# MINUTES LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE

June 25, 2021 MEETING {Approved: August 2, 2021}

The Legislative Ethics Committee (RSA 14-B:2) met on Friday, June 25, 2021, at 1:00 P.M. in Rooms 201-203 of the Legislative Office Building.

The following members were present: Representative Edward M. Gordon, Chairman, the Honorable Donna Sytek, Vice Chairman, Senator Sharon M. Carson, Senator Cindy Rosenwald, Representative Janet G. Wall, the Honorable David H. Hess, and Attorney John S. Brandte. Also participating was Richard M. Lambert, Executive Administrator.

The Committee's meeting consisted of the following items:

### ITEM #1

Consideration of the draft *Minutes* from the Committee's meeting held on April 23, 2021.

Following review, Vice Chairman Sytek moved to approve the *Minutes* as presented. Senator Carson seconded the motion and the Committee voted 7-0 to adopt the motion.

#### ITEM #2

Further Consideration of Complaint 2021-1.

Senator Carson moved to enter nonpublic session, pursuant to RSA 14-B:3, I(d), to further consider the Committee's actions with respect to *Complaint 2021-1*. Representative Wall seconded the motion and the Committee voted as follows:

Mr. Hess	Yea
Vice Chairman Sytek	Yea
Chairman Gordon	Yea
Representative Wall	Yea
Senator Carson	Yea
Senator Rosenwald	Yea
Attorney Brandte	Yea
{MOTION ADOPTED}	

{NONPUBLIC SESSION}

Senator Carson moved to exit nonpublic session. Senator Rosenwald seconded the motion and the Committee voted as follows:

Mr. Hess	Yea
Vice Chairman Sytek	Yea
Chairman Gordon	Yea
Representative Wall	Yea
Senator Carson	Yea
Senator Rosenwald	Yea
Attorney Brandte	Yea
(MOTION ADOPTED)	

{MOTION ADOPTED}

Chairman Gordon stated that the Committee during its nonpublic session decided to take no further action with respect to *Complaint 2021-1*.

#### ITEM #3

Continued Initial Review of Complaint 2021-3.

Senator Carson moved to enter nonpublic session, pursuant to RSA 14-B:3, I(d), to continue its Initial Review of *Complaint 2021-3*. Representative Wall seconded the motion and the Committee voted as follows:

Mr. Hess Yea
Vice Chairman Sytek Yea
Chairman Gordon Yea
Representative Wall Yea
Senator Carson Yea
Senator Rosenwald Yea
Attorney Brandte Yea

{MOTION ADOPTED}

{NONPUBLIC SESSION}

Vice Chairman Sytek moved to exit nonpublic session. Senator Rosenwald seconded the motion and the Committee voted as follows:

Mr. Hess Yea
Vice Chairman Sytek Yea
Chairman Gordon Yea
Representative Wall Yea
Senator Carson Yea
Senator Rosenwald Yea
Attorney Brandte Yea

{MOTION ADOPTED}

Chairman Gordon stated that the Committee during its nonpublic session voted to initiate a Preliminary Investigation of *Complaint 2021-3* and that the parties will be notified by letter.

#### ITEM #4

New/Other business.

Mr. Lambert asked the Committee for guidance on contacting the 22 House members who had filed incomplete 2021 Financial Disclosure Forms to ask them to complete them. The members had not signed their initials at the end of Section 1 of the form as required (see Item #3 in the April 23, 2021, Minutes). He pointed out that, because the forms were filed electronically on the My GCNH Portal, the members would have to entirely redo their forms as they cannot be amended in part. Following a brief discussion, the Committee asked him to mail printouts of the forms to the members, ask them to write in their initials and to return the completed forms by July 30.

## I<u>TEM #5</u>

Scheduling of the next meeting.

The Committee scheduled a meeting on August 2, 2021, at 1:00 P.M.

The Committee's meeting adjourned at approximately 2:15 P.M.

{Prepared by Richard M. Lambert, Executive Administrator}