

LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
MINUTES

April 30, 2021

The Legislative Performance Audit and Oversight Committee met on Friday, April 30, 2021 at 11:00 AM via Zoom Webinar (Remote).

Members in attendance were as follows:

Rep. Lynne Ober, Chair  
Rep. Ken Weyler  
Rep. Mary Jane Wallner  
Rep. Lucy Weber  
Sen. John Reagan, Vice Chair  
Sen. Bob Giuda  
Sen. Erin Hennessey  
Sen. Lou D'Allesandro  
Sen. Jay Kahn

The meeting convened at 11:00 AM.

CHAIRMAN'S SCRIPT READ:

Representative Ober read the Chairman's Script at the start of the online meeting.

*"As Chair of the Legislative Performance Audit and Oversight Committee, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic, and in accordance with House Rule 67 and the Governor's Emergency Order #12, pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically. This is a regular meeting of the Committee."*

*"Please note that there is no physical location for members of the public to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that all Members of the Committee and selected legislative staff have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through the Zoom electronic meeting platform; and the public has access to contemporaneously listen, and, if necessary, participate in this meeting by the Zoom platform or by telephone."*

*"All necessary access information has been made available in the House and Senate Calendars, and through the electronic calendar on the General Court website. The notice for this meeting complies with House Rules and RSA 91-A. Anyone who has a problem with accessing the meeting should e-mail [nhlbao@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:nhlbao@leg.state.nh.us)."*

*"In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled. LBA staff are on the meeting assisting us. Please note that all votes taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call vote."*

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL:

Requesting that Members acknowledge their presence, state their location and if others are present, Representative Ober called the Roll of voting members.

Representative Ober - Present/at home in Hudson, alone  
Representative Weber - Present/at second home in Concord, alone  
Representative Wallner - Present/at home in Concord, alone  
Representative Weyler - Present/at home in Kingston, alone in the room  
Senator Hennessey - Present/in office at State House, alone  
Senator Reagan - Present/in his office, alone  
Senator Giuda - Present/in office at State House, alone  
Senator D'Allesandro - Present/at home in Manchester, wife is in the house  
Senator Kahn - Present/at home in Keene, wife is in the house

ROLL CALL VOTE ON ACCEPTANCE OF THE MARCH 12, 2021 MEETING MINUTES:

On a motion by Senator Hennessey, seconded by Senator Giuda, that the minutes of the March 12, 2021 meeting be accepted.

A roll call was taken, and the results were as follows:

Senator Kahn - Yes  
Senator D'Allesandro - Yes  
Senator Giuda - Yes  
Senator Reagan - Yes  
Senator Hennessey - Yes  
Representative Weyler - Yes  
Representative Wallner - Yes  
Representative Weber - Yes  
Representative Ober - Yes  
(9-Yes; 0-No)

MOTION ADOPTED.

NEW AUDIT TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

Representative Ober stated she sent out three audit topics to the Committee that morning. The topics were brought to her attention by listeners and the topics consisted of: Fixed-Wing Aircraft Program, Child Care Licensing, and Weatherization Program.

DISCUSS AUDIT TOPICS VOTED ON DURING MARCH 12, 2021 MEETING:

The Committee generally discussed and reviewed the mini scopes of each audit topic that were in the queue: 1) Mental Health Workforce Development; 2) Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services and Choices For Independence and 3) Retirement System Investments. Legislative Budget Assistant Performance Audit Supervisor, Jay Henry, stated the Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services and the Choices for Independence audit topics, previously discussed as separate topics, had been combined when written in the mini scope. After much discussion, it was agreed by the Committee that these three audit topics would be tabled.

The Committee also revisited the topic of Property Tax Exemption for Pollution Control Devices, and on a motion by Representative Weyler, seconded by Senator D'Allesandro, this audit be terminated.

A roll call was taken, and the results were as follows:

Representative Weyler - Yes  
Senator Giuda - Yes  
Senator D'Allesandro - Yes  
Senator Kahn - Yes  
Representative Weber - Yes  
Senator Hennessey - Yes  
Representative Wallner - Yes  
Representative Ober - Yes  
(8-Yes; 0-No)

MOTION ADOPTED.

IDENTIFY AND ROLL CALL VOTE ON NEW AUDIT TOPICS:

The Committee discussed and agreed to move forward with the Child Care Licensing audit.

On a motion by Senator Giuda, seconded by Senator Hennessey, the Child Care Licensing audit be accepted.

A roll call was taken, and the results were as follows:

Senator Giuda - Yes  
Senator Kahn - Yes  
Senator Hennessey - Yes  
Representative Weber - Yes  
Representative Weyler - Yes  
Representative Wallner - Yes  
Representative Ober - Yes  
(7-Yes; 0-No)

MOTION ADOPTED.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Henry notified the Committee of the need for new audit topics. The Committee discussed and seeks additional information from the LBA on two potential audit topics, weatherization program and fixed-wing aircraft program. It was agreed by the Committee members that their preference was to review a mini scope of each audit topic, provided by the LBA, for consideration at the next meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

Next meeting will be at the call of the Chair.

Senator Giuda adjourned the meeting at 12:15 PM.

  
Sen. John Reagan Vice Chair