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Rare Veto Session to Consider 28 Bills Vetoed by JBE

# It's Liberal Gov. John Bel Edwards Vs. Conservative State Legislature

Transgender Sports, Gun Control, Privacy, Voting Integrity Will Be Tested at Session

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**BATON ROUGE** — Democratic Gov. John Bel Edwards has vetoed 28 bills passed by the Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, including 12 conservative bills authored by Republican legislators who oppose much of Edwards' agenda. Edwards raised eyebrows by vetoing these bills:

- To allow the Republican and Democratic parties to appoint poll watchers at each precinct and early voting site in the state.
- To prohibit private money from Mark Zuckerberg and others being used in elections by state and local election officials.
- To allow Louisiana citizens to carry weapons concealed on their person or property.
- To prohibit men who call themselves women from competing in women's sports.
- To prohibit vaccine status being listed on a person's Louisiana drivers' license.

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**LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC GOV. JOHN BEL EDWARDS** (left) and Rep. Blake Miguez, House Republican leader, appear headed for a showdown on Tuesday, July 20.

Plan of Government Changes

## Plan for 13th Metro Council Member Draws Opposition

**BATON ROUGE** — A series of public meetings is being held across East Baton Rouge Parish to gauge voters' reaction to far-ranging proposed changes in the City-Parish Plan of Government.

So far, one of the most significant changes — adding a 13th Metro councilman elected parishwide — doesn't seem to be getting much traction.

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## Rally to Override Vetoes Monday at Capitol

**BATON ROUGE** — The Republican Party of Louisiana is sponsoring an Override the Vetoes Rally at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, July 19 on the steps of the State Capitol in Baton Rouge. The Louisiana Legislature is expected to convene in

a Veto Session at 12 noon the next day, Tuesday, July 20.

Conservative leaders from across the state are expected at the rally, which is intended to draw attention to the Veto Session and the issues legislators will face.

Speakers will include Louis Gurvich, chairman of the Louisiana Republican Party; former Rep. Woody Jenkins, parish Republican chairman from East Baton Rouge, and legislators who authored bills that were vetoed.

## Plans for Hooper at Sullivan Move Forward

School Board Plans Administrative Office At Old Middle School

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**BATON ROUGE** — The southeast corner of Hooper at Sullivan roads has long been identified with the Central community. From 1880 until 2012, it was the site of Central School, then Central High School and finally Central Middle School.

Parts of the old Central Middle School were condemned in 1989 because of asbestos and roof leaks. However, the school continued to be used and wasn't torn down until the new state-of-the-art Central

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**CENTRAL SCHOOL SYSTEM OFFICES** — View of the proposed Administration building for the Central Community School System from the intersection of Hooper and Sullivan roads. Supt. Jason Fountain hopes to have the design complete and go out for bids by the end of 2021 with completion during 2022. The facility will include offices for 30 administrators and school board meeting room.