)" to "(7)"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, at the beginning of line 17, change "(7)" to "(8)"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, line 25, change "cost sharing" to "cost-sharing"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, line 26, change "cost sharing" to "cost-sharing"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 3, line 15, change "cost sharing" to "cost-sharing"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 3, line 16, change "cost sharing" to "cost-sharing"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, after line 26, insert the following:

"D.(1) A health insurance issuer shall notify the commissioner in writing within thirty days if the health insurance issuer opts to utilize the net cost calculation for a branded prescription drug in a drug formulary, in lieu of placing a generic or biosimilar on the drug formulary.

(2) For each National Drug Code (NDC), the notification shall provide the following information for both the branded prescription drug and any available generic or biosimilar:

(a) Wholesale acquisition cost.

(b) Net cost.

(3) The health insurance issuer shall provide the branded prescription drug cost-sharing amount and the cost-sharing amount if the generic or biosimilar was added to the drug formulary at a more favorable coverage tier.

(4) The health insurance issuer shall include in the notification how the issuer is utilizing the rebate provided by the manufacturer of the branded prescription drug."

On motion of Senator Talbot, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 949—

BY REPRESENTATIVE COATES

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:3207(A)(2) and (4) and (B)(introductory paragraph), (1), and (2), 3208(A)(introductory paragraph) and (B), 3211 through 3213, 3216, 3218, and 3219(A)(introductory paragraph), (1), (2), (4), (5), and (8) and (B), to enact R.S. 37:3200(13) and (14), 3207(C) and (D), 3208(C), 3210(E), and 3219(A)(11), and to repeal R.S. 37:3210(B) and 3221, relative to the Louisiana State Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners; to provide for definitions; to provide for duties and powers of the board; to provide for qualifications of applicants; to provide for examinations; to provide for licensure; to provide for licensing by reciprocity; to provide for necessity of a license or permit; to provide for a reinstatement of a license or permit; to provide for fees; to provide for discipline; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 953—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:2150, 2150.1, 2156(D), (E), (K)(1), and (L) through (N), 2156.1(A)(7), (B)(1), and (I), 2158(A)(introductory paragraph), and 2164(A), (B), (H), and (I), to enact R.S. 37:2155.1, 2156(O), 2156.1.1, and 2158(A)(24) and to repeal Chapter 16 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:1361 through 1380, relative to licensing of plumbers; to provide the State Licensing Board for Contractors the power to license and regulate licensure of plumbers and plumbing contractors; to provide for definitions; to provide for a Plumbing Contractors Subcommittee of the State Licensing Board for Contractors; to provide for licensing fees and penalties; to abolish the State Plumbing Board; to provide for the transfer of assets and obligations from the State Plumbing Board to the State Licensing Board for Contractors; to provide for an effective date; to provide for the grandfathering of existing plumbing licenses; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs to Reengrossed House Bill No. 953 by Representative Fontenot

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "amend and reenact" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 3 through 12 and insert: " the introductory paragraph of R.S. 37:1361(B), 1361(B)(5), (D), and (E), 1366(C) and (L), 1368(A) and (B)(1), 1374(C), and 1377(B) and (C) and to enact R.S. 37:1366 (M) and (N), 1374(D), and 1381, relative to the State Plumbing Board; to provide for membership of the board; to provide for training requirements for licensure; to provide for administrative assessments for statutory and regulatory violations; to provide for reporting requirements; to provide"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 17 through 19 and insert: " the introductory paragraph of R.S. 37:1361(B), 1361(B)(5), (D), and (E), 1366(C) and (L), 1368(A) and (B)(1), 1374(C), and 1377(B) and (C) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 37:1366 (M) and (N), 1374(D), and 1381 are hereby enacted to read as follows:"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

Delete pages 2 through 22, and insert:

"§1361. State Plumbing Board; appointments; qualifications; legislative intent; authority

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B. The State Plumbing Board is created. The board, which shall be appointed by the governor, shall consist of one registered mechanical engineer who is also licensed by the State Plumbing Board, one plumbing inspector who is also licensed by the State Plumbing Board, five master plumbers, one journeyman plumber, ~~one residential plumber limited~~ two licensed contractors, and two members of the public. Each appointment shall be made in the following manner:

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(5) ~~The residential plumber limited by the governor~~ Two licensed contractors, one of whom shall be from a list of three names submitted by the Associated Builders and Contractors of Louisiana or its successor and one of whom shall be from a list of three names submitted by the Louisiana Home Builders Association or its successor.

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D. All members shall be qualified electors of this state and, except for the licensed contractors and public members, shall be licensed by the board. The public members shall represent the general public and shall not earn their livelihood in a construction-related industry.

E. ~~Six~~ Seven members shall constitute a quorum.

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§1366. Duties of the board

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C. The board shall recognize the system of qualification or registration of apprentices as administered by joint and nonjoint apprenticeship committees approved by the director of apprenticeship and nonregistered apprentices in the employ of an employing entity or enrolled in an approved Louisiana Community and Technical College System training program.

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L. The board shall assist the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges in developing training, program, and course requirements that will prepare individuals to meet the qualifications established by the board for a ~~residential plumber limited~~ journeyman license.

M.(1) The board shall assess, in addition to any other fee, an annual fee of one hundred dollars on each plumbing contractor license renewal. The fee collected pursuant to this Subsection, shall be dedicated and allocated to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System for use exclusively for training programs related to the plumbing trade.

(2) Monies collected pursuant to this Subsection shall be in addition to any other funds received by the Louisiana Community and Technical College System and shall not replace, displace, or supplant any other monies received from the state or any other source.

(3) Monies collected pursuant to this Subsection shall be disbursed annually to the Louisiana Community and Technical College System by October first, following completion of the board's annual audit, after deducting an administrative fee from the total amount collected to be retained by the board.

N. On August 1, 2026, a residential plumber limited holding a valid license issued by the board shall become a licensed journeyman plumber.

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§1368. Issuance of ~~residential~~, journeyman; and master plumber's license; medical gas piping and installation license; medical gas and vacuum systems verifier license; water supply protection specialist endorsement; exemption; gas fitter

A.(+) The board shall issue a ~~residential plumber limited~~ journeyman license to any person who meets the following qualifications:

(a) (1) Has a current unindentured or indentured apprentice registration certificate issued by the board.

(b) (2) Has worked any of the following:

(a) At least two thousand verifiable hours as an indentured apprentice at the manual labor of plumbing under the direct, constant, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman or master plumber licensed by the board.

(b) ~~Has worked at~~ At least four thousand two thousand five hundred verifiable hours as an unindentured apprentice or at least

~~three thousand hours as an indentured apprentice at the manual labor of plumbing under the direct, constant, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman or master plumber licensed by the board.~~

(c) At least one thousand verifiable hours as an unindentured apprentice at the manual labor of plumbing under the direct, constant, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman or master plumber licensed by the board and holds a certificate of completion of an approved training program through the Louisiana Community and Technical College System, including through a re-entry program.

(3) Has successfully completed any educational requirements established by the board.

(d) (4) Has passed any written or manual examination required by the board.

(e) (5) Has paid the fees established by the board.

(2) ~~The board shall issue a license to any person who qualifies under the state board's regulations and who desires to engage in doing the work of a journeyman plumber if he passes a written and manual journeyman plumber's examination given by the board and pays the fees established by the board.~~

B.(1) The board shall issue a license to any licensed journeyman plumber or other person who qualifies under the board's regulations and who desires to engage in the work of a master plumber; ~~provided he passes a written master plumber's examination which shall be a standardized, nationally recognized test adopted by the board, pays the fees established by the board, and satisfies the provisions of R.S. 37:1367(B);~~ and meets all of the following qualifications:

(a) Has worked at least one thousand five hundred verifiable hours as a licensed journeyman plumber.

