

MORE FROM THE HOUSE FLOOR, WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

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■(GIT) House members considered and took action on the following measures during Wednesday's nearly marathon session:

HB1788, by Rep. Jim Hamilton, D-Poteau, relating to the Office of State Finance, received a passing vote of 92-0 following the adoption of the bill's conference committee report.

Receiving a 91-5 passing vote was **HB1819**, also by Hamilton, codifying the prohibition of disposing of any airplane acquired by the Department of Public Safety without approval of the legislature. The action followed the adoption of the bill's conference committee report.

HB2063, by Rep. Al Sadler, D-Ardmore, which changes permissive language as it relates to special license plates for disabled veterans, received a passing vote of 97-3 following the adoption of its second conference committee report.

HB2094, by Rep. Larry D. Roberts, D-Miami, which modifies references to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System, received a passing vote of 99-0 after the adoption of the bill's third conference committee report.

HB2147, by Rep. Don McCorkell, D-Tulsa, which creates the Procurement Procedures Act, saw the adoption of its second conference committee report before receiving a passing vote of 71-24.

HB2193, by Rep. James Hager, D-Pawhuska, which allows school districts to create their own educational improvement plan. The bill which deletes required components of said plan and allows districts to request an exemption from any statutory requirement or State Board rule not related to bilingual and special education programs, health and safety provisions, school finance, State Aid, pupil formula weights, teacher salary and teacher retirement, the Oklahoma School Testing Program and the Oklahoma Educational Indicators Program, received a passing vote of 99-0 with the adoption of the bill's third conference committee report.

HB2202, by Rep. Don McCorkell, D-Tulsa, which modifies the definition of "commercial airline" to include unscheduled services and relates to aircraft excise taxes, was passed by a 96-0 vote following the adoption of its second conference committee report.

Without debate, **HB2317**, by Rep. James Hager, D-Pawhuska, which deletes the con-

textual requirement relating to the residence of a child for school purposes and clarifies statutory reference, received a passing vote of 97-0 following the adoption of the bill's second conference committee report.

HB2416, by Rep. Larry Rice, D-Pryor, which allows an equal number of years of employment with the Corporation Commission as a field inspector to qualify an applicant for employment with the Conservation Commission for positions requiring experience in the production of oil and gas, was adopted by a 63-33 vote following the unanimous consent adoption of its third conference committee report. An emergency clause for the bill also received a 68-26 passing vote.

HB2437, Rep. Joe Eddins, D-Vinita, which requires that underage students shall participate in developmental assessments to determine if the child is ready for admittance to kindergarten and requires the board of education to develop and adopt a written plan outlining the kindergarten program being offered to the underaged child, was passed by a 98-1 vote with an emergency clause following the adoption of the measure's second conference committee report.

HB2972, by Rep. Russ Roach, D-Tulsa, creates the Oklahoma Voluntary Remediation and Redevelopment Act, which encourages voluntary remediation of contaminated sites by limiting the liability of property owners; fosters reuse of property previously contaminated and establishes a voluntary site remediation program to assist property owners received an 88-10 passing vote following the adoption of its second conference committee report.

HCR1090, by Rep. Calvin Anthony, D-Stillwater, which authorizes the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges, acting on behalf of Oklahoma State University, to issue revenue bonds, was adopted by unanimous consent.

Also adopted by unanimous consent was **HCR1108**, by Rep. Fred Perry, R-Tulsa, which directs state agencies and other entities to begin planning and budgeting for appropriate computer conversions for the millennium.

HCR1111, by Rep. Gary Taylor, D-Dewey, which authorizes the Commission for Human Services to enter into a certain lease/purchase agreement for certain office space, was adopted by unanimous consent.

HR1071, by Rep. Ray Vaughn, R-

Edmond, which praises Oklahoma's Special Olympics and commends Greg Ashworth and the Paynter family, was adopted.

HR1072, by Rep. Glen D. Johnson, D-Okemah, which authorizes the employment of necessary personnel; provides for repairs to offices and equipment; provides for purchase of equipment necessary for the operation of the House of Representatives during interim, was adopted by unanimous consent.

SB685, by Rep. Larry Adair, D-Stilwell, which sets maximum speed and minimum speed limits for interstate and four-lane divided highways, was returned to conference committee with instructions to remove a provision dealing with truck weights by a 51-34 vote. The action followed a 26-64 decision against adopting the bill's fourth conference committee report.

SB709, by Rep. Dwayne Steidley, D-Claremore, which directs the Corporation Commission to cause the expansion of Wide Area Calling Plans to include every local telephone exchange which is the sole unincorporated exchange seated in a county where all the other exchanges seated in said county are already included in a Wide Area Calling Plan and provides for related constitutional amendment was adopted by a vote of 70-27 with an emergency clause following the acceptance of the bill's second conference committee report.

SB823, by Rep. James Hamilton, D-Poteau, which appropriates funds and sets budgetary limitations for the Department of Commerce, was passed by a 82-14 vote following the adoption of its conference committee report.

SB846, by Rep. James Hamilton, D-Poteau, which appropriates funds and provides lapse date for unexpended funds received a passing vote of 97-0 following the adoption of its conference committee report.

SB891, by Rep. Larry Roberts, D-Miami, which provides additional years of participating service for employees terminated due to a reduction in force due to privatization or loss of federal revenue, received a passing vote of 93-5 following the adoption of the bill's third conference committee report.

SB993, by Rep. Chris Hastings, R-Tulsa, which states that an owner who has sold or transferred the ownership of a vehicle and who has delivered the vehicle to the purchaser or transferee shall not be civilly or criminally liable for the parking, abandonment, or operation of the vehicle by another

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