The Senate Judiciary Committee was called to order pursuant to the meeting notice at 9:17 AM in the North Hearing Room.

Attendance was taken and a quorum was not present. The committee acted as a sub-committee.

The Chair first called up House Bill 272 for its first hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Representatives Scott Oelslager and Brett Hillyer - Sponsor (Written Testimony)

The Chair then called up Senate Bill 256 for its first hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Senators Nathan Manning and Peggy Lehner - Sponsor (Written Testimony)

A quorum was now present and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Next, the Chair called up Senate Bill 265 for its first hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Senator Stephanie Kunze - Sponsor (Written Testimony)

The Chair then called up Senate Bill 270 for its first hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Senator Nickie Antonio - Sponsor (Written Testimony)

The Chair then called up Senate Bill 271 for its first hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Senator Nickie Antonio - Sponsor (Written Testimony)

Next, the Chair called up House Bill 209 for its third hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Justice Paul Pfeifer, Executive Director of the Ohio Judicial Conference - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Brian Davidson, an attorney with the Legal Aid Society of Southwest Ohio, LLC. - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Graham Bowman, Staff Attorney with the Ohio Poverty Law Center - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Eric Johnson Esq., an Ohio State Bar Association Certified Specialist in Family Relations Law - Opponent (Written Testimony)
James E. Hitchcock, retired Attorney and resident of Williams County - Opponent (Written-Only)

Phyllis Carlson-Riehm, with ACTION OHIO Coalition For Battered Women - Opponent (Written-Only)

Then, the Chair called up Substitute House Bill 251 for its third hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Trudy Weiss Craig, general Counsel with Unifund CCR LLC and Susan D. Appel, Legal Counsel with Receivables Management Association International - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Lastly, the Chair called to order the Governor's Appointment.

Elizabeth E. Tracy, Ohio Ethics Commission

Chairman Eklund moved to favorably report the Governor's Appointment and Senate Manning seconded the motion. By a vote of 8-0, the Governor's Appointment was approved.

The committee adjourned at 10:33 am.

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John Eklund, Chair