

Louisiana's Post-Election Chat

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Election Outcomes

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- Governor – re-elected
- House – 45 newly elected members out of 105.
- Senate – 20 newly elected members out of 39.
- All members elected to the 2020 – 2024 legislative term, including the Governor will be sworn in on January 13, 2020.
- [List of Members Elected for the 2020-2024 Term](#)



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Louisiana House District 69 - Paula Davis



Louisiana Senate District 16 - Dan Claitor



U.S. Congress District 6 - Garret Graves



U.S. Senator - Bill Cassidy

U.S. Senator - John Kennedy



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2020 Legislative Sessions

Organizational Session

January 13 – 15, 2020

- During this session, the election of officers and the organization of both chambers will occur.
- The Speaker of the House and the Senate President will be elected from respective chambers.
- The Speaker and Senate President then will select Standing Committee membership.



Source: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Louisiana_Senate_Chamber.jpg

Regular Session

March 9 – June 1, 2020

- Regular session takes place annually for the purposes of lawmaking and allocating funds.
- With 2020 being an event-numbered year, the session will last no more than 60 days and no new taxes, tax increases, exemptions, exclusions, deductions, credits, rebates, incentives, or abatements may be introduced or enacted.





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2020 Legislative Agenda

Healthy Restaurant Kids' Meals

Ensure the drink offered with a restaurant children's meal is a healthier option.



- **Sugary drinks** are the leading source of added sugars consumed by people living in the U.S.
- Nearly 75 percent of the top restaurant chains had **sugary drinks** on their **kids' menus** in 2016.
- When **sugary drinks** are included in **kids' meals**, it can result in more kids getting additional calories from **added sugars**.
- When **default options** are offered, most people are likely to stay with that option rather than choose something else.

Preemption (State Interference)

Protect local governments' ability to pass laws about issues that are important to their communities

- The threat of preemption **exists across many issues** – from nutrition to tobacco to housing.
- Preemption is often pushed by **special interest groups**.
- Experts with the National Academies of Medicine recommend **states set minimum standards for public health** and allow localities to go further to protect the health of their communities.

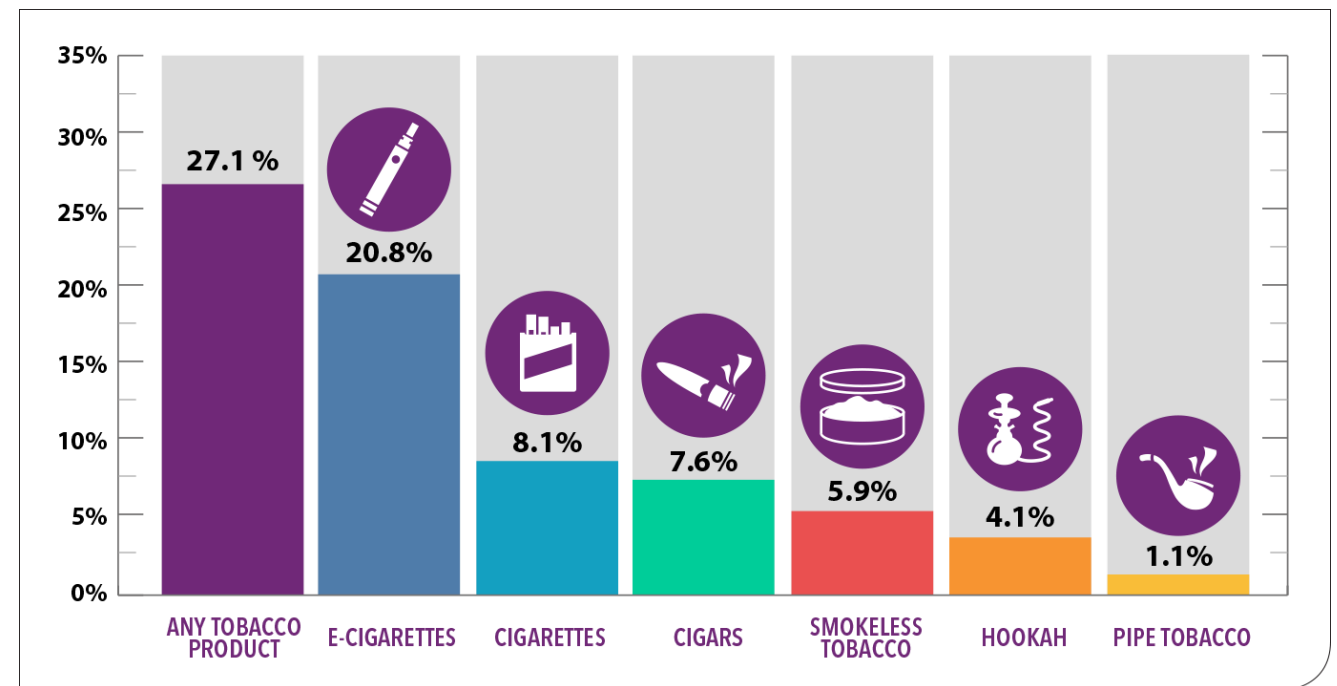


Flavored Tobacco Products

Stop the sale of all flavored tobacco products, including menthol

- Congress stopped the sale of flavored cigarettes in 2009.
- Kids start using e-cigarettes because of the flavors.
- From 2017 to 2018, vaping rose by 78 percent for high school students and 48 percent for middle school students.
- A survey of adults who use electronic cigarettes found that **flavors attracted many to start** using e-cigarettes and supported their continued use.
- A new study found 1 in 5 adults in the U.S. who had never smoked reported trying **non-cigarette tobacco products**.

Tobacco product use among high school students—
2018



Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/youth-tobacco-use/images/youth-tobacco-infographic-1.png>





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Moving Forward

Stay Tuned

1. You're the Cure alerts will pick up in December
2. Invitation to our March 3rd pre-session call will be sent in December
3. Save the Date for AHA's Louisiana Lobby Day will be sent in January

