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Speaker-elect Bowers Announces Action Against Representative David Cook

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Speaker-elect Rusty Bowers (R-25) today announced disciplinary action against Representative David Cook (R-8) as a result of his arrest for driving under the influence.

The House County Infrastructure Committee, which was to be chaired by Representative Cook, will be disbanded. The committee’s jurisdiction will be shifted to other House committees.

Representative Cook will also be removed from the House Public Safety Committee. He will remain a member of the House Natural Resources, Energy & Water Committee.

“After reading the police report, viewing the footage of the arrest, and talking to Representative Cook, I have decided it is best to disband the County Infrastructure Committee and remove Representative Cook from service on the Public Safety Committee,” said Speaker-elect Bowers. **“Representative Cook has the ability to be a talented legislator, but he clearly has some personal challenges that he needs to confront. I’m hopeful that this incident serves as a wake-up call to him and that he does the work necessary to earn back the trust of his colleagues and constituents – and he has committed to do so.”**

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