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## LSU Student Senate vote against Charlie Kirk statue

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Recently, Louisiana Governor Jeff Landry called on Louisiana State University to erect a statue in honor of deceased right-wing political activist

Charlie Kirk. "There is no better warrior for free speech than Charlie Kirk, and we must continue his legacy on every campus in America," says Landry in a video posted to his Facebook. On Nov. 5, the LSU Student Senate voted against placing a statue of Kirk on the university's campus.

LSU Student Senate voted against Charlie Kirk statue on campus. Here's what this means

The LSU Student Senate is comprised of student senators who have

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## Take a road trip on LA's most scenic drives

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Looking to take a beautiful road trip through Louisiana?

Road trips are a great way to enjoy the natural scenery of an area, as well as a fun way to experience unique local attractions.

Such drives may be best taken within the Southern U.S., as winding roads lead you among sprawling forests, peaceful pastures, meandering rivers and structures from the past.

In order to help travelers find the perfect drive to embark on, WorldAtlas has compiled a list of the most scenic drives in the South.

Here's which drive in Louisiana is

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## Senators press Walmart to curb shrimp imports



The annual blessing of the shrimp fleet is an important part of the Delcambre Shrimp Festival. JACOB CAVALLARO/SPECIAL TO THE ADVERTISER

Greg Hilburn  
Shreveport Times  
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Louisiana U.S. Sens. Bill Cassidy and John Kennedy are pressuring Walmart and other major grocery store chains to curb "radioactive" shrimp imports and boost domestic shrimp options for consumers.

Cassidy and Kennedy wrote joint letters to the CEOs of Wal-Mart, Kroger and Albertsons following a series of recalls of imported shrimp that may have been exposed to the chemical element cesium-137 that emits radiation as it breaks down.

"Despite these numerous concerns,

[you] continue to sell imported shrimp at your stores, rather than support domestic fisheries that offer a safer product while supporting small American businesses," the Louisiana senators wrote in letters delivered Nov. 7.

Louisiana fisherman Acy Cooper, president of the Louisiana Shrimp Association, said cheap imports that pose potential health concerns are threatening the domestic industry's future and a way of life passed down through generations.

Cooper said his top priority is advocating for a federal law that requires more prominent labeling for imported shrimp similar to a Louisiana law that requires the country of origin to be

printed on the front of packaging with larger print.

"It's we can't get that we're not going to make it," Cooper said in an interview with USA Today Network.

Cooper bought his first shrimping vessel, an old wooden flatboat, when he was 15.

Cooper followed his father and grandfather before him into the rich gumbo Gulf of America waters from the fishing community of Venice on the coast of southern Louisiana.

Today Cooper and his family operate two Laffite skiffs — one 35-footer and one 30-footer — docked in the

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## Former House Speaker indicted on felony theft

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Former Republican Louisiana House Speaker Clay Schexnayder has been indicted on a felony theft charge for allegedly stealing a cypress board once displayed in the state Capitol.

Schexnayder, who served three terms in the House including his final four years as speaker, was indicted by a Baton Rouge grand jury in a case brought by Republican Attorney General Liz Murrill. He also was indicted on a charge of malfeasance in office.

"You don't get to keep state property; it doesn't belong to you," Murrill said in a statement to USA Today Network after the indictment was returned Oct. 12.

The indictment describes the cypress board as a "rare Louisiana state artifact." It was displayed in the Capitol until about 12 years ago.

Schexnayder told USA Today Network he thought state officials picked up the board when they collected other state property from his former

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