

PRIVATE
STAFF SUMMARY OF MEETING
JOINT COMMITTEE COMMITTEE ON INDEPENDENT LEGISLATIVE
REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

		Attendance
Date	02/11/2022	Hunter Barnett X
		Heather Barry X
		John Buckley *
		Samuel X
Time	01:06:09 PM to 02:37:58 PM	Greenidge X
		Constance X
		Hass X
Place	HCR 0107	Gary Horvath X
		Aislinn Kottwitz *
		Amber X
		McReynolds X
This Meeting was called to order by	Carlos Perez	Blanca Uzeta X
		O'Leary X
		Robin X
This Report was prepared by	Julia Jackson	Schepper X
		Kevin Fletcher X
		Carlos Perez X

X = Present, E = Excused, A = Absent, * = Present after roll call

Hearing Items	Action Taken
Petition on Technical Changes from County Clerks	Committee Discussion Only

Petition on Technical Changes from County Clerks - Committee Discussion Only

- 01:06:26 PM Chair Perez discussed the agenda and noted that no one signed up for the public comment period.
- 01:08:15 PM Jeremiah Barry, commission staff, presented on the petition from the Secretary of State concerning technical changes requested by the county clerks. He discussed Section 2-2-507, C.R.S., which authorizes this action, and he provided examples.
- 01:25:34 PM Mr. Barry continued to review the petition and provide notable examples.
- 01:27:28 PM Commissioner Fletcher questioned Mr. Barry about the population changes proposed by the county clerks. Louis Pino, commission staff, also discussed the population numbers.
- 01:31:56 PM Commissioner Horvath questioned Mr. Barry about how the county clerks adjust boundaries between redistricting cycles.
- 01:34:39 PM Commissioner McReynolds explained that there are often problems with census boundaries within counties and municipalities. She discussed the re-precincting process after redistricting, and she suggested that the commission trust the county clerks in their work.

- 01:38:37 PM Commissioner Buckley noted that he discussed the petition with the El Paso County clerk and as a result he supports the petition.
- 01:42:04 PM Commissioner Schepper noted that she also discussed the petition with her county clerk and expressed support for the petition. Commissioner Greenidge commented on a specific request from Weld County in the petition.
- 01:50:02 PM Commissioner Perez discussed El Paso County's submissions with staff. He also confirmed that staff reviewed all of the proposed changes.
- 01:51:36 PM Mr. Barry responded to additional questions from the chair about staff's opinion on the petition. Mr. Barry noted that there could be grounds for objection to some of the requests.
- 01:57:10 PM Tim Odil, commission outside counsel, led a discussion on whether to file any objections to the petition. The commissioners agreed not to object to any of the requested changes.
- 02:10:36 PM Commissioners discussed filing a brief in support of the Secretary of State's petition. Discussion continued on Exhibit N in the petition and the resulting split of the city of Longmont. Julia Jackson, commission staff, and Mr. Pino responded to questions regarding municipal boundaries.
- 02:23:34 PM Chair Perez asked that any brief of support include a note that the commission desires to minimize municipal splits.

02:33:52 PM

Motion I move to direct outside legal counsel to file a response in support of the Secretary of State's petition before the Colorado Supreme Court concerning case 22SA28 In re: Proposed Changes to Borders Between State Legislative Districts, with the understanding that the commission desires to minimize the number of splits for municipalities such as Longmont.

Moved Aislinn Kottwitz

Seconded

Hunter

Barnett

Heather

Barry

John

Buckley

Samuel

Greenidge

Constance

Hass

Gary

Horvath

Aislinn

Kottwitz

Amber

McReynolds

Blanca

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O'Leary

Robin

Schepper

Kevin

Fletcher

Carlos

Perez

YES: 0 NO: 0 EXC: 0 ABS: 0 FINAL ACTION: Pass Without Objection

02:33:54 PM

The commissioners discussed keeping in touch going forward.

02:37:58 PM

The committee adjourned.