Louisiana Family Forum Action

Family Security Advisory

2010 Regular Session – LA Senate

1. ULTRASOUND BEFORE ABORTION – KILLER AMENDMENT
SB 528 (Broome) Requires that any woman seeking an abortion must receive an ultrasound and she must be given the opportunity to see the image of her unborn child. Heitmeier Amendment would have removed all of these provisions from the original bill by allowing the abortionist to decide if the woman should receive an ultrasound.

Killer Amendment Failed
Yes = 9 (-) No = 28 (+) Not Voting = 2 (a)
Status: Signed by the Governor

2. FEDERAL HEALTHCARE PLAN OPT-OUT
HB 1474 (Talbot) [Final Passage]
Prohibits the federal government from forcing Louisiana residents to purchase health insurance under the federal healthcare plan.

Yes = 28 (+) No = 4 (-) Not Voting = 7 (a)
Status: Signed by the Governor

3. ABORTION OPT-OUT
HB 1247 (Hoffman) [Final Passage]
Prohibits coverage of elective abortions by health insurance issuers in the taxpayer subsidized portion of the federal healthcare plan.

Yes = 28 (+) No = 3 (-) Not Voting = 8 (a)
Status: Signed by the Governor

4. JOHNNY’S MILK MONEY
SB 53 (N. Gautreaux) [Final Passage]
Requires the withholding of delinquent child support from the winnings of gamblers.

Yes = 38 (+) No = 0 (-) Not Voting = 1 (a)
Status: Signed by the Governor

5. HOMESCHOOL DIPLOMA RECOGNITION
SB 798 (Walsworth) [Final Passage]
Recognizes that a diploma issued to a student who has successfully completed an approved home study program carries the same privileges as one issued by an approved non-public school.

Yes = 31 (+) No = 5 (-) Not Voting = 3 (a)
Status: Signed by the Governor

6. CHURCH DAY CARE DEREGULATION
HB 287 (Cortez) [Final Passage]
Exempts religious day care centers open less than 24 hours a week from government day care regulations. Also limits governmental control on religious practices within daycare operations.

Yes = 37 (+) No = 1 (-) Not Voting = 0 (a)
Status: Signed by the Governor

7. RELIGIOUS FREEDOM ACT
SB 606 (Martiny) [Final Passage]
Establishes a wall of protection by limiting the circumstances under which governmental regulation would be allowed to deny religious freedom.

Yes = 29 (+) No = 6 (-) Not Voting = 4 (a)
Status: Signed by the Governor

8. INFLATED APPROPRIATIONS BILL
HB 1 (Fannin) [Final Passage]
Final approval of state budget bill that used non-recurring revenues ($2.8 Billion) to offset recurring expenses, thus postponing necessary cuts.

Yes = 38 (-) No = 1 (+) Not Voting = 0 (a)
Status: Signed by the Governor

9. EXTRAVAGANT CONTINGENCY FEES
SB 731 (Chaisson) [Final Passage]
Allowed up to $100 million of state funds for select private attorney fees in litigating the BP oil spill.

Yes = 21 (-) No = 16 (+) Not Voting = 2 (a)
Status: Died on House Calendar

10. REJECT NATIONAL I.D.
HB 870 (B. Geymann) [Final Passage]
Reject any form of National I.D. Card

Yes = 33 (+) No = 0 (-) Not Voting = 6 (a)
Status: Signed by the Governor