If you have any questions, call the PULS Line (Public Update Legislative Services Line): 225-342-2456 They can direct you to the proper place for committee information; provide information about bills; explain aspects of the legislative process and more. This line serves both the House and Senate.

### **GETTING THERE**

#### **Driving Directions**

#### Address: 900 N Third St, Baton Rouge, LA 70802

From I-10 West or East bound take I-10 North (which turns into MLK Expressway) to downtown Baton Rouge. At the curve, exit right on Capitol Access Rd./Dept. of Transportation & Development (Exit 1-E) and as you continue on this exit ramp you will loop back over I-110.

If you are approaching from I-110 South, exit right on Capitol Access Rd. (Exit 1-E).

Whether you're coming from the north or south, both exit ramps will direct you onto the Capitol Access Road heading in the direction of the State Capitol.

You will see the Department of Transportation and Development on your right, pass through a traffic light, see the Governor's Mansion on your right, and see the tower of the State Capitol building above the treetops of the Arsenal Museum.

Immediately after you pass the Governor's Mansion, you will cross a small bridge over the Capitol Lake.

Continue on that two way road until you reach N. 3rd St.

Bear left on N. 3rd St until the road reaches Spanish Town Rd.

Bear left again to find parking, which can be found along Spanish Town Rd and N. 5th St (Capitol Gardens).

Also, if at Exit 1-E you go towards the DOTD (instead of Capitol Access Rd), go to the DOTD light and take a left, staying on the ramp until North St. Then turn right and travel towards downtown until you reach Third street. Next, take a right and continue down to the State Capitol, on the right.

### Parking

- Take capitol access road, which turns into capitol lake and then back into capitol access road. At that stop sign go straight into that parking lot.
- River Road levee parking lot: a paved, open-air lot on the levee located in front of The Capitol Park Welcome Center, directly across River Road.
  - Please exercise extreme care when crossing River Road on your way to The State Capitol.
- The Welcome Center Parking Garage: located at the corner of North Street and River Road.

### Entering the Capitol

- Enter through the capitol main entrance (front doors at the top of the steps) or the side doors (ground level below the main steps) and proceed through security.
- Please limit items that may set off a metal detector/x-ray machine or call for a detailed bag search (such as extra jewelry and large bags). This will delay your entry into the Capitol.
- No weapons of any kind are allowed inside the Capitol building.

#### Amenities

- Restrooms and vending machines are available near the elevators in the foyer of the ground floor.
- Water fountains are available in Bigby Hall.

• If you are in an overflow room in the basement level (Committee Rooms 3 – 6 in Alario Hall), restrooms and water fountains are available in the hallway.

## HOUSE/SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- Please place ALL cell phones and other electronic devices on vibrate mode; you may take phone calls in the hallway only, not in committee rooms.
- No food or drinks are allowed in committee rooms.

# To Register Support Or Opposition

- You do not have to speak in committee to register your support or opposition to a bill.
- Use the witness cards green for support and red for opposition to indicate your position and whether you would like to testify by checking the appropriate box.
- These witness cards are available in the committee room and overflow rooms on the witness tables. Carefully read, fill out, and sign the back of the witness card. If you wish to speak, please check the appropriate box on the card.
- Please return completed cards to the designated staff member or sergeant-at-arms.
- <u>Important Note:</u> You must fill out a separate card for each bill you are supporting/opposing. Your comments are important. They will be made part of the permanent public record.

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The House Education Committee will meet in House Committee Room 1 which is on the ground floor in Bigby Hall.

- If you enter the building through the main entrance, take the elevator or stairs down one floor and enter Bigby Hall on your left.
- During the reconvened (afternoon) session of the Education Committee, you can also watch the committee proceedings from overflow rooms. The House sergeant-at-arms will direct you.