INTERIM JOINT COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS & REVENUE

Budget Review Subcommittee on Justice and Judiciary

Minutes of the 6th Meeting of the 2021 Interim

November 16, 2021

Call to Order and Roll Call

The 6th meeting of the Budget Review Subcommittee on Justice and Judiciary of the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations & Revenue was held on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at 9:00 AM, in Room 129 of the Capitol Annex. Senator Danny Carroll, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

Present were:

Members: Senator Danny Carroll, Co-Chair; Representative Joseph M. Fischer, Co-Chair; Senators John Schickel and Robin L. Webb; Representatives McKenzie Cantrell, Jennifer Decker, Daniel Elliott, Angie Hatton, C. Ed Massey, and Jason Nemes.

<u>Guests:</u> Kevin Rader, Administrative Division Assistant Director, Department of Criminal Justice Training; Lieutenant Colonel Larry Newton, Executive Director, Office of Technical Services, Kentucky State Police; and Brandon Marshall, Staff Assistant, Communications Branch, Kentucky State Police.

LRC Staff: Perry Papka, Zachary Ireland, and Benjamin Thompson

Approval of Minutes

Co-Chair Fischer moved for the approval of the October 6, 2021 meeting of the subcommittee. Representative Nemes seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved without objection.

Update on the Kentucky Law Enforcement Foundation Program Fund (KLEFPF)

Mr. Rader provided an overview of the status of the KLEFPF.

In response to a question from Chair Carroll, Mr. Rader noted that the stipend for officers would increase by \$600. Mr. Rader noted that the balance of the fund was \$42,445,350.

In response to a question from Representative Nemes, Mr. Rader confirmed that Louisville Metropolitan Police Officers are eligible to receive the stipend.

In response to a question from Co-Chair Fischer, Mr. Rader stated that the cost of a new indoor firing range was estimated to be \$28,535,900.

Update on the Emergency Radio Replacement System

Lieutenant Colonel Newton and Mr. Marshall provided an overview of the progress being made in replacing the current emergency radio system.

In response to questions from Chair Carroll, Lieutenant Colonel Newton noted that \$67 million of the \$87 million dollar allotment for the project had been spent. Mr. Marshall noted that upon completion of phase two of the project, radio equipment would be upgraded from the westernmost part of the state to the Interstate 75 corridor. Mr. Marshall noted that the Kentucky State Police (KSP) is attempting to utilize radio towers that are already owned by the commonwealth, using Kentucky Education Television towers as an example.

In response to questions from Representative Nemes, Lieutenant Colonel Newton stated that KSP was looking at all options to utilize federal funding. Mr. Marshall noted that the new radio system utilized encryption software to increase office safety and operational privacy.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:06 AM.