

LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

April 4, 2011

The Legislative Performance Audit and Oversight Committee met on Monday April 4, 2011 at 1:00 PM in Room 212 of the Legislative Office Building.

Members in attendance were as follows:

Senator Peter Bragdon
Senator Jack Barnes
Representative John Reagan
Representative Marshall Quandt
Representative Patricia Dowling
Representative Laurie Harding

Representative John Reagan called the meeting to order.

ORGANIZATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

On a motion by Representative Quandt, seconded by Senator Barnes, that Senator Bragdon be elected Committee Chairman. MOTION ADOPTED

On a motion by Senator Barnes, seconded by Representative Quandt, that Representative Reagan be elected Committee Clerk. MOTION ADOPTED

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Representative Reagan, seconded by Representative Harding, that the minutes of the March 4, 2010 meeting be accepted as written. MOTION ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION OF ONGOING AND PENDING PERFORMANCE AUDITS:

Richard Mahoney, Director of Audits, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, briefed the Committee and responded to questions regarding ongoing performance audits of the State Police Forensic Laboratory and Self-Insured Employee and Retiree Health Benefit Program.

Mr. Mahoney also discussed and responded to questions regarding the performance audit of the Department of Revenue Administration, Uncollected State Taxes, from which the Audit Division withdrew due to concerns by the Department about the confidentiality of their information. Mr. Mahoney also briefed the Committee on the status of House Bill 579 to permit the LBA access to those confidential records.

Mr. Mahoney also discussed the pending performance audit of the Public Utilities Commission.

Mr. Mahoney briefed the Committee and responded to questions regarding House Bill 614, calling for a performance audit of the Guardian Ad Litem Board.

DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL AUDIT TOPICS:

The Committee received a copy of the list of potential audit topics maintained by the Audit Division and discussed methods for receiving recommendations for audits, including posting notices in the House and Senate Calendars. Chairman Bragdon requested Committee members review the list and other audit topics prior to the next Committee meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Representative Quandt, seconded by Senator Barnes, that the Committee adjourn and the next meeting be scheduled for June 6, 2011 at 1:00 PM in LOB 212. MOTION ADOPTED

Representative John Reagan, Clerk