

**40th JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

NO. C-85336

DIV. A

**RURAL ROOTS LOUISIANA, HARRY JOSEPH SR.,
and LOUISIANA BUCKET BRIGADE,**

Plaintiffs,

VERSUS

THE PORT OF SOUTH LOUISIANA,

Defendant.

**PLAINTIFFS' VERIFIED MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER
AND PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

NOW INTO COURT, through undersigned counsel, come Rural Roots Louisiana, Harry Joseph Sr., and the Louisiana Bucket Brigade (collectively, "Plaintiffs"), who respectfully move this Honorable Court for a Temporary Restraining Order, pursuant to La. C.C.P. art. 3601 *et seq*, to:

- 1) Order the Port of South Louisiana to remove or defer its proposed bond issuance from the agenda of the State Bond Commission meeting scheduled for **Thursday, Sept. 17, 2026**; and
- 2) After due proceedings had, issue a preliminary injunction maintaining that restraint pending the adjudication of the issues in this litigation.

Such an order is necessary to preserve the status quo until the issues in this litigation can be fully adjudicated.

In further support, Plaintiffs respectfully show:

1. Plaintiffs commenced this action on April 2, 2026, seeking a declaratory judgment as to the legal validity of the public notice the Port claimed to have published in the *L'Observateur* of its decision to preliminarily issue up to \$400 million in bonds and \$40 million in bond anticipation notes to fund the construction of a deepwater dock facility in Ascension Parish.

2. Subsequently, Plaintiffs learned that no notice had been published in *L'Observateur* at all, despite an affidavit provided by the Port attesting to the contrary, and sought leave to supplement their petition with that fact and an additional claim. The Port argued, *inter alia*, that the matter was moot because it had published notice *after* Plaintiffs sought leave to supplement the Petition and nearly a year after the Port Commission made the decision to preliminarily authorize the bonds.

3. There is no dispute that *L'Observateur* does not have a circulation in Ascension Parish and that residents in Ascension Parish have not received formal legal notice of the Port's preliminary decision to issue bonds to construct a major dock facility in West Ascension.

4. On August 31, 2026, after a hearing on the Plaintiffs' motion, the Court granted leave to supplement.

5. On Monday, Sept. 14, 2026, Plaintiffs learned that the Port's bond issuance has been placed on the agenda of the Louisiana State Bond Commission for consideration at its meeting scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 17, 2026. State Bond Commission Agenda, Item 61 (L26-302), annexed hereto as Exhibit A.

6. Before seeking this emergency relief, by email sent at 12:31 p.m. Monday, Sept. 14, 2026, Plaintiffs' counsel notified counsel for the Port of their intention to seek a TRO and requested that the Port voluntarily request removal or deferral of the bond item from the State Bond Commission Agenda pending adjudication of the issues in this matter. Given the time sensitivity, Plaintiffs' counsel asked the Port's counsel to advise by 4 p.m. the same day. Email from P. Spees to P. Butler, et al, Sept. 14, 2026, annexed hereto as Exhibit B.

7. The Port's counsel replied shortly before 4 p.m. that the Port "strenuously objects to any injunctive relief... specifically in connection with the Port's ability to issue bonds or securities related to the financing of the subject project" and asked that Plaintiffs notify the Court that the Port wants to appear at any hearing or conversations concerning the Court's consideration of the application for the TRO. Letter from P. Butler to P. Spees, Sept. 14, 2026, annexed hereto as Exhibit C.

8. Counsel's letter also advised that the Port's request to place the matter on the on the Bond Commission's agenda had already occurred before the hearing on August 31, 2026, concerning Plaintiffs' supplemental pleading.

9. State Bond Commission approval would materially advance the very bond transaction that is underlying the Port's action challenged in this litigation and would alter the status quo presently before this Court.

10. Unless restrained, the Port intends to proceed with its request for State Bond Commission approval before this Court has had an opportunity to adjudicate Plaintiffs' claims concerning the validity of the Port's actions and public notice requirements, including the legal effect of no publication of the proceedings until nearly a year after the meeting where the decision to preliminarily authorize the bonds was made.

11. Plaintiffs therefore seek narrowly tailored relief maintaining the status quo only until this Court can conduct a contradictory hearing on Plaintiff's request for a preliminary injunction.

12. Plaintiffs also ask that a nominal bond be set of no more than \$100, in light of the public interest nature of this litigation and the constitutional and statutory rights at issue, in addition to the limited duration and narrowly tailored relief sought and the absence of any demonstrated monetary injury to Defendant resulting from a brief deferral of State Bond Commission consideration.

