

## MINUTES

SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Meeting Jointly

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

10:30 AM

Little Rock Port Authority

10600 Industrial Harbor Dr., Little Rock, Arkansas

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Committee members present: Senators Ronald Caldwell, Chair; Matt Stone, Vice-Chair; Ben Gilmore, Fredrick J. Love; Representatives Jack Fortner, Chair; Roger D. Lynch, Vice-Chair; Howard M. Beaty, Jr., Ron McNair, Kendra Moore, DeAnn Vaught, and Danny Watson

Other members present: Senators Josh Bryant, and Mark Johnson; Representatives Kenneth Ferguson, Vivian Flowers, Grant Hodges, Aaron Pilkington, Jamie Scott, Joy Springer, and Kendon Underwood

Representative Fortner called the meeting to order.

### **Consideration to Approve the August 30, 2024, Meeting Minutes [Exhibit B]**

Without objection, the minutes were approved.

### **Overview and Tour of the Little Rock Port Authority**

Brian Day, Executive Director, Port of Little Rock, and Jodi Pryor, General Manager, Logistic Services Inc., provided an overview on the growth and development of the Arkansas River and the Little Rock Port Authority. Afterwards, members were given a tour of the port.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.