

LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

February 22, 2013

The Legislative Performance Audit and Oversight Committee met on Friday, February 22, 2013 at 1:30 PM in Room 212 of the Legislative Office Building.

Members in attendance were as follows:

Rep. Lucy Weber (Chair)
Rep. Carol McGuire
Rep. Lynne Ober
Rep. Raymond Gagnon
Rep. Laurie Harding
Sen. President Peter Bragdon
Sen. John Reagan

The meeting convened at 1:30 PM.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Senator Bragdon, seconded by Senator Reagan, that the minutes of the October 2, 2012 meeting be accepted as written.

MOTION ADOPTED.

ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMITTEE

On a motion by Representative Harding, seconded by Representative Ober, that Representative Weber be Committee Chairman.

MOTION ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION OF ONGOING AND PENDING PERFORMANCE AUDITS:

Richard Mahoney, Audit Division Director, briefed the Committee and responded to questions regarding ongoing performance audits.

Mr. Mahoney informed the Committee the Juvenile Justice audit report had been completed. The report was anticipated to be presented to the joint Legislative Fiscal Committee at its March 8, 2012 meeting.

Mr. Mahoney also informed the Committee the Employees versus Contractors audit report had been completed. The report was anticipated to be presented to the joint Legislative Fiscal Committee at its March 8, 2012 meeting.

Mr. Mahoney informed the Committee of two audits currently in process. Those audits were the Department of Revenue Administration and the Division of Motor Vehicles. The scope for the Department of Revenue Administration audit had been amended and the Committee's approval of the scope statements for both audits was on today's agenda.

Mr. Mahoney also informed the Committee that the audit of the Controlled Drug Prescription Health and Safety program is anticipated to begin in the middle of 2014.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF SCOPE STATEMENT FOR 1) THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION, UNCOLLECTED STATE TAXES AND 2) DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES, CUSTOMER SERVICE:

Stephen Fox, Performance Audit Supervisor, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, presented the proposed amended scope statement for the Department of Revenue Administration performance audit and responded to questions from the Committee.

On a motion by Senator Bragdon, seconded by Senator Reagan, that the proposed amended scope statement be approved.
MOTION ADOPTED.

Mr. Fox presented the proposed scope statement for the Division of Motor Vehicles audit and responded to questions from the Committee. The Committee recommended the audit be completed as quickly as possible in light of the many positive comments Committee members reported receiving about the Division.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Senator Bragdon, that the proposed scope statement be approved.
MOTION ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL AUDIT TOPICS:

Representative Weber led the Committee in a discussion of potential performance audit topics. Mr. Mahoney proposed that six audit topics be approved. The Committee discussed several of the potential performance audit topics from the list developed by the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, Audit Division. Other potential topics were also discussed briefly.

Without objection, the consensus of the Committee was that six audit topics be presented to the Fiscal Committee for its approval:

1. Department of Corrections, Division of Community Corrections
2. Department of Health and Human Services, Assisted Living and Nursing Facility Inspections
3. Department of Health and Human Services, Electronic Benefit Transfer Cards
4. Department of Resources and Economic Development, Economic Development Programs.
5. Police Standards and Training Council, the Council in Performance of its Charter.
6. Community Development Finance Authority, Program Results.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Senator Bragdon, seconded by Senator Reagan, that the Committee be adjourned. MOTION ADOPTED.

Next meeting to be at the call of the Chairman.

Representative Weber adjourned the Committee at 3:22 PM.

Committee Chairman