

MINUTES JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENERGY Wednesday, September 24, 2025 1:00 PM Room B, MAC Little Rock, Arkansas

Committee members present: Senators Mark Johnson, Co-Chair; and Ronald Caldwell; Representatives Matthew J. Shepherd, Co-Chair; Rick Beck, Harlan Breaux, Justin Gonzales, Lee Johnson, Jack Ladyman, and Ron McNair

Other members present: Senators Tyler Dees, Scott Flippo, and Jamie Scott; Representatives Paul Childress, Stephen Meeks, and Marcus E. Richmond

Representative Shepherd called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes for the July 28, 2025, Meeting [Exhibit B]

Representative Gonzales made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Representative Ladyman, and the motion carried.

Approval of Consultant Contract with EXCEL for a Technical Feasibility Study on New Nuclear Energy Generation [Exhibits C1-C2]

Ms. Jillian Thayer, Chief Legal Counsel, Bureau of Legislative Research, led the discussion of the Nuclear Energy Consulting Services Agreement. Representative Ladyman made a motion to approve the contract, seconded by Senator Mark Johnson, and the motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:20pm.