



Rules and Reference Committee

Speaker Jason Stephens, Chair

Minutes for Tuesday, December 12, 2023

Chairman Stephens called the Rules and Reference committee to order at 11:03 a.m., in Hearing Room 119 of the Ohio Statehouse.

Ranking Member Russo called the roll, and with a quorum present, the meeting proceeded as a full committee.

The Chairman moved to accept the minutes from the meeting on December 5, 2023. Without objection, the minutes were approved.

The first item of business was to consider the rules report to set the House Calendar for Wednesday, December 13, 2023. The Chairman moved to accept the rules report. The Secretary called the roll. With 12 yeas and 0 nays, the report was accepted at 11:05 a.m.

The second item of business was to consider the referral report. The Chairman moved to accept the referral report, and the Secretary called the roll. With 12 yeas and 0 nays, the report was accepted.

The third item of business, the Chairman called H.B. No. 128 for its first hearing and excused the sponsors from appearing before the committee, pursuant to House Rule 37(b). Representative Oelslager moved substitute bill L_135_1958 and explained the substitute bill. The motion was agreed to and the substitute bill was accepted without objection. The Chairman moved to favorably report H.B. 128, as substituted. The Secretary called the roll, and with 12 yeas and 0 nays, H.B. No. 128, as substituted, was so reported.

The fourth item of business, the Chairman called H.B. No. 251 for its first hearing and excused the sponsors from appearing before the committee, pursuant to House Rule 37(b). Representative Oelslager moved substitute bill L_135_1148-1 and explained the substitute bill. The motion was agreed to and the substitute bill was accepted without objection. The Chairman moved to favorably report H.B. 251, as substituted. The Secretary called the roll, and with 12 yeas and 0 nays, H.B. No. 251, as substituted, was so reported.

The final item of business was to consider the congratulatory report. The Chairman moved that the report be accepted, and without objection, the report was accepted.

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With no further business before the committee, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:09 a.m.

Jason Stephens, Chair

C. Allison Russo, Secretary