(b) Has successfully completed a twenty four hour responsible master plumber course.

(c) Has successfully passed any written or manual examination required by the board.

(d) Submits to a criminal background check.

(e) Has paid the fees established by the board.

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§1374. Penalty

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C. In addition to the authority provided in Subsection B of this Section, the board may assess administrative fines of not less than five hundred dollars and not more than five thousand dollars against any person, or employing entity, per violation of any provision of this Chapter or any rule adopted by the board pursuant to its authority as provided by this Chapter. An administrative fine assessed pursuant to this Subsection shall not be imposed unless notice and an opportunity to be heard has occurred, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act. Any administrative fine imposed pursuant to this Subsection shall not require the filing of a consumer complaint and shall be independent of any criminal prosecution resulting from the violation giving rise to the imposition of the administrative fine.

D. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to supersede the exceptions provided for in R.S. 37:1376 and 1377.

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§1377. Definitions; exceptions

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B.(+) Journeyman plumber. A "journeyman plumber" is a natural person who possesses the necessary qualifications and knowledge to install, alter, repair, and maintain plumbing systems; is licensed as such by the board; is supervised by a master plumber; and is in the employ of an employing entity.

(2) ~~Residential plumber limited. A "residential plumber limited" is a natural person who possesses the necessary qualifications and knowledge to install, alter, repair, and maintain plumbing systems and is licensed by the board to install, alter, repair, and maintain plumbing systems in one- and two-family dwellings at the direction of a master plumber without the supervision of a journeyman plumber.~~

C.(1) Apprentice plumber. An "apprentice plumber" is a natural person engaged in learning the plumbing trade by working under the direct, on-the-job supervision of a journeyman plumber and in the employ of an employing entity. Apprentice plumbers shall be indentured in an apprenticeship program approved by Louisiana Works or, unindentured and in the employ of an employing entity, or unindentured and in the employ of an employing entity while

enrolled in an approved training program through the Louisiana Community and Technical College System.

(2) Apprentice gas fitter. An "apprentice gas fitter" is a natural person engaged in learning the gas fitting trade by working under the direct, on-the-job supervision of a gas fitter and in the employ of an employing entity. Apprentice gas fitters shall be indentured in an apprenticeship program approved by Louisiana Works ~~or may be~~, unindentured and in the employ of an employing entity, ~~or unindentured and in the employ of an employing entity while enrolled in an approved training program through the Louisiana Community and Technical College System.~~

§1381. Reporting requirements

A. The legislature hereby recognizes the importance of the occupational field of plumbing and the necessity of expanding recruitment, especially in the population of minority students, as the pool of licensed plumbing professionals has not grown at the same pace of need for the occupation. It is the intent of the legislature that the board increase outreach to minority students for recruitment into the occupational field of plumbing.

B. The board, in consultation and collaboration with the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Louisiana Community and Technology College System, and any other vocational programs identified by the board, shall survey all efforts in effect to encourage minority participation in the occupational field of plumbing. No later than April 12, 2027, the board shall submit a report of the survey to the House Committee on Commerce and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs. The report shall include but not be limited to the following:

(1) The total number of licensed plumbers as of August 1, 2026.

(2) The number of licenses issued from August 1, 2026, through April 1, 2027, delineating the demographic information of all licensees.

(3) Methods to increase minority participation in the occupational field of plumbing, including recruitment and educational grant opportunities."

On motion of Senator Mizell, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1045—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:513(J)(1)(c)(iii) and to enact R.S. 24:513(J)(1)(c)(v), relative to the legislative auditor; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the legislative auditor; to provide relative to local auditees; to provide for the threshold amount for certain local auditees to be audited annually; to provide for the adjustment of the threshold amount; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1092—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BUTLER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:106(C)(2)(c), 564(D)(1)(a)(iii) and (2)(a)(iii), 1303(I)(1)(b), and 1309.3(D)(1)(a)(iii), R.S. 28:451.1(D) and (F)(1), 451.2(3) and (19), 451.3(B), 451.4(section heading), 454.1(A), 470(D)(2), 621(A), 771(B)(5)(b), 826(B)(1) and (2)(b), (C)(1)(a) and (c), and 917(A), R.S. 36:251(C)(1) and 258(D), R.S. 37:1021, 1023(A), and 1025(A)(2), R.S. 40:1159.9(A)(2), 1249.3(A)(3), 2018.7(C)(3)(g), 2018.8(B)(introductory paragraph) and (14), 2020(A)(1) through (3) and (B)(introductory paragraph) and (3), 2116(C)(1)(c), and 2180.3, and R.S. 46:1301(A)(introductory paragraph) and (1), 2352(F)(3), and 2605(B)(13), relative to the office for citizens with developmental disabilities within the Louisiana Department of Health; to rename the office for citizens with developmental disabilities as the office of intellectual and developmental disability supports; to make technical changes; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Health and Welfare. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1151—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:601.8, relative to the investments of domestic insurers; to provide for solvency; to provide for equity interests of life insurers and insurers other than life insurers; to provide for limitations on equity held by an insurer; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Insurance. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1162—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GLORIOSO AND CHASSION
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1892(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 22:1892(L), relative to the payment and adjustment of insurance claims; to require insurers to verify contractor licensing before issuing certain payments; to provide for a safe harbor from penalties for payment delays related to contractor verification; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Insurance to Reengrossed House Bill No. 1162 by Representative Glorioso

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 16, after "insured" delete the remainder of the line and insert "within thirty days"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the beginning of line 17, change "to R.S. 22:1892(B) or" to "except as provided in"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 4, after "pursuant to" change "R.S. 22:1892(B)" to "this Section"

On motion of Senator Talbot, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1176—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1077.6, relative to integrative care services; to require Medicare Advantage coverage for integrative care services; to provide for definitions; to outline applicability and effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Insurance to Engrossed House Bill No. 1176 by Representative Freeman

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 2, change "January 1, 2026" to "January 1, 2027"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, line 3, change "January 1, 2026" to "January 1, 2027"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, line 4, change "January 1, 2027" to "January 1, 2028"

On motion of Senator Talbot, the committee amendment was adopted. The was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1177—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:4(65), relative to public records; to provide an exemption for private information collected by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for the issuance of hunting and fishing licenses; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1196—
BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1029(B) relative to health insurance coverage; to establish a classification for colorectal cancer screening colonoscopies; to provide for associated preventive services; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Insurance to Reengrossed House Bill No. 1196 by Representative Freeman

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 4, change "(B)(1)" to "Paragraph (1) of this Subsection"

On motion of Senator Talbot, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1214—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 28:21, 25.1(B), 451.2 (introductory paragraph), (1), and (9)(introductory paragraph), 451.4, and 451.6(A), R.S. 36:251(C)(1), 253, 254(B)(1)(a)(i), 257(A) and (C), and 258(A), (D), and (F), and R.S. 40:16.1(Section Heading), to enact R.S. 36:253.1, 258(N), and 258.1, and to repeal R.S. 28:22.8(A)(2) and (3) and 451.2(9)(a) and (b), relative to the Louisiana Department of Health; to create the office of state health care facilities within the Louisiana Department of Health; to provide for the purposes, duties, and functions of the office of state health care facilities; to provide for the administration of certain healthcare facilities; to provide for the authority and duties of the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health; to provide for the authority and duties of the offices of the Louisiana Department of Health; to provide for the of the executive office of the secretary; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Health and Welfare.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Reengrossed House Bill No. 1214 by Representative Miller

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, line 5, change "will" to "shall"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 7, line 15, after "requirements" insert "for"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 9, delete lines 2 through 7 and insert the following:
"Section 7. This Act shall become effective on October 1, 2026."