13. For the reasons set forth more fully in the accompanying Memorandum in Support, immediate relief is necessary to prevent irreparable injury before Plaintiffs' request for a preliminary injunction can be heard.

14. Plaintiffs further request that a nominal bond be set in light of the limited duration and narrowly tailored nature of the requested restraint and the absence of any demonstrated monetary injury to Defendant resulting from a brief deferral of State Bond Commission consideration

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court:

- A. Issue a Temporary Restraining Order restraining the Port of South Louisiana, its officers, agents, employees, and/or counsel, from seeking, presenting, obtaining,

- accepting, or otherwise taking action to secure State Bond Commission approval of the bond issuance challenged herein, including by directing the Port to request removal or deferral of the item presently scheduled for consideration by the State Bond Commission at its September 17th, 2026 meeting, pending further order of this Court;
- B. Set Plaintiffs' application for preliminary injunction for hearing at the earliest time permitted by law;
- C. Following contradictory hearing, issue a preliminary injunction maintaining the foregoing restraint pending further order or judgment of this Court;
- D. Fix a nominal security pursuant to La. C.C.P. art. 3610 in the amount of \$100 or such such other amount as the Court deems appropriate, in light of the limited duration and narrowly tailored nature of the requested restraint and the absence of any demonstrated monetary injury to Defendant resulting from a brief deferral of State Bond Commission consideration; and
- E. Grant Plaintiffs all other equitable and appropriate relief.

Respectfully submitted,



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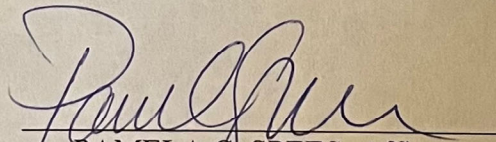
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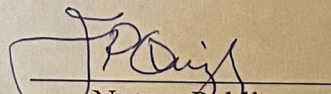
VERIFICATION

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally came and appeared, Pamela C. Spees, who, after being duly sworn, did depose and say that she is attorney for the Plaintiffs in the above-captioned civil action, that she has read the foregoing Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and that all of the allegations contained therein are true and correct to the best of her knowledge and belief.

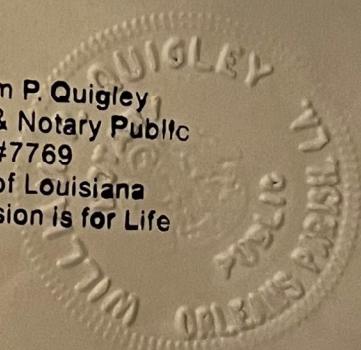
She further affirms that all exhibits annexed to the Motion are true and correct copies of the documents referenced.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, the undersigned Notary Public, this 14 day of September, 2026.


PAMELA C. SPEES, Affiant

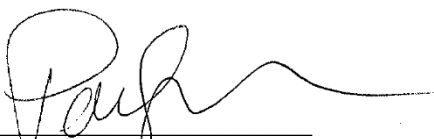

Notary Public

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Motion and Application for Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction, together with the accompanying Memorandum, supporting affidavit, and proposed order, was served upon all counsel of record by electronic mail on September 15, 2026.


PAMELA C. SPEES

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO LA. C.C.P. ART. 3603

Pursuant to La. C.C.P. art. 3603, undersigned counsel certifies that on September 14, 2026, at approximately 12:31 p.m., counsel notified counsel for the Port of South Louisiana by electronic mail that Plaintiffs intended to seek immediate temporary injunctive relief concerning the Port's State Bond Commission agenda item. Plaintiffs further requested that the Port voluntarily request removal or deferral of the item from the State Bond Commission agenda so that this Court could consider the matter before the proposed bond transaction proceeded further.

The Port declined that request and asked that Plaintiffs notify the Court that it “strenuously objects to the issuance of any injunctive relief... specifically, in connection with the Port’s ability to issue bonds or securities related to the financing of the subject project.” The Port also intends and requests to participate in any related hearings or conversations with the Court concerning the request.

Because the State Bond Commission is scheduled to consider the matter on Thursday, Sept. 17, 2026, there is insufficient time to conduct an ordinary contradictory hearing before the threatened action occurs. Plaintiffs therefore respectfully request immediate consideration of the application for temporary restraining order.

