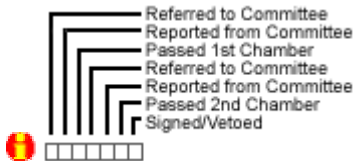




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Track: BOG SUPPORT BILLS

HB 35 [Smith, Patricia](#) Provides with respect to eligibility for parole consideration for certain elderly inmates.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill and related bills (HB194, HB918, HB946; SB195 and SB312). The LSBA noted that continuing to incarcerate certain elderly inmates who are no longer a threat is an unwarranted public expense.

Bill History: 04-29-10 H Returned to the calendar - subject to call

HB 38 [Connick](#) Provides relative to the recordation of testimony during depositions.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS**, noting that the bill was an improvement to the practice of law because it required consent of all counsel before a court reporter suspended or ceased recordation of testimony.

Bill History: 04-20-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Judiciary (A)

HB 75 [Harrison](#) Provides for the rendering of an accounting as relates to child support.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS**, noting that the bill offers a reasonable modification to current language by basing the right to an accounting on the payor's being current in the child support obligation.

Bill History: 05-03-10 H Meeting set for 10:00 A.M. RM. 2 House Civil Law

HB 136 [Abramson](#) Provides for admissibility of medical records.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS**, noting that the bill's extension to all health care providers and the payment requirements regarding copies of medical records improved the practice of law.

Bill History: 03-04-10 H Referred to House Committee on House Civil Law

- HB 194 [Smith, Patricia](#) Amends the earning rate for diminution of sentence and length of sentence which must be served before being eligible for parole.
- Specific Remarks:** The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill and related bills (HB 35, HB918, HB946; SB195 and SB312). The LSBA noted that continuing to incarcerate certain elderly inmates who are no longer a threat is an unwarranted public expense.
- Bill History:** 05-03-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Judiciary (C)
- HB 195 [Mills](#) Changes the number of votes required to grant parole to certain offenders under specified conditions.
- Specific Remarks:** The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill.
- Bill History:** 05-03-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Judiciary (B)
- HB 214 [Kleckley](#) Provides for electronic filing and storage of documents relative to civil procedure.
- Specific Remarks:** The LSBA **SUPPORTS**, noting that electronic storage and filing of documents was efficient and improved the practice of law.
- Bill History:** 05-13-10 H Meeting set for 9:00 A.M. RM. 1 House Judiciary
- HB 245 [Leger](#) Provides that criminal sentences shall run concurrently unless a consecutive sentence is ordered by the court.
- Specific Remarks:** The LSBA strongly **SUPPORTS** this bill.
- Bill History:** 05-05-10 H Involuntarily Deferred House Administration of Criminal Justice
- HB 254 [Leger](#) Authorizes certain individuals to view certain videotaped statements of a protected person.
- Specific Remarks:** The LSBA **SUPPORTS**, noting that the bill provides a meaningful right to counsel and access to justice.
- Bill History:** 04-22-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Judiciary (C)
- HB 398 [Landry](#) Provides relative to the award of reasonable attorney fees in judgments on open accounts.
- Specific Remarks:** The LSBA strongly **SUPPORTS**, noting that the recovery of reasonable attorney's fees is warranted on suits on open accounts.
- Bill History:** 05-11-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Judiciary (A)
- HB 505 [Richmond](#) Increases monetary amount for wrongful convictions.
- Specific Remarks:** The LSBA **SUPPORTS**, noting that additional recovery for wrongful convictions is warranted.
- Bill History:** 04-27-10 H Committee hearing cancelled House Administration of Criminal Justice
- HB 807 [Burns, Tim](#) Requires that a title opinion contain a search of the mortgage or

public records for a specified period of time for federal judgments or if the transaction being insured is a sale or a mortgage.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS**. The bill is sponsored by the Louisiana Land Title Association.

Bill History: 04-27-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Judiciary (A)

HB 851 [Abramson](#) Establishes the "Juror's Bill of Rights".

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill and notes that it is consistent with previous bar policy.

Bill History: 03-18-10 H Referred to House Committee on House Judiciary

HB 918 [Smith, Patricia](#) Authorizes earning of additional good time for participation in certain rehabilitation and treatment programs.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill and related bills (HB 35, HB194, HB946; SB195 and SB312). The LSBA noted that continuing to incarcerate certain elderly inmates who are no longer a threat is an unwarranted public expense.

