

House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

Minutes of Meeting
2022-2023 Interim
September 15, 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 2:04 p.m. in Room 3, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative John M. Stefanski, chairman
Representative Gerald "Beau" Beaulieu, IV
Representative Foy Bryan Gadberry
Representative Barry Ivey
Representative Michael T. Johnson
Representative Rodney Lyons
Representative Tanner D. Magee
Representative Candace N. Newell
Representative Polly Thomas
Representative Malinda B. White

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Representative Wilford Dan Carter, Sr.
Representative Daryl Andrew Deshotel
Representative Royce Duplessis, vice chairman
Representative Les Farnum
Representative Dodie Horton
Representative Sam L. Jenkins, Jr.
Representative Jeremy S. LaCombe

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Patricia Lowrey-Dufour, legislative analyst
Annie Smith, attorney
Rosalie Ammersbach, committee administrative assistant
Alexandra Cravins, committee assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Danny Leming, sergeant at arms
Faye Talbot, sergeant at arms

III. BUSINESS**Legislative oversight of rules proposed by the Department of State Civil Service relative to the transmittal of ballots for the election of the classified employee member of the State Civil Service Commission**

Byron P. Decoteau, Jr., State Civil Service, 1201 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, (225) 392-8272, discussed proposed rules submitted by the Department of State Civil Service for the transmittal of ballots for the election of the classified employee member of the State Civil Service Commission in a July 2022 Notice of Intent, labeled Exhibit A, which is in the committee records.

Sherri Gregoire, State Civil Service, no address provided, (225) 342-4442, spoke for information only on Exhibit A.

Representative Newell offered a motion to find the rules acceptable with changes suggested by the committee. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Stefanski, Gadberry, Ivey, Mike Johnson, Lyons, Magee, Newell, Thomas, and White voted yea.

Adoption of minutes for committee meetings held on: September 17, October 26, November 16, December 15, and December 16, 2021, and January 11, and January 20, 2022, of the 2021-2022 Interim; February 2, 2022, of the 2022 First Extraordinary Session; March 17, March 23, April 6, April 12, April 13, April 19, April 27, May 3, May 4, May 10, May 11, May 17, May 18, May 24, May 26, and May 31, 2022, of the 2022 Regular Session; and June 17, 2022, of the 2022 Second Extraordinary Session

Representative Newell offered a motion to adopt the minutes. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 9 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Stefanski, Gadberry, Ivey, Mike Johnson, Lyons, Magee, Newell, Thomas, and White voted yea.

Discussion of House Resolution No. 180 of the 2022 Regular Session by Representative Wright regarding campaign contributions in the form of crypto-currency

Kathleen M. Allen, Louisiana Board of Ethics, P.O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, (225) 219-5600, discussed a memorandum submitted by the Louisiana Board of Ethics, "Cryptocurrency as Campaign Contributions", labeled Exhibit B, which is in the committee records.

David Bordelon, Louisiana Board of Ethics, P.O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821, (225) 219-5600, spoke for information only on Exhibit B.

Slava Sereda, Louisiana Board of Ethics, P.O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70816, (225) 219-5612, spoke for information only on Exhibit B.

Discussion of House Resolution No. 254 of the 2022 Regular Session by Representative Ivey regarding review of constitutional provisions within the jurisdiction of the committee

Representative Ivey discussed House Resolution No. 254 of the 2022 Regular Session and the task of reviewing the constitutional provisions within the jurisdiction of the committee.

The following handouts were distributed. They are included in the committee records and labeled as follows:

- Exhibit C, "La. Constitution - Standing committee jurisdiction"
- Exhibit D, Memorandum RE: Review of the Constitution of Louisiana pursuant to House Resolution No. 254, 2022 Regular Session, dated September 15, 2022

Mallory Waller, coordinator of research, Louisiana State Law Institute, Room W-127, LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center, 1 East Campus Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-1016, (225) 578-0200, discussed a working draft provided by the Louisiana State Law Institute Constitutional Laws Committee, "Possible Recommendations Pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution No. 7 of the 2020 First Extraordinary Session", labeled Exhibit E, which is in the committee records.

Discussion of legislative rules, procedures, customs, and practices

Michelle Fontenot, clerk of the House of Representatives, and Ron Smith, assistant clerk of the House of Representatives, introduced the project of reviewing the legislative rules, procedures, customs, and practices within the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives of Louisiana and encouraged committee members to share with staff any changes they would like to make to the House Rules.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

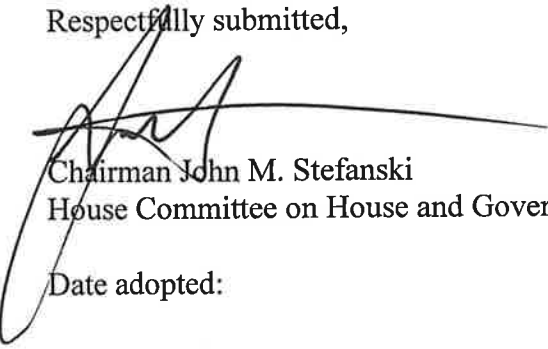
There were no announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thomas offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 8 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Stefanski, Gadberry, Ivey, Mike Johnson, Lyons, Newell, Thomas, and White voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman John M. Stefanski
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Date adopted: