Judicial Structure Task Force Subcommittee (HR 30 2022 R.S.)

Minutes of Meeting August 11, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Thomas A. Pressly, chairman of the Judicial Structure Task Force Subcommittee, called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. in Room 5, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Thomas A. Pressly

NON-LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Judge Lee Faulkner Judge Mitchell R. Theriot

INVITED STAKEHOLDERS PRESENT:

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Judge Guy Holdridge

Judge Tiffany Chase

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Amanda Trapp, legislative analyst Diane Merritt, committee administrative assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Michael McCain, clerk Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms Danny Leming, sergeant at arms

III. DISCUSSION

Julia Spear, deputy judicial administrator for research and development, Louisiana Supreme Court, 400 Royal St., Suite 1190, New Orleans, LA 70130, (504)310-2629, testified on two proposals that were being presented to the subcommittee. Two proposals were discussed, one from The Justice Management Institute titled "Louisiana Judicial Workload Assessment", Exhibit A, and the other

from the National Center for State Courts titled "Weighted Caseload Study of District and Circuit Court Judicial Officers", Exhibit B. Ms. Spear addressed questions from the Judicial Structure Task Force Subcommittee members.

Rose Wilson, data analyst, research and development division, Louisiana Supreme Court, 400 Royal St., Suite 1190, New Orleans, LA 70130, (504)310-2611, testified for information only and addressed questions from the task force subcommittee members.

Kerry K. Lentini, contractor, representing the Louisiana Supreme Court, 300 Southern Rd., River Ridge, LA 70123, (504)400-4499, testified for information only and addressed questions from the task force subcommittee members.

Debbie D. Hudnall, executive director, Louisiana Clerks of Court Association, 10707 Jefferson Hwy., Baton Rouge, LA 70809, (225)293-1162, testified for information only and addressed questions from the task force subcommittee members.

Representative Pressly offered a motion to recommend The Justice Management Institute proposal, to which Judge Faulkner objected. Judge Faulkner offered a substitute motion to recommend the National Center for State Courts proposal. The administrative assistant called the roll, and the motion to recommend the National Center for State Courts passed by a vote of 2 yeas and 1 nay. Judge Faulkner and Judge Theriot voted yea, and Representative Pressly voted nay.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas A. Pressly Judicial Structure Task Force Subcommittee

Date adopted: _____