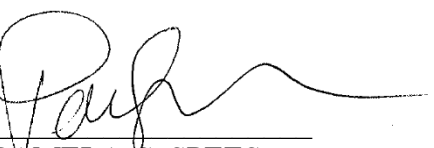

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Exhibit A



PRELIMINARY NOTICE AND AGENDA
STATE BOND COMMISSION
September 17, 2026
9:00 A.M. - Senate Committee Room A-B
State Capitol Building

1. Call to order and roll call.
2. Approval of the minutes of the August 20, 2026 meeting.

LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - ELECTIONS (DECEMBER 12, 2026)

3. **L26-241 - Allen Parish, Recreation District No. 6** - 5.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, maintaining, operating and improving recreational facilities.
4. **L26-292 - Allen Parish School Board, School District No. 5** - Not exceeding \$14,000,000 General Obligation Bonds, not exceeding 7%, not exceeding 20 years, financing capital expenditures, including acquiring, constructing and/or improving schools and other school related facilities, together with equipment and furnishings.
5. **L26-255 - Avoyelles Parish, Town of Mansura** - 1% sales tax, 25 years, beginning July 1, 2027, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating sewers and sewerage disposal facilities, acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating police and fire protection facilities and equipment, improving, and maintaining streets and drainage facilities, any other lawful corporate purposes, and funding into bonds.
6. **L26-269 - Caddo Parish, Fire District No. 5** - (1) Not exceeding \$75 service charge, 10 years, 2027-2036, fire protection, including emergency medical transportation and all emergency medical services, acquiring, constructing, maintaining and operating fire protection facilities and equipment, including paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes and salaries of firemen; (2) Not exceeding \$50 service charge, 10 years, 2027-2036, fire protection, including emergency medical transportation and all emergency medical services, acquiring, constructing, maintaining and operating fire protection facilities and equipment, including paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes and salaries of firemen.
7. **L26-297 - Calcasieu Parish, City of Lake Charles** - (1) Not exceeding 2.31 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, maintenance of public buildings, streets and bridges; (2) Not exceeding 1.70 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, maintenance of playgrounds and recreation centers and equipment; (3) Not exceeding 5.27 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, maintaining pay increases and starting salaries previously authorized for employees of the Police, Fire, Public Works, and other departments and maintenance of a Police Department three platoon system.
8. **L26-239 - Calcasieu Parish, Community Center and Playground District No. 4, Ward 1** - Not exceeding 5.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining and operating public buildings, community centers including parks, playgrounds, recreation centers and libraries, together with the necessary furnishings and equipment and constructing and improving recreational facilities.
9. **L26-238 - Calcasieu Parish, Fire Protection District No. 1, Ward 7** - 10.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining and operating existing fire protection facilities including obtaining water for fire protection and fire hydrant rentals and service, maintaining and repairing fire trucks and purchasing, maintaining and repairing other fire fighting equipment.
10. **L26-298 - Calcasieu Parish, Fire Protection District No. 3, Ward 4** - 6.02 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining and operating fire protection facilities.

11. **L26-266 - Caldwell Parish Police Jury - (1)** 2.13 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining, operating and supporting a public health unit; **(2)** 3.31 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, promote economic development through funding of programs for the encouragement of the location of industries and businesses and encouragement of additions to existing industries and businesses.
12. **L26-242 - Catahoula Parish Law Enforcement District -** 15.72 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, providing additional funding.
13. **L26-268 - Claiborne Parish, Village of Athens -** ½% sales tax, 4 years, beginning April 1, 2027, maintenance and operations of the Police Department.
14. **L26-256 - Concordia Parish, Consolidated Recreation District No. 1 -** 3.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating recreational facilities, including lands, buildings and equipment.
15. **L26-245 - Concordia Parish, Consolidated Recreation District No. 2 -** 6.2 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining and operating recreational facilities.
16. **L26-243 - DeSoto Parish, Waterworks District No. 1 -** 1.06 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining, operating and improving the waterworks system, including property, equipment and facilities.
17. **L26-281 - East Baton Rouge Parish, City of Baton Rouge -** 0.87 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, provide funds to enable the City to provide a three-platoon police system.
18. **L26-282 - East Baton Rouge Parish, Metropolitan Council of the Parish of East Baton Rouge and City of Baton Rouge, Brownsfield Fire Protection District No. 3 -** 5.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2029-2038, development, operation and maintenance of fire protection facilities and obtaining water for fire protection purposes, including charges for fire hydrant rentals and service.
19. **L26-280 - East Baton Rouge Parish, Metropolitan Council of the Parish of East Baton Rouge and City of Baton Rouge, Chaneyville Fire Protection District No. 7 -** 10.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, development, operation and maintenance of fire protection facilities and obtaining water for fire protection purposes, including charges for fire hydrant rentals and service.
20. **L26-279 - East Baton Rouge Parish, Metropolitan Council of the Parish of East Baton Rouge and City of Baton Rouge, Pride Fire Protection District No. 8 -** 15.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, development, operation and maintenance of fire protection facilities and obtaining water for fire protection purposes, including charges for fire hydrant rentals and service.
21. **L26-224 - East Baton Rouge Parish, St. George Fire Protection District No. 2 -** 6.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, development, operation and maintenance of the fire protection facilities, equipment and personnel.
22. **L26-249 - Franklin Parish Police Jury - (1)** 11.17 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, construction, maintenance and operation of and purchase of equipment for the drainage system; **(2)** 4.07 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, operation and maintenance of the Parish Courthouse; **(3)** 8.14 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining, operating and purchasing equipment; **(4)** 4.27 mills tax, 10 years, 2029-2038, purchasing, operating and maintaining road equipment and salary adjustments for Parish employees; **(5)** ½% sales tax, 10 years, beginning December 1, 2028, solid waste collection and disposal.
23. **L26-289 - Franklin Parish School Board, School District -** 15.51 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, renovating, improving, operating, repairing, and/or supporting schools and school related facilities, equipment and programs.
24. **L26-263 - Jefferson Davis Parish, City of Jennings -** 8.96 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, improving and maintaining public streets, parks and bridges.

