



OHIO CONSTITUTIONAL MODERNIZATION COMMISSION

REVISED MINUTES OF THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH AND EXECUTIVE BRANCH COMMITTEE FOR THE MEETING HELD THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2013

Call to Order:

Chair Fred Mills called the meeting of the Legislative Branch and Executive Branch Committee to order.

Members Present:

A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes:

The previous minutes were approved.

Presentations and Discussion:

As reported by Chair Mills, the committee heard a presentation from Attorney Lynda Jacobsen of the Legislative Service Commission with regard to Guiding Principles of Redistricting and Reapportionment. The Committee also heard from Senator Frank LaRose, sponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 3 of the 130th General Assembly. Sen. LaRose was speaking on behalf of himself and Senator Tom Sawyer concerning their attempt to amend the current Ohio apportionment and redistricting process.

Chair Mills also reported that the committee continued its deliberations on a point-by-point basis comparing the current constitutional model with SJR 3 and Representative Vernon Sykes' draft proposal (LSC 130 1364-1). Chair Mills indicated there was committee consensus on two decisions: 1) that any recommended change of the constitutional apportionment and redistricting process should contain a single body that will perform for both legislative districts and congressional districts; and 2) that the newly created redistricting commission should be required to pass new maps with at least one minority vote and a super majority decision.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.

Approval:

The minutes of the October 10, 2013, meeting of the Legislative Branch and Executive Branch Committee were approved.

/s/ Frederick E. Mills

Frederick E. Mills, Chair

/s/ Paula Brooks

Paula Brooks, Vice-chair