

MINUTES
JOINT PERFORMANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE
Tuesday, September 9, 2025
1:00 PM
Room A, MAC
Little Rock, Arkansas

Committee members present: Senators Terry Rice, Co-Chair; Jamie Scott, Vice-Chair; Joshua Bryant, Tyler Dees, Jonathan Dismang, Jane English, Scott Flippo, Ricky Hill, John Payton, and Dan Sullivan; Representatives Bruce Cozart, Co-Chair; Tony Furman, Vice-Chair; Howard M. Beaty, Jr., Matt Brown, Rebecca Burkes, Frances Cavanaugh, Cindy Crawford, Lane Jean, Wayne Long, Robin Lundstrum, Aaron Pilkington, Chad Puryear, and Jim Wooten

Other members present: Senators Justin Boyd, Jim Dotson, Jimmy Hickey Jr., Mark Johnson, Bryan King, Fredrick Love, Matt McKee, Clint Penzo, Matt Stone, and Clarke Tucker; Representatives Fred Allen, Glenn Barnes, Lincoln Barnett, Stan Berry, Keith Brooks, Nick Burkes, John P. Carr, James Eaton, Denise Jones Ennett, Jon Eubanks, Kenneth B. Ferguson, Steve Hollowell, Jack Ladyman, John Maddox, Julie Mayberry, Tippi McCullough, Jessie McGruder, Brit McKenzie, Jason Nazarenko, Jay Richardson, Marcus E. Richmond, Ryan A. Rose, Johnny Rye, Joy Springer, Tracy Steele, Dwight Tosh, Kendon Underwood, Steven Walker, Jeff Wardlaw, and Carlton Wing

Senator Rice called the meeting to order.

Consideration to Approve the October 21, 2024, Meeting Minutes [Exhibit B]

Rep. Beaty Jr. made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Sen. Payton, and the motion carried.

Consideration of a Motion to Authorize Chairs to Approve Special Expenses Incurred by the Committee

Sen. Dees made a motion to approve special expenses, seconded by Rep. Furman, and the motion carried.

Discussion of Citizens' Complaint Regarding Franklin County Prison Proposal [Exhibits D1-D3]

Adam Watson, Director, Gravel & Grit, and Natalie Cadena, Executive Director, Gravel & Grit, provided testimony regarding a citizens' complaint concerning the proposed prison project in Franklin County, Arkansas.

Anne Laidlaw, Director, Division of Building Authority, Department of Shared Administrative Services (SAS); Shelby Johnson, Director, Division of Geographic Information Systems, SAS; Benny Magness, Chairman, Arkansas Board of Corrections (BOC); and Lee Watson, Member, BOC; provided additional insight regarding the Franklin County prison proposal.

Sen. Payton made a motion to authorize the co-chairs to begin the process of issuing a subpoena as authorized by law, seconded by Sen. Scott, and the motion failed.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.