# **House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs**

# Minutes of Meeting 2024 First Extraordinary Session January 15, 2024

# I. CALL TO ORDER

Representative Gerald "Beau" Beaullieu, 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" Beaullieu, 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 Beaullieu, 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,

Chair Gerald "Beau" Beaullieu, IV House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs

Date adopted: