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La. Legislative Black Caucus Announces Legislative Session Positions

Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus has issued its Topics of Concern and their positions for the 2014 Regular Legislative Session.

The Caucus will support: restrictions on pay day lending practices; adjustments or delays on the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC); increased access to justice and aid in inmate rehabilitation; TOPS reform; Medicaid expansion; minimum wage increases; equal pay for women; Cost of Living Increase (COLA) and an increased Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) by 2.75 percent.

The Caucus has issued that it will oppose any further promotion of the death penalty and unnecessarily prolonged and raised penalties, bills that attempt to limit access to labor unions and the payment of dues, TOPS expansion and the repeal of Common Core Standards.

STATEMENT from chair:

Established in 1977, the primary purpose of the Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus is to raise the quality of life for those underrepresented, the indigent and working people through legislation, education and economic development.

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