

# News Clips Report

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BATON ROUGE, La.\_State Treasurer John Kennedy is pushing for a renovated public hospital in New Orleans, rather than building a new replacement facility. The recommendation will go to the Commission on Streamlining Government, a state panel looking at ways to cut Louisiana's budget.

COVINGTON, La. (AP) \_ A man who escaped from the St. Tammany Parish jail in June has pleaded guilty to the 2005 killing of a 19-year-old Alabama woman. Eric Buras entered the plea yesterday to second-degree murder. It carries a mandatory life prison sentence.

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) \_ The University Club Golf Course will close for a 10-month renovation beginning in early December, according to Stirling Properties. Bunkers will be reconstructed and drainage will be improved at the course, home to LSU men's and women's golf teams.

NEW ORLEANS (AP) \_ Greg Meffert, the former New Orleans' technology chief caught up in a federal probe into the office he once headed and the contracts it once handled, has taken the stand in a civil trial over the city's problem-plagued crime camera system. The trial involves a 2207 lawsuit by two companies that say their system was misappropriated by people within and with ties to the technology office.

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