

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2025 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to Engrossed House Bill No. 528 by Representative Bourriaque

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert "R.S. 36:501(C)(1), 502(A) and (B), 505,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, at the end of line 4, after "508(H)" insert "and (I),"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 5, delete "through (K), and 508.2(G) through (I)," and insert "508.5, and 508.6,"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 15, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and insert "R.S. 36:501(C)(1), 502(A) and (B), 505,"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 2, after "508(H)" and before "are" delete "through (K), and 508.2(G) through (I)" and insert "and (I), 508.5, and 508.6"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, delete lines 18 through 24 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 4, delete lines 2 through 28 in their entirety

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 5, line 4, after "transformation" and before the period "." insert "in accordance with civil service rules"

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 5, line 5, after "the" and before "Louisiana" insert "office of"

AMENDMENT NO. 10

On page 5, line 6, delete "Authority"

AMENDMENT NO. 11

On page 5, line 15, after "secretary" delete the remainder of the line and insert a period "."

AMENDMENT NO. 12

On page 5, delete line 16 in its entirety

1 AMENDMENT NO. 13

2 On page 5, line 17, delete "authority of the department, except that of the office of the
3 secretary."

4 AMENDMENT NO. 14

5 On page 6, delete lines 3 through 7 in their entirety and insert the following:

6 "§506. Undersecretary; functions; office of management and finance"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 15

8 On page 6, line 18, after "(2)" delete the remainder of the line

9 AMENDMENT NO. 16

10 On page 6, delete line 19 in its entirety

11 AMENDMENT NO. 17

12 On page 6, at the beginning of line 20, delete "operating budget."

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14 AMENDMENT NO. 18

15 On page 8, line 2, after "governor," delete the remainder of the line and insert "which salary
16 shall not exceed the amount approved for such position by the legislature while in session."

17 AMENDMENT NO. 19

18 On page 8, delete lines 3 and 4 in their entirety

19 AMENDMENT NO. 20

20 On page 8, line 13, after "G." delete the remainder of the line

21 AMENDMENT NO. 21

22 On page 8, line 14, delete "duties, or responsibilities to classified subordinates."

23 AMENDMENT NO. 22

24 On page 8, delete lines 19 through 28 in their entirety

25 AMENDMENT NO. 23

26 On page 9, delete lines 1 and 2 in their entirety

27 AMENDMENT NO. 24

28 On page 9, at the beginning of line 3, change "J." to "H."

29 AMENDMENT NO. 25

30 On page 9, at the beginning of line 6, change "K." to "I."

31 AMENDMENT NO. 26

32 On page 11, delete lines 4 through 28 in their entirety

1 AMENDMENT NO. 27

2 On page 12, delete lines 1 through 13 in their entirety

3 AMENDMENT NO. 28

4 On page 12, line 18, after "project" change "management" to "delivery"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 29

6 On page 12, line 26, after "project" change "management" to "delivery"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 30

8 On page 12, after line 27, insert the following:

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10 "§508.5. Office of transformation; functions; powers and duties

11 A. There is hereby created within the Department of Transportation and
12 Development the office of transformation which shall operate under the direction and
13 supervision of the deputy secretary. The purpose of this office shall be to implement
14 strategies and initiatives designed to enhance operational efficiency within the
15 department.

16 B. The office of transformation shall be charged with the execution and
17 administration of all statutory mandates enacted during the 2025 Regular Session of
18 the Legislature, as they pertain to the department.

19 C. In addition to its other duties, the office of transformation shall implement
20 the following measures for the purpose of improving efficiency within the
21 department:

22 (1) Develop, implement, and evaluate annually Key Performance Indicators
23 (KPI's). At a minimum, the strategic goals of these KPI's, shall focus on asset
24 management, workforce efficiency, innovation, safety, and stakeholder customer
25 services no later than January 1, 2026.

26 (2) Develop and implement a quantitative methodology for the prioritization
27 of capacity projects. This methodology shall account for the measurable benefits of
28 each project, including but not limited to anticipated impacts on economic
29 development, and shall serve as a basis for the systematic ranking and scheduling of
30 project delivery.

31 (3) Develop standardized project selection templates for use across the
32 department's various programs. The templates shall identify the necessary data
33 elements and evaluation criteria required for the identification, assessment, and
34 prioritization of departmental projects in a consistent and objective manner.

35 (4) Identify routine pavement preservation projects that are appropriate for
36 management and execution solely by the department's district personnel. Upon such
37 identification, responsibility for the implementation of said projects shall be
38 transferred to the respective district offices, with the goal of enhancing operational
39 efficiency and localized project delivery.

40 (5) Identify and implement opportunities to outsource routine maintenance
41 activities in order to more effectively provide safety-critical repair and maintenance
42 of the state highway system in a timely manner.

43 D. The provisions of this Section shall expire on January 1, 2026, unless
44 reauthorized by the legislature prior to such date.

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46 §508.6. Departmental reform; directive and authority to restructure and organize

47 A. The Department of Transportation and Development is hereby directed
48 to fully leverage the office of transformation to hold each office of the department
49 accountable to optimize the respective functions under the direction of the deputy
50 secretary.

51 B. The office of transformation shall be charged with implementing
52 comprehensive reforms enacted by the legislature during the 2025 Regular Session

1 and shall be obligated to notify the legislature of any conflicting laws or other issues
2 that impede the department's ability to comply with the reform measures.

3 C.(1) By fiscal year 2026-2027, it shall be the charge of the office of
4 transformation to have established and empowered a central Department of
5 Transportation and Development data management role and program, for
6 implementation of a data asset management process, documented and formalized for
7 key products, implemented modern standard data architecture, tools, and practices;
8 for centralized data management and analytics, and enabled collaboration by default.

9 (2) Alternatively, the department shall examine best practices to develop and
10 implement a state-of-the-art internal information system that conveniently and
11 accurately monitors the status of its functions statewide.

12 D. The department shall have enacted comprehensive, department wide
13 reforms of the access permit process to include the policy, administrative code,
14 engineering directives and standards manual, and online application processes by
15 June 30, 2026.

16 E. The department shall modernize and reform project development and
17 execution across the entire department to stabilize letting and to remit payments to
18 vendors and contractors on a bi-monthly basis, consistent with the terms of its
19 contracts, no later than June 30, 2026."