

House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

Minutes of Meeting
2024 First Extraordinary Session
January 15, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Gerald "Beau" Beaulieu, IV, chair of the House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. in Room 5, in the state capitol in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Representative Gerald "Beau" Beaulieu, IV, chair
Representative Beth Anne Billings
Representative Delisha Boyd
Representative Josh Carlson
Representative Wilford Dan Carter, Sr.
Representative Christopher Kim Carver
Representative Les Farnum
Representative Foy Bryan Gadberry
Representative Michael T. Johnson
Representative Ed Larvadain, III
Representative Rodney Lyons, vice chair
Representative C. Denise Marcelle
Representative Candace N. Newell
Representative Rodney Wayne Schamerhorn
Representative Polly Thomas
Representative Mark Wright
Representative John E. Wyble

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Patricia Lowrey-Dufour, legislative analyst
Annie Smith, attorney
Sarah Baker, committee administrative assistant

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES PRESENT:

Myrtis Jarrell, sergeant at arms

III. BUSINESS

1. Educational presentation on redistricting
2. Briefing on congressional redistricting litigation

House and Governmental Affairs staff analyst, Patricia Lowrey-Dufour, discussed information in Exhibit A, labeled "Redistricting 2024," which is included in the committee records.

Liz Murrill, attorney general, P.O. Box 94005, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, public employee witness designation form on file, spoke for information only.

Larry Frieman, chief deputy attorney general, P.O. Box 94005, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, public employee witness designation form on file, spoke for information only.

Tom Jones, Office of the Attorney General, 1885 North Third Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802, spoke for information only.

Edward "Scott" Galmon, 124 Versia Scott Lane, Greensburg, LA 70441, spoke for information only.

J.C. Harmon, 426 Sena Drive, Metairie, LA 70005, spoke in opposition.

Mary S. Susie Labry, 40128 B Emerald Drive, Ponchatoula, LA 70454, spoke in opposition.

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

Prepared statements were received via email for redistricting pursuant to House Rule 14.33.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Representative Thomas offered a motion to adjourn. Without objection, the motion passed by a vote of 16 yeas and 0 nays. Representatives Beaulieu, Billings, Boyd, Carlson, Wilford Carter, Carver,

Farnum, Gadberry, Larvadain, Lyons, Marcelle, Newell, Schamerhorn, Thomas, Wright, and Wyble voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'GAB', is written over the typed name of the signatory.

Chair Gerald "Beau" Beaulieu, IV
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Date adopted: