### House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

# Minutes of Meeting 2022 First Extraordinary Session February 11, 2022

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative John M. Stefanski, chairman of the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs, called the meeting to order at 9:23 a.m. in Room 5, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

#### II. ROLL CALL

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Representative John M. Stefanski, chairman

Representative Gerald "Beau" Beaullieu, IV

Representative Wilford Dan Carter, Sr.

Representative Daryl Andrew Deshotel

Representative Royce Duplessis, vice chairman

Representative Les Farnum

Representative Foy Bryan Gadberry

Representative Valarie Hodges

Representative Dodie Horton

Representative Barry Ivey

Representative Sam L. Jenkins, Jr.

Representative Michael T. Johnson

Representative Jeremy S. LaCombe

Representative Rodney Lyons

Representative Tanner D. Magee

Representative Candace N. Newell

Representative Polly Thomas

Representative Malinda B. White

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Patricia Lowrey-Dufour, legislative analyst Lorrianne Lucas, attorney Rosalie Ammersbach, committee administrative assistant

#### ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

John Harrington, clerk Clarence Russ, sergeant at arms Danny Leming, sergeant at arms Faye Talbot, sergeant at arms

#### III. DISCUSSION OF LEGISLATION

# House Bill No. 5 by Representative Newell

Representative Newell presented House Bill No. 5, which provides relative to the election districts for members of congress.

Representative Newell offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 5. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 5 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Stefanski, Wilford Carter, Deshotel, Duplessis, Farnum, Gadberry, Hodges, Horton, Jenkins, Mike Johnson, LaCombe, Lyons, Magee, Newell, Thomas, and White voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 3 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

# House Bill No. 12 by Representative Bryant

Representative Bryant presented House Bill No. 12, which provides relative to the districts for members of the United States Congress.

Vice Chairman Duplessis in the chair.

Chairman Stefanski in the chair.

Representative Stefanski offered a motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 12. Without objection, action on House Bill No. 12 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 17 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Stefanski, Wilford Carter, Deshotel, Duplessis, Farnum, Gadberry, Hodges, Horton, Ivey, Jenkins, Mike Johnson, LaCombe, Lyons, Magee, Newell, Thomas, and White voted yea.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 4 in support. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

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# House Bill No. 21 by Representative Glover

Representative Glover presented House Bill No. 21, which provides for the districts for the election of members to the House of Representatives.

Representative Duplessis offered amendments to make changes to districts 18, 20, 22, 24, 29, 30, 39, 44, 45, 47, 48, 49, 58, 60, 61, 62, 63, 81, 88, and 96. Representative Duplessis offered a motion to adopt the proposed amendments. Without objection, the amendments were adopted by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Stefanski, Wilford Carter, Deshotel, Duplessis, Farnum, Gadberry, Hodges, Horton, Ivey, Jenkins, Mike Johnson, LaCombe, Lyons, Magee, Thomas, and White voted yea.

Representative Tammy T. Phelps, House District No. 3, spoke for information only on House Bill No. 21.

Representative Wilford Carter offered a motion to report House Bill No. 21 favorably. Representative Stefanski offered a substitute motion to voluntarily defer action on House Bill No. 21, to which Representative Wilford Carter objected. The administrative assistant called the roll, and action on House Bill No. 21 was voluntarily deferred by a vote of 10 yeas and 7 nays. Representatives Stefanski, Beaullieu, Deshotel, Farnum, Gadberry, Hodges, Horton, Ivey, Mike Johnson, and Thomas voted yea. Representatives Wilford Carter, Duplessis, Jenkins, LaCombe, Lyons, Newell, and White voted nay.

Witness cards submitted by individuals who did not speak are as follows: 1 in support, and 1 in opposition. Witness cards are included in the committee records.

# General Statements Received Regarding Redistricting

There was 1 statement submitted via email in accordance with House Rule 14.33 in lieu of appearing before the committee. A copy of this statement is in the committee records.

#### IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

### V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

### VI. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Farnum offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 17 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Stefanski, Beaullieu, Wilford Carter, Deshotel, Duplessis, Farnum, Gadberry, Hodges, Horton, Ivey, Jenkins, Mike Johnson, LaCombe, Lyons, Newell, Thomas, and White voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman John M. Stefanski

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Date adopted: March 17, 2022