On motion of Senator McMath, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1236— (Substitute for House Bill No. 866 by Representative Dewitt)

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1868(B)(introductory paragraph), (1),(2), and (4), and (C), to enact R.S. 22:1868(B)(5), (D), and (E), and 1868.2, and to repeal R.S. 22:1868(B)(2) and (C)(2), relative to pharmacy benefit managers; to provide for definitions; to provide for pharmacy reimbursements; to prohibit certain reimbursement cost assignments; to provide for certain prohibitions; to provide for an effective date; to provide for retroactive application; to provide for authorization of copayment assistance benefits; and to provide for related matters.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Insurance.

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Insurance to Reengrossed House Bill No. 1236 by Representative Dewitt

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "(1)," delete the remainder of the line and insert "and (4) and (C)(1), (2), and (3)(c) and (d)."

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "(E)," delete "and 1868.2,"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 4, after "22:1868(B)(2)" delete "and (C)(2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 7, after "application;" delete the remainder of the line

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, at the beginning of line 8, delete "of copayment of assistance benefits;"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, line 10, after "(1)," delete the remainder of the line and insert "and (4) and (C)(1), (2), and (3)(c) and (d) are"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, line 11, after "(E)" delete "and 1868.2"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 5, after "cost or" insert a comma " ,"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 24, after "counseling," insert "and"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 3, delete lines 12 through 14 in their entirety and insert the following:

"(2)(a) Adopt a reimbursement formula using ~~an adjustment factor that, based on claims experience data available to the pharmacy benefit manager, is reasonably expected to result in a claim payment error rate of no more than two percent per drug as identified by its national drug code: a professional dispensing fee that is an amount not less than the professional dispensing fee established by the Louisiana Department of Health for the Louisiana Medicaid program.~~"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 3, line 16, after "pharmacists" delete the comma " ,"

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 3, delete lines 20 through 28 and on page 4, delete lines 1 and 2 and insert a set of asterisks "*" * *"

AMENDMENT NO. 13

On page 4, delete lines 11 through 24 and insert a set of asterisks
 " * * * "

AMENDMENT NO. 14

On page 5, delete lines 1 through 5

AMENDMENT NO. 15

On page 5, line 6, after "R.S. 22:1868(B)(2)" delete the remainder of the line and insert "is hereby repealed in its entirety".

On motion of Senator Talbot, the committee amendment was adopted. The amended bill was read by title and recommitted to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1241— (Substitute for House Bill No. 943 by Representative Firmont)

BY REPRESENTATIVE FIRMONT
 AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:2472, relative to child support enforcement and insurer compliance; to require insurers to conduct data matches with the Department of Children and Family Services prior to issuing qualifying payments; to provide for withholding and remittance of certain payments; to provide for enforcement by the commissioner of insurance; to provide for rulemaking; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Insurance. The bill was read by title and referred to the Legislative Bureau.

Rules Suspended

Senator McMath asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to advance to:

Senate Resolutions on Second Reading Reported by Committees

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 86—

BY SENATOR MCMATH
 A RESOLUTION

To amend and readopt Senate Rule No. 1.2 of the Rules of Order of the Senate to prohibit wearing any eyeglasses with video or audio recording capability in the Senate chamber without approval from the President of the Senate.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs.

The resolution was read by title. Senator McMath moved to adopt the Senate Resolution.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fesi	Mizell
Abraham	Foil	Morris
Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	
Edmonds	Miller	
Total - 34		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Allain	Myers	Womack
Harris	Selders	
Total - 5		

The Chair declared the Senate had adopted the Senate Concurrent Resolution and ordered it sent to the House.

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

SENATE BILL NO. 83—
 BY SENATOR EDMONDS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 46:51(16), 2161, and 2161.1 and Children's Code Art. 610(A)(4)(b) and (E)(4) and to enact R.S. 17:419.5, 3996(B)(92), R.S. 46:51(16)(c), and Children's Code Art. 508.1, relative to human trafficking; to require each city, parish or other local public school board to adopt a policy to provide for training with respect to the prevention of human trafficking; to provide for training to identify victims; to provide for designation of certain school employees for certain purposes; to provide for assistance and services for child victims of human trafficking; to provide for procedures; to provide for investigations; to provide for reporting; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Edmonds moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miller
Abraham	Fesi	Mizell
Barrow	Foil	Morris
Barthelemy	Hensgens	Owen
Bass	Hodges	Pressly
Boudreaux	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Carter	Jenkins	Reese
Cathey	Lambert	Seabaugh
Cloud	Luneau	Stine
Connick	McMath	Talbot
Duplessis	Miguez	Wheat
Total - 33		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Allain	Kleinpeter	Selders
Harris	Myers	Womack
Total - 6		

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Edmonds moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 135—
 BY SENATOR MIZELL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 27:625(G)(2) and (8), relative to sports wagering; to provide for the crediting of funds from the proceeds of the tax on sports wagering net gaming proceeds; to provide relative to the funds credited to the Louisiana Early Childhood Education Fund; to provide relative to the funds

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credited to the Supporting Programs, Opportunities, Resources, and Teams Fund; to provide for a cap; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

SENATE BILL NO. 143— BY SENATOR EDMONDS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:2405.2, relative to the issuance of bulletproof vests to peace officers; to provide relative to funding the acquisition and distribution of bulletproof vests; to create the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement Bulletproof Vest Fund; to provide for the purpose and use of the fund; to provide for eligibility; to provide for administration by the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice; to provide for the transfer, deposit, and use of monies in the fund; to provide for definitions; to require the promulgation of rules and regulations with regard to the standards of bulletproof vests; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Edmonds moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Fesi Miller
Abraham Foil Mizell
Barrow Hensgens Morris
Barthelemy Hodges Owen
Boudreaux Jackson-Andrews Pressly
Carter Jenkins Price
Cathey Kleinpeter Reese
Cloud Lambert Seabaugh
Connick Luneau Stine
Duplessis McMath Talbot
Edmonds Miguez Wheat
Total - 33

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Allain Harris Selders
Bass Myers Womack
Total - 6

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Edmonds moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 155— BY SENATOR TALBOT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1077.6, relative to dental care and cancer treatment; to provide for healthcare coverage for certain medically necessary dental procedures as a result of cancer treatment; to clarify healthcare insurers are not required to provide coverage for routine preventative dental care; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Talbot moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Fesi Mizell
Abraham Foil Morris
Barrow Hensgens Owen
Barthelemy Hodges Pressly
Bass Jackson-Andrews Price
Boudreaux Jenkins Reese
Carter Kleinpeter Seabaugh
Cathey Lambert Stine
Cloud Luneau Talbot
Connick McMath Wheat
Duplessis Miguez
Edmonds Miller
Total - 34

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Allain Myers Womack
Harris Selders
Total - 5

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Talbot moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 157— BY SENATOR JENKINS

AN ACT

To enact Subpart C-1 of Part X of Chapter 2 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 17:1214 and 1215, and R.S. 17:3996(B)(92), and to repeal R.S. 17:48, 500.2(A)(1)(b), 1202(A)(1)(b), 1206.2(A)(1)(b), and 1211, relative to parental leave for educators; to provide for paid leave for eligible employees; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements to qualify for parental leave; to provide for compensation and length of time for use of parental leave; to provide for policies and procedures to implement the parental leave; to provide for certain notification; to provide for a special fund; to provide for implementation; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Jenkins proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Jenkins to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 157 by Senator Jenkins

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, line 20, after "Section" change "does" to "shall"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, line 3, after "Section" change "does" to "shall"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 7, after line 29, insert the following: "Section 2. R.S. 17:48, 500.2(A)(1)(b), 1202(A)(1)(b), 1206.2(A)(1)(b), and 1211 are hereby repealed."

