



**FIRST DAY'S
PROCEEDINGS**

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
93rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021

12:00 NOON

1. House called to order by the Parliamentarian of the 92nd General Assembly, The Honorable Finos “Buddy” Johnson.
2. Invocation by the House Chaplain, Dr. Rex Horne, Retired Pastor, Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas.
3. Posting of Colors by Arkansas State Police Color Guard. (After Posting of Colors, then Pledge of Allegiance to be led by Representative Lane Jean.)
4. National Anthem by Representative Mike Holcomb.
5. Parliamentarian appoints the following named Committee to notify the Secretary of State, The Honorable John Thurston, that the General Assembly has convened and to escort him to the Podium of the House Chamber:

Representative Brandt Smith, Chairperson
Representative Stephen Meeks
Representative Mark Lowery
Representative Robin Lundstrum
Representative Karilyn Brown

Representative Marcus E. Richmond
Representative Jim Wooten
Representative Cameron Cooper

6. Parliamentarian recognizes Sergeant at Arms.
7. Certification of the election of Members of the House of Representatives and presentation of Certificate of Election by the Secretary of State, The Honorable John Thurston.
8. Parliamentarian recognizes Representative Michelle Gray for motion relative to the seating of members for Oath of Office.
9. Electronic Roll Call by the Chief Clerk of the House.
10. Parliamentarian appoints the following named Committee to notify The Honorable John Dan Kemp, Chief Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court, that the General Assembly has convened and is ready to take the Oath of Office and to escort the Justice to the Podium to administer the Oath of Office to members of the House of Representatives of the 93rd General Assembly:

Representative John Maddox, Chairperson
Representative Jimmy Gazaway
Representative Clint Penzo
Representative Mark Perry
Representative Andrew Collins

Representative Joy C. Springer
Representative Delia J. Haak
Representative Kendon Underwood

11. Parliamentarian recognizes Sergeant at Arms.
12. Seating and Oath of Office administered by The Honorable John Dan Kemp, Chief Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court.
13. Parliamentarian recognizes Representative Les Eaves for a motion relative to adoption of the temporary rules of the 93rd General Assembly.
14. Nomination and election of the Speaker of the House.
15. Parliamentarian recognizes Representative Carlton Wing to place in nomination the name of The Honorable Matthew J. Shepherd, as the Speaker of the House of Representatives for the 93rd General Assembly.
16. Parliamentarian recognizes Representative Carol Dalby to move that the nominations close.
17. Parliamentarian recognizes Representative Lee Johnson for motion that the vote of the entire membership be recorded for The Honorable Matthew J. Shepherd, as the Speaker of the House for the 93rd General Assembly.
18. The Parliamentarian declares the results of the vote for the Speaker of the House.
19. The Parliamentarian appoints the following named Committee to escort the Speaker to the Podium and notifies The Honorable Bobby E. Shepherd, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, that The Honorable Matthew J. Shepherd, is ready to take the Oath of Office as Speaker of the Arkansas House of Representatives:

Representative Charlene Fite, Chairperson
Representative David Fielding
Representative Bruce Cozart
Representative Les Eaves
Representative Nelda Speaks
Representative Frances Cavanaugh

Representative Les Warren
Representative Julie Mayberry
Representative Jamie Scott
Representative Lee Johnson

20. Parliamentarian recognizes Sergeant at Arms.
21. Oath of Office to Speaker Matthew J. Shepherd, administered by The Honorable Bobby E. Shepherd, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.
22. Presentation of the Speaker of the House, Matthew J. Shepherd, by Parliamentarian Finos "Buddy" Johnson.

23. ADDRESS OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

24. Speaker Shepherd announces the name of the Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives for the 93rd General Assembly.
25. The Honorable Bobby E. Shepherd administers the Oath of Office to the Parliamentarian.
26. Speaker Shepherd recognizes Representative DeAnn Vaught for a motion to confirm Speaker Shepherd's appointment of Ms. Sherri Stacks as the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.
27. Speaker Shepherd declares the results of the vote for the Chief Clerk of the House.
28. The Honorable Bobby E. Shepherd administers the Oath of Office to the Chief Clerk of the House.
29. Speaker Shepherd declares the seating arrangement for the 93rd General Assembly to be identical to the seat assignments on file with the Chief Clerk.
30. Speaker Shepherd recognizes Representative Carlton Wing for presentation of House Concurrent Resolution 1001, providing for a Virtual Joint Session of the House and Senate at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2021, to declare the results of certain elections, to declare ballot issue results and to hear an address by The Honorable Asa Hutchinson, Governor of the State of Arkansas.
31. Speaker Shepherd announces the name of the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives for the 93rd General Assembly.
32. Speaker Shepherd announces the names of the four (4) Assistant Speakers Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives for the 93rd General Assembly.
33. Speaker Shepherd announces the names of the Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons of the ten (10) Standing Committees of the House of Representatives for the 93rd General Assembly.
34. Speaker Shepherd announces the names of the Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons and members appointed to the Select Committees of the House of Representatives for the 93rd General Assembly.
35. Speaker Shepherd announces the names of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of and any other appointments to the Joint Legislative Auditing Committee.
36. Speaker Shepherd announces the names of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of and any other appointments to the Legislative Council.

37. Speaker Shepherd announces the names of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of and any other appointments to the Joint Budget Committee.

38. Speaker Shepherd appoints the following named Committee to notify The Honorable Asa Hutchinson, Governor of the State of Arkansas, that the House is duly organized and ready for business:

Representative Gayla Hendren McKenzie, Chairperson
Representative Reginald Murdock
Representative Fred Allen
Representative Austin McCollum
Representative Sonia Eubanks Barker

Representative Marsh Davis
Representative Stu Smith
Representative Tippi McCullough

39. Speaker Shepherd appoints the following named Committee to notify the Senate that the House is duly organized and ready for business:

Representative Jim Dotson, Chairperson
Representative Fredrick J. Love
Representative Gary Deffenbaugh
Representative David Whitaker
Representative Johnny Rye

Representative Danny Watson
Representative Cindy Crawford
Representative Denise Jones Ennett

40. Presentation of Legislative lapel pins by Speaker Shepherd.

41. Announcements.

42. Read bills that have been introduced.

43. Adjourn. (Representative Stephen Meeks)