25. **L26-261 - Jefferson Davis Parish, Gravity Drainage District No. 7** - 5.23 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, improving, maintaining and operating gravity drainage works.
26. **L26-262 - Jefferson Davis Parish, Welsh Gravity Drainage District No. 1** - 5.72 mills tax, 20 years, 2028-2047, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating gravity drainage works.
27. **L26-258 - Jefferson Parish, City of Gretna** - 5.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, fire protection in voting precincts G-001 through G-011 but excluding voting precincts G-012 and G-013 Part (the annexed Timberlane Subdivision area).
28. **L26-275 - Lafayette Parish, City of Lafayette** - **(1)** 2.01 mills tax, 10 years, 2029-2038, maintaining and operating the playgrounds, recreation centers and other recreation activities; **(2)** 1.18 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining and operating public buildings; **(3)** 1.35 mills tax, 10 years, 2029-2038, maintenance of public streets, roads and alleys; **(4)** 3.33 mills tax, 30 years, 2028-2057, operating, maintaining and supporting the Police and Fire Departments, including pension and retirement liabilities.
29. **L26-276 - Lafayette Parish Council** - **(1)** Not exceeding \$77,000,000 General Obligation Bonds, not exceeding 7%, not exceeding 30 years, constructing, acquiring and improving public infrastructure, including public roads, highways and bridges, and related drainage to address commuter congestion; **(2)** 3.12 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, maintenance and support of the public library and its branches; **(3)** 2.21 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining, operating and improving the minimum security detention and correctional facility; **(4)** 1.25 mills tax, 10 years, 2029-2038, acquiring, improving, operating and maintaining the juvenile detention and juvenile rehabilitation facilities; **(5)** 2.51 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, maintaining, operating and improving the Lafayette Parish Courthouse Complex.
30. **L26-251 - Lafourche Parish Council** - 2.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, funding senior citizens' programs and services administered by the Lafourche Council on Aging, Inc./Area Agency on Aging, including administrative costs, and acquiring, constructing, improving and maintaining buildings and facilities for their use.
31. **L26-284 - Lafourche Parish Council** - **(1)** 1.67 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining or operating the Lafourche Parish Public Library and its branches; **(2)** 4.11 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, acquiring, constructing, maintaining and/or operating the Lafourche Parish Public Library and its branches, including automation and other equipment, library books and materials and furnishings.
32. **L26-252 - LaSalle Parish Police Jury** - 1% sales tax, 10 years, beginning April 1, 2027, constructing, improving, operating and maintaining public roads and bridges.
33. **L26-253 - LaSalle Parish Police Jury, Road District No. 3** - 4.74 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, road and bridge construction and maintenance.
34. **L26-265 - Madison Parish Assessment District** - 1.5 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, support the financing of the Assessor's Office.
35. **L26-287 - Ouachita Parish Police Jury, Consolidated Road Lighting District No. 52** - \$75.00 service charge, plus a collection charge of \$3.75, 10 years, 2027-2036, paying utility charges, maintenance and operation costs for road lighting facilities and equipment.
36. **L26-259 - Rapides Parish, Town of Lecompte** - ½% sales tax, rededicating proceeds heretofore and hereafter, in perpetuity, acquiring, constructing, improving, operating, and maintaining community and recreational facilities.
37. **L26-267 - Sabine Parish, Fire Protection District No. 1, Wards 1 and 2** - 10.24 mills tax, 10 years, 2029-2038, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating fire protection facilities, purchasing, operating and maintaining fire trucks and other firefighting equipment and emergency equipment, obtaining water for fire protection purposes and salaries for firemen.