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 8, line 1, change "Section 2." to "Section 3."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 8, line 3, change "Section 3." to "Section 4."

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 8, line 5, change "Section 4." to "Section 5."

On motion of Senator Jenkins, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator Jenkins proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Jenkins to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 157 by Senator Jenkins

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "R.S. 17:1214 and" delete "1215" and insert "1214.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 13, after "R.S. 17:1214 and" delete "1215" and insert "1214.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 6, line 22, delete "R.S. 17:1215" and insert "R.S. 17:1214.1"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 7, line 3, delete "§1215." and insert "§1214.1."

On motion of Senator Jenkins, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Jenkins moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns listing names under YEAS: Mr. President, Abraham, Barrow, Barthelemy, Bass, Boudreaux, Carter, Cathey, Cloud, Connick, Duplessis, Edmonds, Fesi, Foil, Hodges, Jackson-Andrews, Jenkins, Kleinpeter, Lambert, Luneau, McMath, Miller, Mizell, Morris, Owen, Pressly, Price, Reese, Seabaugh, Stine, Talbot, Wheat. Total - 32

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns listing names under ABSENT: Allain, Harris, Hensgens, Miguez, Myers, Selders, Womack. Total - 7

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed, ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Senator Jenkins moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 202—

BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S.18:423(E), relative to parish board of election supervisors; to provide for eligible compensation days during an election; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Miller sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miller on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 202 by Senator Kleinpeter

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 6, following "amended" and before "to" insert "and reenacted"

On motion of Senator Miller, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Kleinpeter moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table with 3 columns listing names under YEAS: Mr. President, Abraham, Barrow, Barthelemy, Bass, Boudreaux, Carter, Cathey, Cloud, Connick, Duplessis, Edmonds, Fesi, Foil, Hensgens, Hodges, Jackson-Andrews, Jenkins, Kleinpeter, Lambert, Luneau, McMath, Miguez, Miller, Mizell, Morris, Owen, Pressly, Price, Reese, Seabaugh, Stine, Talbot, Wheat. Total - 34

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table with 3 columns listing names under ABSENT: Allain, Harris, Myers, Selders, Womack. Total - 5

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed, ordered reengrossed and sent to the House. Senator Kleinpeter moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 237—

BY SENATORS BARROW, MIZELL, BARTHELEMY, BOUDREAUX, CARTER, DUPLESSIS, FESI, JENKINS, PRICE AND WHEAT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 24:525(C)(5), (6), and (13) and (D) through (G), R.S. 46:56(F)(1), (2), (8), (9)(a), (e), and (g), and (10)(a), Children's Code Arts. 508, 511(D), 609(A)(3), the introductory paragraph of 610(A), the introductory paragraph of 610(A)(1), the introductory paragraph of 610(A)(2), 610(A)(3) and (4)(a), and (D) through (H), 612(A), (B), and (C), 619(A)(1), 620(A), and 725.5(A), to enact R.S. 24:525(C)(14) and (H), R.S. 42:17(A)(12), R.S. 46:1(7), 51(17) and (18), 52.2, and 52.3, and Children's Code Arts. 512(E), 524(B)(13), and 603(17)(p), and to repeal Children's Code Arts. 509 and 610(I), relative to child welfare; to provide for the duties and responsibilities of the state child ombudsman; to provide for the duties and responsibilities of the Department of Children and Family Services; to provide for exceptions to public meetings; to provide for confidentiality; to provide for public reporting of fatalities and near fatalities; to provide for a critical incident review team; to provide for multidisciplinary investigative teams; to provide for forensic interviews; to provide for definitions; to provide for mandatory reporter training; to

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provide for child abuse and neglect reporting procedures; to provide for the assignment of reports for investigation and assessment; to provide for instant custody orders; to provide relative to implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Miller sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miller on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 237 by Senator Barrow

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, line 10, change "gender" to "biological sex"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 8, line 25, following "Louisiana" and before "Coroner's" insert "State"

On motion of Senator Miller, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Barrow moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Abraham Barrow Barthelemy Bass Boudreaux Carter Cathey Connick Duplessis Edmonds Miller Mizell Morris Owen Pressly Price Reese Seabaugh Stine Talbot

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Allain Cloud Harris Myers Selders Wheat Womack

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed, ordered re-engrossed and sent to the House. Senator Barrow moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 276— BY SENATOR MYERS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1558.1, relative to the appointment of a bail bond producer; to provide for a preappointment affidavit; to provide for cancellation of an appointment if the bail bond producer fails to satisfy all forfeitures and judgments on prior bonds; to provide for reappointments; to provide for appeals; to provide for rulemaking; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

SENATE BILL NO. 295— BY SENATOR WHEAT

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 22:1042.1, relative to coverage of medically necessary treatment for persons with acquired brain injuries; to require health insurance coverage of medically necessary treatment for persons with acquired brain injuries; to provide relative to limitations and cost-sharing; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for implementation; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Wheat moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Abraham Allain Barrow Barthelemy Bass Boudreaux Carter Cathey Cloud Connick Duplessis Edmonds Fesi Foil Hensgens Hodges Jackson-Andrews Jenkins Kleinpeter Lambert Luneau McMath Miller Mizell Morris Owen Pressly Price Reese Seabaugh Stine Talbot Wheat

Total - 34

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris Miguez Myers Selders Womack

Total - 5

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Wheat moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 388— BY SENATOR HODGES

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 14:112.14 and R.S. 39:1602.3 and to repeal Section 4 of Act No. 670 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to homeland security; to provide an effective date for Act No. 670 of the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature; to authorize the division of administration to review state contracts involving foreign adversaries or foreign terrorist organizations or their agents; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Hodges moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Abraham Allain Barrow Bass Boudreaux Carter Cathey Fesi Foil Hensgens Hodges Jackson-Andrews Lambert Luneau McMath Morris Owen Pressly Price Reese Seabaugh Stine Talbot

Cloud
Connick
Edmonds
Total - 31

Miguez
Miller
Mizell

Wheat

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Barthelemy
Duplessis
Harris
Total - 8

Jenkins
Kleinpeter
Myers

Selders
Womack

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it sent to the House. Senator Hodges moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 450—
BY SENATOR EDMONDS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:409.3(A) and (C), R.S. 29:726.6(B)(2), and R.S. 44:4.1(B)(9) and to enact R.S. 17:409.3(D) and (E) and 416.16.2, relative to school safety; to provide for mandatory reporting of certain threats of violence or terrorism; to provide for physical security school assessments of certain elementary and secondary schools; to provide with respect to public schools, charter schools, and nonpublic schools; to provide for options of consideration; to provide for confidentiality; to provide for limitation of liability; to provide with respect to the admissibility of certain evidence; to provide with respect to grant programs for security measures; to provide with respect to confidentiality of certain public records; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Miller sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miller on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 450 by Senator Edmonds

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, line 29, change "**43**" to "**44**"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 5, line 14, following "**deemed**" insert "**a**"

On motion of Senator Miller, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Edmonds moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President
Abraham
Allain
Barrow
Barthelemy
Bass
Boudreaux
Carter
Cathey
Cloud
Connick
Total - 33

Edmonds
Fesi
Foil
Hensgens
Hodges
Jackson-Andrews
Jenkins
Kleinpeter
Lambert
Luneau
McMath

Miguez
Miller
Mizell
Morris
Owen
Price
Reese
Seabaugh
Stine
Talbot
Wheat

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Duplessis
Harris
Total - 6

Myers
Pressly

Selders
Womack

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed, ordered re-engrossed and sent to the House. Senator Edmonds moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 465—
BY SENATOR MCMATH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1832(A) and (D), 1833(B) and (E), 1834, 1838(F) and (G), 1853(A), the introductory paragraph of 1853(B)(1), and 1853(C) and (D), 1854(A), the introductory paragraph of 1854(B), and 1854(C) and to enact R.S. 22:1839, relative to payments to healthcare providers; to provide for standards for receipt and processing of claims; to provide for recoupment of health insurance claims payments; to prohibit waivers; to provide for payments to pharmacists and pharmacies; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Miller sent up floor amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Miller on behalf of the Legislative Bureau to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 465 by Senator McMath

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 5, line 11, change "Subsection E" to "**Subsection D**"

On motion of Senator Miller, the amendments were adopted.

