LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF PRIVATE SECURITY EXAMINERS

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date:

July 24, 2025

Time:

10:00 AM

Location:

LSBPSE Headquarters

15703 Old Hammond Hwy. Baton Rouge, LA 70816

MINUTES

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Forrest Hise at 10:12 AM.

II. Roll Call

Committee Chair Hise asked Ms. Fisher to call the roll of the Legislative Committee.

Forrest Hise, Committee Chair	Present
Mark Leto	Present
Dynette Burke	Present
Jennifer King	Present

A quorum of the committee was determined.

Ms. Fisher recorded the meeting minutes.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Committee Chairman Forrest Hise led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Public Comment/Questions

No public comments were recorded at this time. No members of the public were present. Present for the meeting were the committee members and members of the agency staff Carl Saizan, Heather Mitchell, Stephanie Richardson, Logan Berthelot and recording secretary Julie Fisher.

V. Review and Approve Minutes for Legislative Committee Meeting on 06/24/25

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from the Legislative Committee Meeting on 6/24/25.

Motion by:

Ms. Burke

Seconded by:

Ms. King

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

VI. Update the committee on the meeting with Kathryn Vigrass

Executive Secretary Carl Saizan gave an update on the meeting with Kathryn Vigrass of the House Commerce Committee staff concerning what steps need to be taken to pursue law changes during the 2026 legislative session. We will be able to file all requested changes as one bill. This includes the four major points to be discussed later in this meeting.

There are two other pieces of legislation separate from our legislative rewrite for the upcoming session. We are introducing one concerning limitations of liability, and will be supporting the second, disarming of a security officer, which is being handled by Ochsner. Further discussion followed concerning the definition of a security officer because Ochsner security officers are proprietary and therefore not regulated by our agency, which concerns the committee.

The committee discussed proprietary vs. contract security and corporate structures where contracts are subcontracted to other entities. These issues are part of why we are developing the Security Officer Standards and Training (SOST); to raise the training standards of the industry.

VII. Review and discuss the current status of the rule promulgation by Lisa Henson

Heather Mitchell provided an update on the current rule promulgation, which is about 85% complete. The rules are being updated with the intent to give greater clarity to what is in statute, and to bring them into alignment with the statutes. The rules have been analyzed line by line and reorganized to bring clarity.

VIII. Review and discuss guard registrations, survey results and proposed revised legislation RS 37:3283A(3)

Logan Berthelot presented company owner survey results concerning guard registrations and renewals, and potential elective security officer trainings they would be interested in us developing in the future.

A lengthy discussion followed concerning the potential of holding the guards responsible for their initial registration, renewal, fee payments, training and administrative fines, as well as the timeframe for potential changes. Discussion also included what specifically needs to be changed in statute or rule to reflect the wanted changes. An agreement was not reached, and no motions were made.

IX. Review and discuss timeline for mandatory training in RS 37:3284B(1)

The elimination of the thirty- and sixty-day timeframe for required training was discussed in the previous agenda item.

X. Review and discuss appeal submissions to the Division of Administrative Law RS 17:407.45

Mr. Saizan discussed updating the appeals process to allow appeals to go before the division of administrative law in a fair and impartial hearing. These processes already exist in statute, but we would like to add reference to this statute in our laws.

XI. Review and discuss board member diversity RS 37:3273

Including members of adjacent industries on the board was discussed, including potential members from public service or the insurance industry, as well as what must happen legally to allow for these potential members fill at-large board seats.

Mr. Hise made motion to give the agency the authority to move forward with the proposals for the Division of Administration of Law RS 17:407.45 and Board Member Diversity RS 37:3273.

Motion by:

Mr. Hise

Seconded by:

Ms. King

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

Mr. Hise made motion give the agency the authority to move forward with the proposal to eliminate the 30- and 60-day time period to complete security officer training in statute RS 37:3284B(1) and adopt that training must be completed prior to the first work assignment.

Motion by:

Mr. Hise

Seconded by:

Ms. Burke

Ayes: 4

Navs: 0

The motion was carried.

Mr. Hise made motion to continue the inquiry into security officer accountability for registration and training, and to allow the agency to draft proposed language to present to the committee at the next meeting.

Motion by:

Mr. Hise

Seconded by:

Ms. Burke

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

XII. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motion by:

Mr. Hise

Seconded by:

Mr. Leto

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

The motion was carried.

Committee Chair Hise adjourned the meeting at 12:58 PM.

MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted,		
Julie Fisher	8/6/25	
Secretary/Recording Secretary	Date	
Minutes reviewed & approved by Board Committee Member vote on August 20, 2025. Approval affirmed below by signatures of Committee Chairman and Executive Secretary.		
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Carl F. Saizan, Jr., Executive Secretary	Date	