

# **2021 REGULAR SESSION IMPEACHMENT COMMITTEE (H)**

## **Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of 2021**

**January 27, 2021**

### **Call to Order and Roll Call**

The 2nd meeting of the 2021 Regular Session Impeachment Committee (H) was held on Wednesday, January 27, 2021, at 3:00 PM, in Room 125 of the Capitol Annex. Representative Jason Nemes, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

Present were:

Members: Representative Jason Nemes, Chair; Representatives George Brown Jr., Angie Hatton, Kim King, C. Ed Massey, Suzanne Miles, Patti Minter, Felicia Rabourn, and Buddy Wheatley.

LRC Staff: Chip Smith, and Elishea Schweickart

### **Updates**

Representative Nemes began the meeting by stating that Governor Beshear had responded to the petition as requested by the committee. Three of the four petitioners had responded to Governor Beshear's response, and the fourth petitioner had requested an extension of time to submit a response, which would be discussed later in the meeting. Representative Massey made a motion to release the Governor's response to the public, seconded by Representative King, and the motion was adopted by voice-vote. Representative Miles made a motion to release the petitioner's response to the public, seconded by Representative Minter, and the motion was adopted by voice-vote.

The petition of impeachment against Representative Robert Goforth has been referred and is in possession of the committee. Also, the committee has hired Kent Westberry as counsel, and he will represent the committee as a whole.

### **Executive Session**

After the committee updates were announced Representative Massey made motion to go into executive session, seconded by Representative King, and the motion was adopted by voice-vote.

Upon return from executive session, Representative Nemes announced that counsel for the fourth petitioner, Randall Daniel, had contacted the Office of the Governor and the committee informing them that Mr. Daniel will be making a motion to withdraw from the petition. The committee will entertain the motion once it is filed. Representative King made

a motion to accept the letters and release them to the public, seconded by Representative Brown, and the motion was adopted by voice-vote.

The committee will also be sending another letter to the Governor asking for more information. The Governor will have until 5:00 PM on Monday, February 1, 2021 to respond.

### **Adjournment**

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:48 PM.