Floor Amendments

Senator McMath proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator McMath to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 465 by Senator McMath

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 2, change "R.S. 22:1832(A)" to "R.S. 22:1155(C), 1832(A)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, line 10, change "R.S. 22:1832(A)" to "R.S. 22:1155(C), 1832(A)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, line 5, after "providers;" insert "to provide for recoupment of dental service claims payments;"

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 1, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:
"**§1155. Denial of claims; appeal; prior authorization; preexisting conditions**

* * *

C. **Any recoupment by a dental service contractor shall be in accordance with R.S. 22:1838. A dental service contractor shall not retroactively deny, adjust, or seek recoupment or refund of a paid claim for dental services submitted by a dental provider for dental services rendered in good faith and pursuant to the benefit plan for any reason after the expiration of eighteen months from the date the initial claim was paid.** The contractor

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shall not recoup a claim solely due to a patient's loss of coverage or ineligibility if, at the time of treatment, the contractor erroneously confirms coverage and eligibility, but had sufficient information available to it indicating that the patient was no longer covered or was ineligible for coverage.

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On motion of Senator McMath, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator McMath moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table listing names of senators voting YEAS: Mr. President, Abraham, Allain, Barrow, Barthelemy, Bass, Boudreaux, Carter, Cathey, Cloud, Connick, Duplessis, Edmonds, Fesi, Foil, Hensgens, Hodges, Jackson-Andrews, Jenkins, Kleinpeter, Lambert, Luneau, McMath, Miguez, Miller, Mizell, Morris, Owen, Pressly, Price, Reese, Seabaugh, Stine, Talbot, Wheat.

Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table listing names of senators who were ABSENT: Harris, Myers, Selders, Womack.

Total - 4

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed, ordered re-engrossed and sent to the House. Senator McMath moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage

Bagneris Rule

Senator Henry moved to invoke the rule to temporarily pass over controversial House Bills on Third Reading and Final Passage with the intention of taking them up later, in their regular order.

Without objection, so ordered.

HOUSE BILL NO. 301— BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE AN ACT

To enact Chapter 11-B of Title 23 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 23:1821 through 1823, relative to voluntary portable benefits for independent contractors; to provide a short title; to provide definitions; to provide for contributions to a portable benefit account; to allow certain persons or entities to contribute funds to a portable benefit account; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Luneau proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Luneau to Engrossed House Bill No. 301 by Representative Wyble

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 3, after line 12, insert the following:

"D. The provisions of this Chapter shall not apply to the Louisiana Workers' Compensation Law, R.S. 23:1020 et seq."

On motion of Senator Luneau, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Seabaugh moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Table listing names of senators voting YEAS: Mr. President, Abraham, Allain, Barrow, Barthelemy, Boudreaux, Carter, Cathey, Cloud, Connick, Duplessis, Edmonds, Fesi, Foil, Hensgens, Hodges, Jackson-Andrews, Jenkins, Kleinpeter, Lambert, Luneau, McMath, Miguez, Miller, Mizell, Morris, Owen, Pressly, Price, Reese, Seabaugh, Stine, Talbot, Wheat.

Total - 34

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Table listing names of senators who were ABSENT: Bass, Harris, Myers, Selders, Womack.

Total - 5

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Seabaugh moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

Explanation of Vote

Senator Bass stated he appeared as absent on the vote on House Bill No. 301. He intended to vote yea and asked that the Official Journal so state.

HOUSE BILL NO. 358— BY REPRESENTATIVE BERAULT AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 433 in Slidell, Louisiana, as the "Charles R. Bordelon Sr. Memorial Highway"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Owen moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miller
Abraham	Fesi	Mizell
Allain	Foil	Morris
Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	

Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris	Selders
Myers	Womack

Total - 4

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Owen moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 359—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:410.8(C), relative to candidates who are not affiliated with a major political party; to provide for qualifying for the general election for a party primary office; to provide for the death of a candidate following the close of the qualifying period; to provide for the removal of the deceased candidate's name from the ballot; to provide relative to the counting of votes under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Reese proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Reese to Engrossed House Bill No. 359 by Representative Beaulieu

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, below line 18, add the following:

"Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."

On motion of Senator Reese, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Reese moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Fesi	Mizell
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Abraham	Foil	Morris
Allain	Hensgens	Owen
Barrow	Hodges	Pressly
Barthelemy	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Bass	Jenkins	Reese
Boudreaux	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Carter	Lambert	Stine
Cathey	Luneau	Talbot
Cloud	McMath	Wheat
Connick	Miguez	
Edmonds	Miller	

Total - 34

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Duplessis	Myers	Womack
Harris	Selders	

Total - 5

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Reese moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 384—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BERAULT AND GLORIOSO AND SENATOR OWEN

AN ACT

To designate a portion of United States Highway 11 in St. Tammany Parish between Carollo Drive and Kostmayer Avenue as the "Dan DeBlanc American Hero Memorial Highway"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Owen moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miller
Abraham	Fesi	Mizell
Allain	Foil	Morris
Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	

Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris	Selders
Myers	Womack

Total - 4

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Owen moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 413—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARVER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1454(B)(5) and to enact R.S. 22:1454(B)(6), relative to property and casualty insurance rate making; to prohibit certain rating factors; to provide for

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exceptions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Bass moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Fesi Mizell
Abraham Foil Morris
Allain Hensgens Owen
Barrow Hodges Pressly
Barthelemy Jackson-Andrews Price
Bass Jenkins Reese
Boudreaux Kleinpeter Seabaugh
Carter Lambert Stine
Cathey Luneau Talbot
Cloud McMath Wheat
Duplessis Miguez
Edmonds Miller
Total - 34

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Connick Myers Womack
Harris Selders
Total - 5

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Bass moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 428—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:463.243, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plates; to establish the "2023 and 2025 LSU Fighting Tigers College World Series Champions" specialty license plate; to provide for the creation, issuance, design, consent, implementation, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plate; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Allain moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Edmonds Miller
Abraham Fesi Mizell
Allain Foil Morris
Barrow Hensgens Owen
Barthelemy Hodges Pressly
Bass Jackson-Andrews Price
Boudreaux Jenkins Reese
Carter Kleinpeter Seabaugh
Cathey Lambert Stine
Cloud Luneau Talbot
Connick McMath Wheat
Duplessis Miguez
Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris Selders
Myers Womack
Total - 4

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Allain moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 450—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2491(E) and 2551(5), relative to the fire and police civil service; to provide relative to points awarded to veterans in competitive fire and police civil service employment; to provide for military service requirements of veterans in competitive fire and police civil service employment; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Wheat moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Edmonds Miller
Abraham Fesi Mizell
Allain Foil Morris
Barrow Hensgens Owen
Barthelemy Hodges Pressly
Bass Jackson-Andrews Price
Boudreaux Jenkins Reese
Carter Kleinpeter Seabaugh
Cathey Lambert Stine
Cloud Luneau Talbot
Connick McMath Wheat
Duplessis Miguez
Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris Selders
Myers Womack
Total - 4