38. **L26-246 - St. John the Baptist Parish School Board, School District No. 1** - (1) Not exceeding 4.33 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, operating and maintaining its educational system and buildings and other facilities; (2) 8.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2029-2038, providing additional support to the public elementary and secondary schools, dedicating 1.0 mill for paying unfunded obligations for health benefits for retired employees and to establish a trust fund to the extent permitted by law, 4.0 mills for salaries and benefits of teachers and other employees and 3.0 mills for implementing a written plan for academic school improvements.
39. **L26-240 - St. Mary Parish, Recreation District No. 4** - 2.20 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, maintaining, operating and improving recreational facilities.
40. **L26-278 - St. Tammany Parish, City of Covington** - Not exceeding \$4,700,000 General Obligation Bonds, not exceeding 6%, not exceeding 20 years, capital improvements, including but not limited to constructing, renovating, acquiring, and/or improving roads, street and bridges, public buildings, parks and recreational facilities, drains and drainage facilities, public safety facilities, and sewerage collection and treatment, including acquiring all necessary land, equipment and furnishings.
41. **L26-283 - St. Tammany Parish, City of Slidell** - (1) Amend Article III, Section 3-04.C and Article IV, Section 4-05.H of the Home Rule Charter regarding vacancies in the office of Mayor and Chief of Police and the timing for filling the vacancies; (2) Amend Article VII, Section 7-08.A of the Home Rule Charter to add chief administrative officer of the Police Department to the list of employees exempted from the Civil Service Team; (3) Amend Article VII, Section 7-08.A of the Home Rule Charter to add the assistant chief of police of the Police Department to the list of employees exempt from the Civil Service Team; (4) Amend Article VII, Section 7-08.A of the Home Rule Charter to add any assistant department head to the list of employees exempt from the Civil Service Team; (5) Amend Article IV, Section 4-05.C of the Home Rule Charter regarding residency requirement for candidates for Chief of Police; (6) Amend Article VII, Section 7-08.C.2 and 3 of the Home Rule Charter to replace the Louisiana Civil Service League and provide for appointments to the Civil Service Board; (7) Amend Article V, Section 5-09 of the Home Rule Charter to clarify the city's ability to finance its operations.
42. **L26-254 - Tensas Parish Law Enforcement District** - (1) 11.8 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, operating the Tensas Parish Sheriff's Office; (2) 10.44 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, operating the Tensas Parish Detention Center.
43. **L26-260 - Terrebonne Parish, Recreation District No. 1** - 7.0 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating recreational facilities, including the purchase of equipment.
44. **L26-257 - Washington Parish, Fire Protection District No. 1** - (1) 7.75 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating fire protection facilities and equipment, including the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes; (2) 4.58 mills tax, 10 years, 2027-2036, acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating fire protection facilities and equipment, including the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes.
45. **L26-247 - Webster Parish, Dubberly Fire Protection District No. 4** - 11.04 mills tax, 10 years, 2029-2038, acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating fire protection facilities and equipment, including the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes, and all purposes incidental.
46. **L26-248 - Webster Parish, Heflin Fire Protection District** - 15.87 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining or operating fire protection facilities and equipment.
47. **L26-250 - West Carroll Parish Police Jury** - 4.78 mills tax, 10 years, 2028-2037, constructing, maintaining, operating, improving and extending library facilities and services.

LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS - EMERGENCY ELECTIONS (DECEMBER 12, 2026)

48. **L26-303 - St. John the Baptist Parish Council** - Not exceeding \$60,000,000 General Obligation Bonds, not exceeding 6%, not exceeding 20 years, constructing, acquiring and improving the waterworks and wastewater systems and making other public improvements.
49. **L26-244 - Webster Parish School Board, Consolidated School District No. 3** - 25.21 mills tax, rededicate proceeds heretofore and hereafter through 2037, providing additional support, including acquiring, constructing, repairing, improving, maintaining and/or operating schools and school related facilities, equipment and programs, including providing a school resource officer (SRO), which shall be a commissioned law enforcement officer at each school to provide enhanced security.
50. **L26-273 - Webster Parish, Town of Sarepta** - 2% sales tax, to be levied in perpetuity, beginning April 1, 2027, any lawful corporate purposes, and funding into bonds for capital improvements.

LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS - CASH FLOW BORROWINGS

51. **L26-225 - East Baton Rouge Parish, St. George Fire Protection District No. 2** - Not exceeding \$12,500,000 Revenue Anticipation Notes, not exceeding 7%, mature no later than April 1, 2027, current operations.
52. **L26-236 - East Feliciana Parish School Board, School District No. 1** - Not exceeding \$2,000,000 Revenue Anticipation Draw-Down Notes, not exceeding 6.5%, mature no later than September 30, 2027, paying expenses for the current fiscal year, including expenses related to the operation and maintenance of campuses and facilities.
53. **L26-286 - Livingston Parish Law Enforcement District** - Not exceeding \$6,000,000 Revenue Anticipation Notes, not exceeding 6%, mature no later than July 1, 2027, current operations.
54. **L26-277 - Morehouse Parish, Hospital Service District No. 1** - Not exceeding \$2,500,000 Revenue Anticipation Notes, not exceeding 6%, mature no later than August 31, 2027, current expenses.
55. **L26-294 - Plaquemines Parish Law Enforcement District** - Not exceeding \$1,000,000 Certificate of Indebtedness, not exceeding 6%, mature no later than June 30, 2027, current expenses.

LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS - LOANS

56. **L26-290 - St. Landry Parish Council** - Not exceeding \$3,000,000 Revenue Notes, not exceeding 6%, not exceeding 5 years, current expenses.

LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS - BONDS - FINAL APPROVAL

57. **L26-299 - Avoyelles Parish School Board** - Not exceeding \$1,600,000 Sales Tax Bonds, not exceeding 6%, not exceeding 20 years, capital improvements to the public school system under the jurisdiction of the School Board, including equipment and fixtures.
58. **L26-208 - Claiborne Parish, Town of Haynesville (DEQ Project)** - Not exceeding \$3,000,000 Taxable Wastewater System Revenue Bonds, not exceeding 0.95%, not exceeding 20 years, acquisition, construction and installation of improvements and replacements to the wastewater system, including improvements to existing lift stations, sewer mains, manholes and a wastewater treatment plant.
59. **L26-209 - Claiborne Parish, Town of Haynesville (DEQ Project)** - Not exceeding \$1,000,000 Taxable Water System Revenue Bonds, not exceeding 0.95%, not exceeding 20 years, acquisition, construction and installation of improvements and replacements to the waterworks system, including the replacement of the existing water meters.

60. **L26-271 - Jefferson Parish Council, Consolidated Sewerage District No. 1 (DEQ Project)** - Not exceeding \$20,000,000 Taxable Sewer Revenue Bonds, not exceeding 22 years, not exceeding 1%, construction of a new lift station at Hillcrest and Shawn Drive, replacement of 900HP pumps at Eastbank Wastewater Treatment Plant, funding for an Inflow and Infiltration Pipe Replacement Program and funding a debt service reserve fund, if required.

PORT, HARBOR AND/OR TERMINAL DISTRICTS

61. **L26-302 - Port of South Louisiana (Hyundai Steel Project/FastSites Program)** - Not exceeding \$400,000,000 Lease Revenue Bonds, approximately \$385,000,000 not exceeding 9% fixed rate or 12% variable rate, not exceeding 40 years, and retroactive approval of approximately \$15,000,000 non-interest bearing, mature no later than November 1, 2031, acquiring, constructing, improving, equipping, and furnishing facilities consisting of a dock, wharfage, conveyor belt, and other facilities used or useful in connection with one or more heavy manufacturing industrial facilities and funding debt service, capitalized interest, and other reserves, if required.

POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS - BONDS

62. **S26-026 - Louisiana Community Development Authority (East Feliciana Gas Utility District No. 2 Project)** - Not exceeding \$15,500,000 Revenue Bonds, not exceeding 6%, not exceeding 10 years, financing the replacement of aging and failing polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipes with polyethylene (PE) pipes in the natural gas transmission system, including, but not limited to, pipeline modernization and interim safety enhancement measures.

POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS - OTHER

63. **S26-021 - Ernest N. Morial - New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority** - Approval of the obligations contained in the Hotel Development Agreement and its amendments between the Ernest N. Morial - New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority, Omni Hotels Development Company, LLC, and TRT New Orleans QOZ Sub, LP, pursuant to which the Authority will fund \$80,000,000 towards the development, construction, and operation of a new convention center headquarters hotel in New Orleans, and guaranty a not exceeding \$120,000,000 payment of tax incentives, less any amounts resulting from tax rebate agreements.
64. **S26-025 - Ernest N. Morial - New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority/Headquarters Hotel Subdistrict of the New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority Economic Growth and Development District** - Approval of the obligations contained in a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement among the Headquarters Hotel Subdistrict of the New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority Economic Growth and Development District, TRT New Orleans QOZ SUB, LP and the Ernest N. Morial - New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority that will provide for a pledge of tax increments collected within the boundaries of the Subdistrict of the Authority's 3% hotel occupancy tax, $\frac{3}{4}$ % food and beverage sales tax, and \$2 per room per night tax, and the Subdistrict's 2% sales tax and 2% hotel occupancy tax, for 45 years to reimburse project costs and support operation of a new approximately 1,000-room convention center headquarters hotel.

