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Legislative Update 2023 Legislature, Regular Session Truckers Association

Signed by Governor:

HB 11 (ACT No.8) by Foy Gadberry→Increases the contract limit for construction, maintenance, or improvement projects of the Department of Transportation and Development to \$1,000,000. Effective on August 1st, 2023.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1328114>

Awaiting Approval by Governor:

HB 83 (Enrolled) by Vincent Pierre→Clarifies that the student toll exemption applies to all students traveling via public ferry and to all students on school buses traveling on a road or bridge between 6:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. and between 2:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Excludes the Greater New Orleans Expressway.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1326916>

HB 215 (Enrolled) by Michael Echols→Provides relative to acceptable methods of payment for the office of motor vehicles. Requires the office of motor vehicles to accept credit cards, charge cards, and debit cards as a method of payment for fees, fines, taxes, penalties, and interest, along with all other payment methods currently used, excluding the payment of the payment for the International Registration Plan.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1327715>

HB 301 (Enrolled) by Troy Romero→Aims to add wrecker service companies working hazardous material accidents to those entitled to reimbursement of remedial costs. Authorizes wrecker service companies to sue to be reimbursed by the responsible person

or their insurance company for remedial costs in connection with working hazardous material accidents.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1328282>

SB 100 (Enrolled) by Eddie Lambert→Provides for advanced recycling facilities. The proposed law keeps the existing law and expands it by including adhesives and excluding hydrocarbon raw materials, waxes, lubricants, crude oil, naphtha, and other basic hydrocarbons as products. Provides clear definitions to related terms.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1326751>

House Floor Action:

SB 67 (Passed Y:85/N:0) by Robert Mills→Aims to make technical changes related to the Louisiana Timber and Agriculture Transportation Group Self-Insurance Funds.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1316748>

SB 196 (Passed Y:56/N:25) by Barrow Peacock→Creates the Litigation Financing Disclosure and Security Protection Act. Provides definitions for related terms. The proposed law mandates that parties involved in civil litigation, including personal injury cases and class action suits, disclose any litigation financing contracts or agreements where someone other than the legal representative receiving compensation or proceeds is contingent upon the outcome of the case. The existence of such financing and all participants in it can be subject to discovery. Legal representatives in class action suits must also disclose any relationships with litigation financiers. The litigation financier can be held liable for costs and monetary sanctions, and violating the proposed law can make the financing contract unenforceable.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1318314>

HCR 135 (Passed Y: 99/N:0) by Alonzo Knox→Urges and requests the office of motor vehicles to begin implementing new federal regulations related to state driver's licensing agencies accessing and using information obtained through the Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse. (FIL)

Read full provisions here:

<https://www.legis.la.gov/Legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1327181>

Senate Floor Action:

HB 592 (Passed Y:36/N:0) by Rodney Schamerhorn→Provides relative to the driver's education course. Revises portions of the driver education law to allow for the driver education course to be administered by a licensed Class "D" and "E" driver education provider.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1321643>

SB 44 (Refused House Amendments Y:39/N:0) by Rogers Pope→Provides relative to high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes. Proposed law eliminates the requirement for the secretary to consider travel time savings and increased capacity when designating a highway shoulder as an HOV lane. It also expands the definition of vehicles allowed to use the HOV lane to include authorized emergency vehicles and vehicles operated by the department or its agents as authorized by the secretary through regulations.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1321643>

House Commerce:

SB 214 (Favorably) by Patrick McMath→Proposed action involves renaming and restructuring the Department of Economic Development to the Department of Commerce. Additionally, it entails transferring the office of multimodal commerce from the Department of Transportation and Development to the Department of Commerce and moving associated powers and responsibilities.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1320530>

Senate and Governmental Affairs:

HB 221 (Favorably) by Mark Wright→Requires an agency, excluding BESE and any professional licensing board or commission, to identify two agency rules that it may repeal or revise at the same time it proposes to adopt a new rule and grants to a select committee on oversight of a house of the legislature the same power and authority regarding review of agency rules granted to the standing committees and any oversight subcommittee thereof if notified by the chairman of that committee that the standing committee or oversight subcommittee this his committee will not hold a hearing on a proposal.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1325229>

Senate Agriculture:

HB 60 (Favorably) by Michael Echols→Provides for the regulation of fueling stations for electric vehicles. Adds provisions for the definitions of “electricity disbursed by electric vehicle supply equipment” and “electric vehicle supply equipment” under the La. Weights and Measures Law.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1318662>

Senate Revenue and Fiscal Affairs:

HB 278 (Voluntarily Deferred) by Jack McFarland→A Constitutional Amendment that would increase the amounts of state severance tax revenues remitted to parishes. Repeals a previously adopted trigger for increasing these amounts which has never been implemented. Requires that parishes expend portions of these amounts in a manner consistent with expenditure of monies they receive from the Parish Transportation Fund, and implements provisions of the current constitution for the use of certain severance tax revenues for Atchafalaya Basin conservation projects.

Read full provisions here: <https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1317720>

Introductions:

HCR 142 (Passed to Third Reading) by Alonzo Knox→Urges and requests the Department of Transportation and Development to study the implementation of an annual review process requiring and annual training and review of state laws and federal regulations by commercial vehicle companies.

Read the full provisions here:

<https://www.legis.la.gov/Legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1328265>

