BATON ROUGE, La. — With two dissenting votes, the Louisiana Senate agreed Tuesday with the House, that Louisianians of Acadian descent are “Cajuns” rather than “a part of the anatomy of an animal with a striped tail.”


“I don’t see anything wrong with that name,” said Kiefer of the name the resolution avoided. “They’ve been using it a hundred years and they’re not gonna stop using it because of this resolution,” Kiefer told newsmen.

An administration floor leader, Kiefer was asked whether he was representing the governor in his vote. “The governor is very proud of that name (the one we don’t use anymore). I was voting my orders.”

“You didn’t call a man that (the name we don’t use anymore) without the possibility of being struck between the eyes,” Sen Jesse Knowles of Lake Charles said of a decade or more ago. But today, he conceded, it is common usage, including by “some in high places.”

Anyway, Knowles said to newsmen, Gov. Edwin Edwards was not a (name we don’t use anymore) . . . not with a name like Edwards.

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