

Minute Magazine Recap – Public Affairs 2018

Jan 1 – Jan 10, 2018 The Great Flu War

Louisiana starts 2018 firmly in the grips of strong Flu Bug.

Jan 11 – Jan 20, 2018 Louisiana Fiscal Cliff and Special Session

Gov John Bel Edwards says only for state to effectively deal with projected \$1-billion budget shortfall is through another Special Legislative Session.

Jan 20 – Jan 29 , 2018, Monroe Mayor Advocates for New Civic Center

Monroe Mayor Jamie continues his push for a new Civic Center Arena as part of a downtown revitalization plan

Jan 30- Feb 7, 2018 Pres Trump Remains Popular in Louisiana

Despite Pres Trumps low national approval rating, Louisiana voter still strongly support him and his agenda.

Feb 8 – Feb 14, 2018 Geaux Blue – Louisiana Democrats Organize

Louisiana Democratic parties push to make the state Blue again.

Feb 15 – Feb 17, 2018 Reaction to Parkland, Florida School Shooting

State and local reaction to another tragic school shooting, this time Parkland, Fla.

Feb 18 – Feb 22, 2017 Louisiana Special Legislative Session

Gov John Bel Edwards, his blueprint for the dealing with looming \$1-billion budget shortfall caused by expiration of 1-cent temporary state sales tax.

Feb 23 – 27, 2018 Pres Trump Teachers Need Guns

State and Local officials react to Pres Trumps suggestion to allow trained teachers and school workers to carry guns.

Feb 28 – Mar 02, 2018 Special Legislative Session Flirting with Disaster

House Republicans and Democrats in a Standoff on how to effectively deal with the looming \$1-billion budget shortfall.

Mar 3 – Mar 7, 2018 Monroe Mayor Pushes for Higher Rates

Monroe Mayor Jamie Mayo pushing hard for a 20-% hike in city water rates in order to fund much needed upgrades for cities Water Treatment Plant.

Mar 8 – Mar 14, 2018 Special Session Failure

*Louisiana political pundits offer opinions on the Failure of Special Legislative
Were there any winners or did everybody lose?*

Mar 15 – Mar 21, 2018 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session

Gov John Bel Edwards vs House Republicans on key Legislative Issues. Both sides blame the other, here we go again. pundits offer opinions on the Failure of Special Legislative

Mar 22 – Mar 24, 2018 March For Our Lives

Planned nationwide protest not gaining much traction in North Louisiana vs Southern part of state which includes Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

Mar 25 – Mar 29, 2018 State GOP Lawmakers want to Arm Teachers

New push by House Republicans to allow trained teachers and support staff to carry weapons in an effort to ward off possible mass shooting.

Mar 30 – Mar 31, 2018 Monroe City Councils OK's Water Rate Increase.

Following heated debate City Council approved Mayor Mayo's water rate increase. Money will fund improvements to cities water treatment plant.