PUBLIC TRUSTS - FINAL APPROVAL

65. **S26-027 - Louisiana Public Facilities Authority (HYUNDAI-POSCO Louisiana Steel LLC Project)** - Not exceeding \$900,000,000 Exempt Facility Revenue Bonds (Volume Cap), not exceeding 12%, not exceeding 40 years, acquiring, constructing, developing and equipping of a recycled steel mill and related improvements, including equipment and other assets for the operations of the facility located in Donaldsonville, funding a reserve fund, if necessary, and paying capitalized interest.

RATIFICATIONS AND/OR AMENDMENTS TO PRIOR APPROVALS

66. **S23-050B - Louisiana Community Development Authority (Kenilworth Science and Technology Academy Project)** - Amendment of a prior approval granted on September 21, 2023, to provide for additional purposes of financing the acquisition, construction, renovation, equipping and furnishing of a K-12 public charter school and associated cost of issuance.

COST OF ISSUANCE REPORTINGS

67. **L21-283B - Bossier and Caddo Parishes, City of Shreveport** - Reporting on changes in cost of issuance.
68. **L22-261A - Lafayette Parish, City of Carencro** - Reporting on changes in cost of issuance.
69. **L26-120A - Pointe Coupee Parish Council, Consolidated Waterworks District No. 1** - Reporting on changes in cost of issuance.
70. **L26-137A - Livingston Parish Council** - Reporting on changes in cost of issuance.

LINES OF CREDIT

71. **Priority 1 - Cash - State Projects** - Resolution setting forth the official intent by the State Bond Commission to reimburse Lines of Credit expenditures with proceeds of General Obligation Bonds for requests submitted by the Office of the Commissioner, Division of Administration, Office of the Governor, for granting of lines of credit and authorization to issue General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$413,715,600 for State projects contained in Priority 1 of the current Capital Outlay Act (Act 4 of the 2026 Regular Session) and listed in the attached exhibit.
72. **Priority 1 - Cash - Non-State Projects - Local Governments** - Resolution setting forth the official intent by the State Bond Commission to reimburse Lines of Credit expenditures with proceeds of General Obligation Bonds for requests submitted by the Office of the Commissioner, Division of Administration, Office of the Governor, for granting of lines of credit and authorization to issue General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$162,380,556 for Non-State Local Government projects contained in Priority 1 of the current Capital Outlay Act (Act 4 of the 2026 Regular Session) and listed in the attached exhibit.
73. **Priority 1 - Cash - Non-State Projects - Non-Government Organizations** - Resolution setting forth the official intent by the State Bond Commission to reimburse Lines of Credit expenditures with proceeds of General Obligation Bonds for requests submitted by the Office of the Commissioner, Division of Administration, Office of the Governor, for granting of lines of credit and authorization to issue General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$32,784,462 for Non-State Non-Government Organization projects contained in Priority 1 of the current Capital Outlay Act (Act 4 of the 2026 Regular Session) and listed in the attached exhibit.
74. **Priority 5 - Non-Cash - State Projects** - Request submitted by the Office of the Commissioner, Division of Administration, Office of the Governor, for granting of Lines of Credit for which no cash expenditures will be made this fiscal year in the amount of \$1,203,529,737 for State projects contained in Priority 5 of the current Capital Outlay Act (Act 4 of the 2026 Regular Session) and listed in the attached exhibit.
75. **Priority 5 - Non-Cash - Non-State Projects - Local Governments** - Request submitted by the Office of the Commissioner, Division of Administration, Office of the Governor, for granting of Lines of Credit for which no cash expenditures will be made this fiscal year in the amount of \$674,322,510 for Non-State Local Government projects contained in Priority 5 of the current Capital Outlay Act (Act 4 of the 2026 Regular Session) and listed in the attached exhibit.

76. **Priority 5 - Non-Cash - Non-State Projects - Non-Government Organizations** - Request submitted by the Office of the Commissioner, Division of Administration, Office of the Governor, for granting of Lines of Credit for which no cash expenditures will be made this fiscal year in the amount of \$84,571,500 for Non-State Non-Government Organization projects contained in Priority 5 of the current Capital Outlay Act (Act 4 of the 2026 Regular Session) and listed in the attached exhibit.