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Wheat moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 631—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER AN ACT

To enact R.S. 56:3002(B)(9), relative to recreational hunting licenses; to provide for a nonresident license for bear hunting and to establish the fee; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Allain moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Edmonds Miller
Abraham Fesi Mizell
Allain Foil Morris

Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris	Selders
Myers	Womack
Total - 4	

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Allain moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 657—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRYANT
AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 182 in the city of Jeanerette, between Hubertville Road and Canal Street, as the "Berwick 'BJ' LeJeune, Jr. Memorial Highway"; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 182 between the cities of Jeanerette and Sorrel, as the "Ret. Judge Richard T. 'Dickey' Haik, Sr. Highway"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Boudreaux proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Boudreaux to Engrossed House Bill No. 657 by Representative Bryant

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, after "Jeanerette" delete the comma and "between"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, delete lines 3 through 5 and insert the following: "as the "Berwick 'BJ' LeJeune, Jr. Memorial Highway"; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 182 in New Iberia as the "Ret. Judge Richard 'Dickey' Haik, Sr. Highway"; to designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 182 in New Iberia as the "Col. Terry C. Landry, Sr. Highway"; to donate a portion of Louisiana Highway 96 in St. Martinville as the "Phillip 'Poppa' Dauterive III Memorial Highway"; to"

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, delete lines 11 through 13 and insert the following:
"Section 2. The portion of Louisiana Highway 182 in the city of New Iberia from South Evangeline Street to Louisiana Highway 3212, shall be known and is hereby designated as the Ret. Judge Richard 'Dickey' Haik, Sr. Highway".

Section 3. The portion of Louisiana Highway 182 in New Iberia from Louisiana Highway 3212 to the city limit of Lafayette, shall be known and is hereby designated as the "Col. Terry C. Landry, Sr. Highway".

Section 4. The portion of Louisiana Highway 96 in St. Martinville, extending from the Saint Martin Parish Sheriff Regional Training Academy to Freedom Lane, shall be known and is hereby designated as the "Phillip 'Poppa' Dauterive III Memorial Highway".

AMENDMENT NO. 4
On page 1, line 14, change "Section 3." to "Section 5."

On motion of Senator Boudreaux, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Allain moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miller
Abraham	Fesi	Mizell
Allain	Foil	Morris
Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris	Selders
Myers	Womack
Total - 4	

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Allain moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 669—
BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON
AN ACT

To authorize the use of certain state property near Grand Isle for seafood research; to provide relative to the specification of the boundaries and size of the areas in which the research will be conducted; to provide relative to protecting the state's natural resources; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Allain moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miller
Abraham	Fesi	Mizell
Allain	Foil	Morris
Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

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ABSENT

Harris Selders
Myers Womack
Total - 4

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Allain moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 675—
BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER AND SENATOR WOMACK
AN ACT

To designate a portion of United States Highway 425 from Morgan Street to Louisiana Highway 913 in the parish of Franklin as the "Assistant Chief Bill 'Putt' Linder Memorial Highway"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Wheat proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Wheat to Reengrossed House Bill No. 675 by Representative Riser

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, line 4, after "Memorial Highway"; insert the following: "to designate the portion of Louisiana Highway 16 at Seventh Ward Elementary School Zone in the parish of Livingston as the "Katy Wells Memorial Crossing Corridor";"

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 1, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following: "Section 2. The portion of Louisiana Highway 16 at Seventh Ward Elementary School Zone in the parish of Livingston, shall be known and is hereby designated as the "Katy Wells Memorial Crossing Corridor"."

AMENDMENT NO. 3
On page 1, at the beginning of line 10, change "Section 2." to "Section 3."

On motion of Senator Wheat, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Morris moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Edmonds Miller
Abraham Fesi Mizell
Allain Foil Morris
Barrow Hensgens Owen
Barthelemy Hodges Pressly
Bass Jackson-Andrews Price
Boudreaux Jenkins Reese
Carter Kleinpeter Seabaugh
Cathey Lambert Stine
Cloud Luneau Talbot
Connick McMath Wheat
Duplessis Miguez
Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris Selders
Myers Womack

Total - 4

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Morris moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 680—
BY REPRESENTATIVES WYBLE, BAMBURG, BAYHAM, BERAULT, BILLINGS, BRAUD, BRYANT, BUTLER, CARVER, CHENEVERT, COATES, CREWS, DEWITT, DOMANGUE, ECHOLS, FREIBERG, GLORIOSO, HEBERT, KERNER, KNOX, LAFLEUR, LYONS, MCMAKIN, MELERINE, OWEN, RISER, SAWYER, SCHAMERHORN, WALTERS, WRIGHT, AND ZERINGUE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:20, 33, 2041, 2056, 2061(2), 2062(2) and (4), 2063(A)(1), 2065(A)(4), (7), and (8), 2091, and 2191, to enact R.S. 23:2062(5) and (6), and to repeal R.S. 23:2054, 2063(A)(2) and (3), 2065(A)(9), and 2192 through 2195, relative to workforce development; to provide legislative intent; to provide a workforce system planning process; to provide for administration funding; to provide for executive organization; to provide for the goals, duties, and functions of the Workforce Investment Council; to provide for the transfer of state advisory council responsibilities; to provide for workforce development boards; to provide definitions; to provide for a Transition Advisory Team; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Bass proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Bass to Reengrossed House Bill No. 680 by Representative Wyble

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 2, between lines 21 and 22, insert:
"(f) An appointee from the Louisiana AFL-CIO."
"(g) Workforce Stakeholder appointed by the secretary of Louisiana Works."

On motion of Senator Bass, the amendments were adopted.

The bill was read by title. Senator Bass moved the final passage of the amended bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President Edmonds Miller
Abraham Fesi Mizell
Allain Foil Morris
Barrow Hensgens Owen
Barthelemy Hodges Pressly
Bass Jackson-Andrews Price
Boudreaux Jenkins Reese
Carter Kleinpeter Seabaugh
Cathey Lambert Stine
Cloud Luneau Talbot
Connick McMath Wheat
Duplessis Miguez
Total - 35

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris Selders
Myers Womack
Total - 4

The Chair declared the amended bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Bass moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 716—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
AN ACT

To designate the Chalmette Ferry terminal as the "Michael C. Ginart, Jr. Ferry Terminal"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Allain moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miller
Abraham	Fesi	Mizell
Allain	Foil	Morris
Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris	Selders
Myers	Womack
Total - 4	

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Allain moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

HOUSE BILL NO. 727—
BY REPRESENTATIVES DESHOTEL, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAYHAM, WILFORD CARTER, DEWITT, DOMANGUE, ECHOLS, EGAN, FIRMENT, JACOB LANDRY, MCCORMICK, MELERINE, OWEN, SCHAMERHORN, TAYLOR, AND WALTERS
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 30:2155.2, relative to construction debris; to prevent the Department of Environmental Quality from prohibiting burning of certain construction debris; to provide for the amendment or removal of any conflicting provisions in the Administrative Code; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Lambert moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miller
Abraham	Fesi	Mizell
Allain	Foil	Morris
Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh

Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris	Selders
Myers	Womack
Total - 4	

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Lambert moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

Motion

Senator Boudreaux moved to suspend the rules to take up House Bill No. 972 out of its regular order.

Without objection, so ordered.