Bill History: 05-06-10 H Failed to pass (Vote: Y: 39/N: 45)

HB 946 [Richmond](#) Authorizes geriatric parole for certain inmates.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill and related bills (HB 35, HB194, HB918; SB195 and SB312). The LSBA noted that continuing to incarcerate certain elderly inmates who are no longer a threat is an unwarranted public expense.

Bill History: 04-21-10 H Meeting set for 9:30 A.M. RM. 6 House Administration of Criminal Jus

HB 948 [Leger](#) Allows the recording of grand jury proceedings, preparation of transcripts, and review of grand jury proceedings under certain circumstances.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill, and also notes that the LDAA also supports this bill.

Bill History: 03-18-10 H Referred to House Committee on House Administration of Criminal Justice

HB 1029 [Hoffman](#) Provides relative to instruction in Civics and Free Enterprise.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA strongly **SUPPORTS** this bill which is consistent with the LSBA position adopted by the House of Delegates in January 2010.

Bill History: 05-03-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Education

HB 1062 [Foil](#) Provides relative to consolidation for trial as relates to civil actions.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill, and notes that it is an improvement in the law regarding consolidations.

Bill History: 04-07-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Judiciary (A)

HB 1159 Greene Provides relative to fees paid for copying medical records.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA strongly **SUPPORTS** this bill which prohibits health care providers from imposing additional charges beyond statutorily authorized fee for copying medical records. This bill is similar but not identical to SB575 which the LSBA is also supporting.

Bill History: 05-11-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Judiciary (A)

HB 1161 Jones, R. Provides for the membership of the Louisiana State Law Institute.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill, and notes that the bill is consistent with bar policy regarding diversity.

Bill History: 05-04-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs

HB 1218 Greene Requires the clerks of court to remit unused funds or to demand payment for costs in civil matters within a certain period of time.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill.

Bill History: 05-04-10 H Returned to the calendar - subject to call

SB 46 Appel Provides relative to motions for a new trial in parish and city courts.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill, and notes that the bill conforms the delays for new trials for all city courts to those which apply to parish courts.

Bill History: 05-06-10 H Set on the House Orders

SB 195 Claitor Authorizes the early release of non-risk geriatric inmates.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill and related bills (HB 35, HB194, HB918; HB946 and SB312). The LSBA noted that continuing to incarcerate certain elderly inmates who are no longer a threat is an unwarranted public expense.

Bill History: 05-04-10 S Meeting set for 9:30 a.m. Rm. E Senate Judiciary (B)

SB 312 Morrish Provides for diminution of sentence for good behavior.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill and related bills (HB 35, HB194, HB918; HB946 and SB195). The LSBA noted that continuing to incarcerate certain elderly inmates who are no longer a threat is an unwarranted public expense.

Bill History: 03-31-10 S Recommitted Senate Judiciary (B)

SB 388 Claitor Provides for motions for summary judgment.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill.

Bill History: 04-05-10 S Committee hearing cancelled Senate Judiciary (A)

SB 531 Claitor Creates State Spending Programs Integrity Act authorizing actions and qui tam actions for certain matters.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill. The bill is important to NGO efforts. There is currently no method to sue those who defraud the state, except for Katrina-related contracts and Medicaid.

Bill History: 03-19-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Judiciary (A)

SB 575 Claitor Enacts the "Fair Billing for Medical Records" Act.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill. This bill is similar but not identical to HB1159 which the LSBA is also supporting. The bill prohibits additional copying charges for medical records.

Bill History: 03-19-10 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate Health and Welfare

SB 689 Martiny Amends the definition of "practice of law".

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill, and notes that the bill allows a corporation or an LLC on small claims to designate a person to represent the corporation and serves bar policy relative to access to justice.

Bill History: 05-12-10 H Passed (Vote: Y: 86/N: 0)

SB 696 Quinn Provides for interlocutory judgments.

Specific Remarks: The LSBA **SUPPORTS** this bill.

Bill History: 05-04-10 S Returned to the calendar - subject to call

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