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Legislative Update 2023 Legislature, Regular Session Truckers Association

House Floor Action:

HB 60 (Passed Y:102/N:0) 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 Floor Action:

SB 62 (Passed Y:37/N:0) by Mike Fesi, Sr.→Provides for the notification of certain hazardous material releases. Makes changes to the “Right-to-Know” law to inform the public of risks of natural gas releases of any amount higher than 42,000 pounds.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1322157>

Read adopted Amendments here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1319016>

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1318059>

House Agriculture:

SB 67 (Favorably) 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>

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1316655>

House Labor and Industrial Relations:

HB 283 (Vote Failed) by Vanessa LaFleur→Provides that it shall be unlawful for any employer to discriminate, retaliate, or take any adverse employment action against an employee, who inquires, discloses, compares, or discusses his wages, another employee's wages, or aids or encourages any other employee to exercise the same rights.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1306760>

HB 313 (Voluntarily Deferred) by Ed Larvadain→Aims to afford certain protections to employees of commercial entities by establishing policies and practices that properly and efficiently address, mitigate, and, whenever possible, prevent workplace violence in commercial settings.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1307585>

HB 351 (Favorably) by Mandie Landry→Provides relative to a recommendation of medical marijuana in employment. Provides that a qualifying medical marijuana patient who receives a recommendation from an authorized clinician to use marijuana for a therapeutic use shall not be disqualified for unemployment compensation benefits.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1323817>

House Insurance:

HB 245 (Vote Failed) by Robby Carter→Provides a 5% reduction in premiums charged for bodily injury, property damage liability, personal injury protection, medical payments, and collision coverage with respect to a motor vehicle equipped with an operating dashboard camera. Provides that every insurer issuing motor vehicle insurance shall establish a system for the submission of proof and certification that an operating dashboard camera has been installed.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1306329>

House Governmental Affairs:

HB 221 (Favorably) by Mark Wright→Provides relative to rule making and oversight pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act. Requires an agency to identify two rules that it may repeal or revise rather than requiring an agency to repeal two rules for each new rule it proposes.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1323430>

Read adopted Amendments here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1323362>

Senate Transportation:

HB 11 (Favorably) by Foy Gadberry→Increases the contract limit for construction, maintenance, or improvement projects of the Department of Transportation and Development to \$1,000,000.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1310845>

HB 83 (Favorably) 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 certain hours.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1312773>

HB 301 (Favorably) 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=1311194>

SB 44 (Favorably) by Pope Rogers→Provides relative to high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes. Provides for the removal of the requirement of the secretary to factor in appropriate travel time savings and increase in the total number of people moved through a highway corridor with high levels of travel demand and traffic congestion, when designating a shoulder as an HOV lane. Adds to the definition of vehicles able to use an HOV lane to include an authorized emergency vehicle, or any other vehicle operated by the department or its agents as authorized by the secretary through promulgated rules and regulations.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1316922>

SB 50 (Favorably) by Mark Abraham→Establishes the “Calcasieu Parish I-10 Bridge Authority”. Provides relative to the Calcasieu Parish I-10 Bridge Authority to contract with private entities for the development or operation of a tollway equipped with tolls. Specifies the boundary and jurisdiction of the authority is coextensive with the boundaries of Calcasieu Parish. Provides the authority has powers granted by virtue of it being a nonprofit corporation and may exercise powers necessary, appurtenant, convenient, or incidental to the carrying out of its purposes; further provides for the use

of funds from the Megaprojects leverage fund to reduce or eliminate the toll of citizens from the five parish area including Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron and Jefferson.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1321425>

Read adopted Amendments here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1321353>

Senate Revenue and Fiscal Affairs:

HB 280 (Voluntarily Deferred) by Larry Bagley→Establishes a threshold for "excess severance tax" remitted to parishes and requires parishes to use excess severance tax revenues for economic development activities and infrastructure projects.

Read full provisions here:

<https://legis.la.gov/legis/ViewDocument.aspx?d=1313540>