HOUSE BILL NO. 972—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BOUDREAU, ADAMS, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BERAULT, BOYER, CARVER, CHASSION, DEVILLIER, FISHER, HORTON, JACKSON, KNOX, JACOB LANDRY, MARTINEZ, SPELL, TAYLOR, AND WYBLE
AN ACT

To designate a portion of Louisiana Highway 93 in Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, as the "Desert Shield-Desert Storm Veterans Memorial Highway"; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

The bill was read by title. Senator Boudreaux moved the final passage of the bill.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called with the following result:

YEAS

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miller
Abraham	Fesi	Mizell
Allain	Foil	Morris
Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	Lambert	Stine
Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	
Total - 35		

NAYS

Total - 0

ABSENT

Harris	Selders
Myers	Womack
Total - 4	

The Chair declared the bill was passed and ordered it returned to the House. Senator Boudreaux moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed and laid the motion on the table.

Rules Suspended

Senator Fesi asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to revert to:

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Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage, Subject to Call

Called from the Calendar

Senator Fesi asked that Senate Bill No. 513 be called from the Calendar.

SENATE BILL NO. 513— BY SENATOR FESI

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:2211.3 and R.S. 48:255.9, relative to public works contracts; to provide for a pilot program to authorize local governmental subdivisions to use average bid method; to provide for DOTD to use average bid method; to provide for reporting; and to provide for related matters.

Floor Amendments

Senator Fesi proposed the following amendments.

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Fesi to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 513 by Senator Fesi

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, delete "enact R.S. 38:2211.3 and" and insert "amend and reenact R.S. 38:2225.2.6(A) and to enact" and after "provide for" insert "design build contacts;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, delete line 3 and at the beginning of line 4, delete "method;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, delete lines 7 through 17, and delete pages 2 and 3, and insert the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 38:2225.2.6(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§2225.2.6. Design-build contracts; authorized use by airports; air traffic control tower and hangar

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a public airport may use the design-build project delivery method to contract for construction and design-build of an air traffic control tower or hangar development and redevelopment project when deemed in the public interest, beneficial to the entity, and in accordance with the procedures set forth by law. vertical facilities on airport property, excluding passenger terminal facilities at commercial service airports and equipment, when deemed in the public interest, beneficial to the entity, and in accordance with the procedures set forth by law. These facilities could include, but are not limited to, education or workforce development facilities, airport air traffic control towers, parking garages, and aircraft hangars.

* * *

Section 2. R.S. 48:255.9 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§255.9. Average bid method; authority

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a pilot program is hereby established to authorize the department and the office of Louisiana highway construction to use the average bid method to determine the bidder to whom a contract for public works shall be awarded. The pilot program shall be limited to four state funded projects per year, two each for the department and the office of Louisiana highway construction, and subject to the approval of the Senate and House committees on transportation, highways and public works.

B. (1) For purposes of this Section, if five or more responsive bids are received, the department shall average the bids, excluding the highest and lowest responsive bids. The department shall award the contract to the bidder whose responsive bid is closest to the average. If two or more bids are equally close,

award shall be made to the lower bid. If no bid is equal to or less than the average mean, award shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder.

(2) If less than three responsive bids are received, all bids will be rejected.

C. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to professional services.

Section 3. The provisions of this Section shall terminate March 1, 2028 unless legislatively extended."

On motion of Senator Fesi, the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Senator Fesi, the amended bill was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

Rules Suspended

Senator Edmonds asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to revert to the Morning Hour.

Rules Suspended

Senator Cathey asked for and obtained a suspension of the rules to recall Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9 from the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs and discharge said committee.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9—

BY SENATOR CATHEY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the Congress of the United States to immediately address the growing practice of congressional "carpetbagging" by proposing and enacting legislation, or a constitutional amendment if necessary, to require candidates for the United States House of Representatives to reside within the congressional district they seek to represent.

On motion of Senator Cathey the concurrent resolution was read by title.

The concurrent resolution was read by title and returned to the Calendar, subject to call.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs

ENROLLMENTS

Senator Kleinpeter, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs, submitted the following report:

May 7, 2026

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to submit the following report:

The following Senate Bills have been properly enrolled:

SENATE BILL NO. 68—

BY SENATOR MORRIS

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article V, Section 5(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to jurisdiction of the Louisiana Supreme Court; to provide for disciplinary proceedings over attorneys from other jurisdictions concerning legal services in the state and over related unethical practices; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

SENATE BILL NO. 114—
BY SENATOR HODGES

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 47:463.243, relative to motor vehicle special prestige license plate; to provide for the establishment of the "Foundation for Moral Law" special prestige license plate; to provide for creation, issuance, design, fees, distribution, and rule promulgation applicable to such license plates; and to provide for related matters.

SENATE BILL NO. 162—
BY SENATOR SEABAUGH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:1203.1(K), relative to the workers' compensation medical treatment schedule; to provide for appeals; to provide for the admissibility of evidence; and to provide for related matters.

SENATE BILL NO. 210—
BY SENATOR KLEINPETER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 18:425(A)(1), relative to election commissioners; to provide for election commissioners at precincts during an election; to provide party primary elections; and to provide for related matters.

SENATE BILL NO. 305—

BY SENATORS EDMONDS, BARROW, BOUDREAUX, CLOUD, HARRIS, HENRY, JENKINS, MORRIS, SEABAUGH, SELDERS AND WOMACK AND REPRESENTATIVES BROUSSARD, CARLSON, CARPENTER, CARVER, CHASSION, FREIBERG, TERRY LANDRY, MARTINEZ, ST. BLANC AND TAYLOR

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:3138.2 and 3138.13(C), relative to the Board of Regents; to provide for Louisiana Works to collaborate with the Board of Regents to create a statewide dashboard for career alignment; to provide for information on educational and career opportunities; to provide for duties of the Board of Regents; to provide relative to the collection and analysis of data on work-based learning; and to provide for related matters.

SENATE BILL NO. 376—

BY SENATORS MIZELL, BOUDREAUX, CARTER, CATHEY, CLOUD, CONNICK, EDMONDS, HODGES, JACKSON-ANDREWS, LAMBERT, MILLER, MORRIS, SELDERS, STINE, WHEAT AND WOMACK AND REPRESENTATIVES BERAULT, BROUSSARD, CARPENTER, CARVER, CHASSION, EGAN, FREIBERG, KNOX, TERRY LANDRY, LARVADAIN, MARCELLE, MARTINEZ, PHELPS, TAYLOR, VENTRELLA, WALTERS AND WYBLE

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:81(A)(8), 3996(B)(92), and Chapter 47 of Title 17 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 17:4201 through 4212, relative to local public school boards; to provide relative to the authorization of career practicums in public high schools; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to cooperative endeavor agreements; to provide requirements for career practicums and cooperative endeavor agreements; to provide relative to student labor, safety, and supervision; to provide for reciprocity; to provide relative to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education's rulemaking authority; to provide for trade and commerce limitations; to provide for exemptions; to provide relative to charter school participation; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Respectfully submitted,
CALEB SETH KLEINPETER
Chairman

The foregoing Senate Bills were signed by the President of the Senate.

**Privileged Report of the Committee on
Senate and Governmental Affairs**

ENROLLMENTS

Senator Kleinpeter, Chairman on behalf of the Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs, submitted the following report:

May 7, 2026

To the President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed by your Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to submit the following report:

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 56—

BY SENATOR FOIL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the 175th anniversary of the Young Men's Christian Association, recognize its role in strengthening communities, and encourage continued efforts to promote well-being and community connection.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57—

BY SENATOR SEABAUGH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Jonathan Lucroy on being inducted into the 2026 class of the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

Respectfully submitted,
CALEB SETH KLEINPETER
Chairman

The foregoing Senate Concurrent Resolutions were signed by the President of the Senate.