STATE OF LOUISIANA

77. **S26-028 - State of Louisiana (Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Bonds)** - Discussion, consideration and authorization for the State Bond Commission staff, in conjunction with the State's Municipal Advisor, to proceed with the development of a plan of financing, inclusive but not limited to, solicitation for offers for bond counsel and underwriter, authorization of the review, evaluation and grading of bond counsel and underwriter by the evaluation team, and execution of a MOU with DOTD to authorize the engagement with the State's Municipal Advisor and other fees associated with the financing.

OTHER BUSINESS

78. **2027 State Bond Commission Meeting Dates** - Notification and approval of proposed 2027 State Bond Commission meeting and deadline dates. Monthly Reports.

79. **Monthly Reports**

80. **Adjourn**

If you have a disability and require a reasonable accommodation to fully participate in this meeting, please contact Kayla Kirby before Thursday, September 17, 2026, via email at kkirby@treasury.la.gov or by telephone at (225) 342-0040 to discuss your accessibility needs.

The public may submit comments electronically prior to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 16, 2026. All emails must be submitted to SBC-Application@treasury.la.gov and shall include the individual's name, entity/company represented (if applicable), title/position (if applicable), agenda item(s) and any comments on such item(s). All public comment will be included in the record for this meeting.

Notice is hereby further provided that the Commission may vote to hold an Executive Session on any agenda or other duly approved item that is exempted from discussion at an open meeting pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17.

Exhibit B



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Notice of Application for TRO and Request to Defer State Bond Commission Item

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Mon, Sep 14, 2026 at 12:31 PM

To: "Peter J. Butler, Jr." <Peter.Butler.Jr@bswllp.com>, "Kayla M. Jacob" <Kayla.Jacob@bswllp.com>, "Richard G. Passler" <Richard.Passler@bswllp.com>, Margaret Beyer <Margaret.Beyer@bswllp.com>, "B. Troy Villa" <Troy.Villa@bswllp.com>
Cc: quigley77 <quigley77@gmail.com>, Kayla Vinson <kvinson@ccrjustice.org>

Counsel:

We have learned that the Port's bond issuance is presently scheduled for consideration by the State Bond Commission this Thursday, Sept. 17, 2026.

You'll recall that Judge Fiffie explicitly asked whether there had been further action regarding the issuance and you assured him there was not. Given the claims presently pending before the Court concerning the legality of the Port's notice relating to this bond issuance, we request that the Port immediately agree to request removal or deferral of the item from the State Bond Commission agenda until the Court has had an opportunity to address the issues before it.

Please let us know by 4 pm Central today whether the Port will agree to do so voluntarily.

In the absence of such an agreement, Plaintiffs intend to seek a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction preserving the status quo and preventing the Port from proceeding with or seeking State Bond Commission approval of the bond issuance pending further order of the Court.

This email is also intended to provide notice of Plaintiffs' application for temporary restraining order pursuant to La. C.C.P. art. 3603, in the event we cannot reach agreement. We will of course provide you with the filed papers promptly upon filing.

Thank you.

Pam Spees

Exhibit C



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September 14, 2026

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RE: State Bond Commission

Dear Pam:

I have conferred with Bond counsel. Consistent with what you were told on August 31, the bonds have not been issued, have not been authorized, and the Port has not adopted any Resolution authorizing the issuance of them. That is all that was said August 31. The statement in your email about the Port's counsel representing that the Port had "nothing else to do with respect to the issuance of bonds" is simply not correct as we did not say anything to that effect. (I have a copy of the Transcript.) In any event, the Port's request to place the matter on the SBC agenda had already occurred as of August 31. Please do not make any misrepresentations to the Court.

For the record, the Port strenuously objects to the issuance of any injunctive relief, including any Temporary Restraining Order ("TRO") or preliminary injunction, against it in connection with the Hyundai project in general, and, specifically, in connection with the Port's ability to issue bonds or securities related to the financing of the subject project. If/when you present any application for Temporary Restraining Order to the Court, please notify the Court that the Port strenuously objects to such and that counsel for the Port wants to appear at any hearing or conversations concerning the Court's consideration of the application for TRO; undersigned counsel are available at any time to so appear. Counsel for the Port's telephone numbers are 504-584-5427, 504-495-5600, and/or 504-250-5440.

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September 14, 2026
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In addition, any bond to be posted regarding the issuance of any injunctive relief should not be less than the \$6.4 billion project cost because any injunctive relief could imperil the project.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Peter", is positioned above the printed name.

PETER J. BUTLER, JR