



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

REP. JIMMIE WILSON

CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

10:30 AM

Room 307, House Office Building

The House Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Judiciary was called to order by the Chair, Representative Wilson.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Wilson, Weiss, Brixie, Mentzer, Morgan, Lightner, Cavitt, and Schuette.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative Cavitt joined the committee remotely.

Representative Morgan moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on March 15, 2023. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chief Judge of the Michigan Court of Appeals, Elizabeth L. Gleicher, appeared before the subcommittee to give a brief overview of the Court of Appeals. She discussed the importance of improving accuracy of opinions, improving accessibility, and improving transparency. She discussed how the Court of Appeals is the last word on many cases. She also discussed the Court of Claims and how the Court of Claims was transferred from the Ingham County Circuit Court to the Michigan Court of Appeals about 10 years ago. She talked about the Court of Claims caseload, the number of judges, and the need for additional law clerk positions to assist with the case backlog and to enable completion of cases by the Court more expeditiously. Discussion ensued. Questions and answers followed.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, Representative Wilson adjourned the meeting at 11:00 AM.

Representative Jimmie Wilson, Chair

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