Message from the House

**SIGNED HOUSE BILLS AND
JOINT RESOLUTIONS**

May 7, 2026

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Speaker of the House of Representatives has signed the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions:

HOUSE BILL NO. 10—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHANCE HENRY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 1:55(E)(1)(j), relative to legal holidays; to establish the Friday of the International Rice Festival as a legal holiday in the parish of Acadia; to authorize the clerk of court in the parish of Acadia to close the office in observance of the legal holiday; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 16—

BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. BLANC

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:2488.1(A)(2)(c), relative to the City Court of the town of Franklin; to provide relative to the territorial jurisdiction of the court; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 34—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WILEY, BRASS, AND TAYLOR

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 11:2178(C)(3)(c), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide relative to eligibility for an actuarially

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reduced retirement benefit; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 44—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:2586(C)(9), relative to justice of the peace courts in St. Bernard Parish; to provide relative to jurisdiction and procedures; to provide for jurisdiction over property standards and nuisance violations; to provide relative to summons and subpoenas by constables; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 46—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5554(X), relative to the premium costs of group hospital and health insurance for retired sheriffs and retired deputy sheriffs in DeSoto Parish; to provide for eligibility of premium costs; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 78—
BY REPRESENTATIVE WYBLE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Civil Procedure Article 4843(G), relative to jurisdictional limits of city courts; to provide with respect to the jurisdictional amount in dispute in the City Court of Bogalusa; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 124—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DICKERSON
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 46:2146(A)(introductory paragraph) and (1)(introductory paragraph), (h), and (i) and to repeal R.S. 46:2146(A)(1)(p), relative to the Domestic Violence Prevention Commission; to provide for the membership of the commission; to remove a member from the commission; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 131—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 930.4(B) and (C) and to enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 930.5(C), relative to post-conviction relief; to provide relative to repetitive applications; to provide relative to custody and bail pending retrial; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 135—
BY REPRESENTATIVES MANDIE LANDRY AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:3881(A)(introductory paragraph), (7), and (8) and (D)(1) and (3), relative to exemptions from seizure; to provide relative to the exemption for motor vehicles; to provide an exemption for health savings accounts; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 171—
BY REPRESENTATIVE SPELL
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 323(A) and 324(A), relative to personal sureties; to provide relative to bail; to provide a technical correction to certain cross-references; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 179—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MUSCARELLO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:511 and Code of Civil Procedure Article 372(C) and (D), relative to notes and recordings retained by court reporters; to provide for ownership, custody, and control of the notes and recordings of court reporters; to provide relative to criminal and civil cases; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 292—
BY REPRESENTATIVES BOYD AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3251(A), relative to advances or deposits for a residential or dwelling premises; to permit the extension of a return of advance or deposits to a tenant or lessee; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 35—
BY REPRESENTATIVES WILEY, BRASS, AND TAYLOR
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2175.1(A)(3)(b) and to enact R.S. 11:2175.1(A)(3)(c), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide relative to the funding deposit account; to provide relative to the authority of the board of trustees: to provide for additional employer contributions to be credited to the account; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 48—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2174(B)(1)(b)(introductory paragraph) and (3)(a) and to enact R.S. 11:2173.1, 2174(B)(6), and 2178(O), relative to the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund; to provide relative to employer responsibilities; to provide relative to membership in the system; to provide relative to the payment of employee and employer contributions; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 52—
BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLIO
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 779(A), relative to trial without jury; to provide for the trial of misdemeanors; to provide for certain misdemeanors which may be tried by the court without a jury; to provide for prospective and retroactive application; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 164—
BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:716, relative to the Fifteenth Judicial District Court; to authorize the commissioner to preside over criminal, civil, domestic and family law matters; to provide for the powers and duties of the commissioner over criminal, civil, domestic and family law matters; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 537—
BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS
AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 23:1294 and R.S. 36:309(B)(2), relative to the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council; to repeal the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council.

HOUSE BILL NO. 652—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BRAUD
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:421(B)(5) through (15), (C), and (E)(4) and to enact R.S. 56:421(B)(16), relative to the Oyster Task Force; to add one member to the task force appointed by the commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry; to add the Department of Agriculture and Forestry as an entity that receives recommendations from the task force relative to the oyster industry and production; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 653—
BY REPRESENTATIVE BAYHAM
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:421(B)(10) and (E)(4), relative to the Oyster Task Force; to provide for the membership of the task force; to add the Department of Agriculture and Forestry as an entity that receives recommendations from the task force relative to the oyster industry; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 756—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:851.4(A)(2) through (7), (10), and (12), 851.10, 851.29, 855.2, and 855.3(A), relative to personal watercraft; to provide relative to the careless operation of watercraft; to provide relative to collisions on the waterways; to provide relative to enforcement and regulation; to provide for definitions; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 758—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRASS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2011(A)(1), (D)(22)(b) and (c), and (25), 2014(B), (D)(2), (3), (4), and (7), 2063(J), 2195.3(B), 2289.1(D), 2351.59(B), and (C) and R.S. 37:3154(10), to enact R.S. 30:2014(E), (F), and (G), and to repeal R.S. 30:2014(D)(5) and (6) and 2044(C), relative to Department of Environmental Quality fees; to provide for new fee structures to be set by the department and for those fees to be promulgated by rules and regulations adopted by the department; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 851—

BY REPRESENTATIVES ILLG, BAYHAM, COATES, COX, DESHOTEL, DEWITT, DICKERSON, DOMANGUE, FREIBERG, GEYMAN, GREEN, DANA HENRY, TRAVIS JOHNSON, JACOB LANDRY, MANDIE LANDRY, MACK, MOORE, ORGERON, RISER, SAWYER, SCHAMERHORN, SCHLEGEL, AND ZERINGUE AND SENATOR CATHEY
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2531(A)(4) and to enact R.S. 30:2531(A)(5), relative to littering; to prevent the intentional release of balloons; to provide for exceptions and penalties; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 964—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCORMICK
AN ACT

To authorize and provide for the transfer of certain state property; to authorize the transfer of certain state property in Caddo Parish; to provide for the property description; to provide for the reservation of mineral rights; to provide terms and conditions; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1071—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 44:3.7, relative to public records; to provide an exception for certain records of critical infrastructure of aerospace facilities or aerospace activities; to provide conditions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

and asked that the President of the Senate affix his signature to the same.

Respectfully submitted,
MICHELLE D. FONTENOT
Clerk of the House of Representatives

The House Bills and Joint Resolutions contained herein were signed by the President of the Senate.

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mr. President	Edmonds	Miller
Abraham	Fesi	Mizell
Allain	Foil	Morris
Barrow	Hensgens	Owen
Barthelemy	Hodges	Pressly
Bass	Jackson-Andrews	Price
Boudreaux	Jenkins	Reese
Carter	Kleinpeter	Seabaugh
Cathey	Lambert	Stine

Cloud	Luneau	Talbot
Connick	McMath	Wheat
Duplessis	Miguez	
Total - 35		

ABSENT

Harris	Selders
Myers	Womack
Total - 4	

Leaves of Absence

The following leaves of absence were asked for and granted:

Harris	1 Day	Myers	½ Day
Selders	1 Day	Womack	1 Day

Announcements

The following committee meetings for May 8, 2026, were announced:

Senate and Gov't Affairs	9:00 A.M.	Room F
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The following committee meetings for May 11, 2026, were announced:

Finance	10:30 A.M.	Room A
Retirement	1:00 P.M.	Room E
Revenue and Fiscal Affairs	10:00 A.M.	Hainkel Room

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Talbot, at 11:21 o'clock A.M. the Senate adjourned until Monday, May 11, 2026, at 2:00 o'clock P.M.

The President of the Senate declared the Senate adjourned.

YOLANDA J. DIXON
Secretary of the Senate

FRANCINE K. OGNIBENE
Journal Clerk

