LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES

February 29, 2016

The Legislative Performance Audit and Oversight Committee met on Monday, February 29, 2016 at 1:00 PM in Room 212 of the Legislative Office Building.

Members in attendance were as follows:

Sen. John Reagan (Chair)

Sen. Jerry Little

Rep. Lucy Weber

Rep. Richard Barry

Rep. Raymond Gagnon

Rep. Laurie Sanborn

The meeting convened at 1:02 PM.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Senator Little, seconded by Representative Gagnon, that the minutes of the November 5, 2015 meeting be accepted.

MOTION ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION OF ONGOING AND PENDING PERFORMANCE AUDITS:

Stephen Smith, Audit Division Director, informed the Committee the audit report for the Bureau of Developmental Services had been completed and accepted by the Fiscal Committee since the LPAOC's previous meeting.

Mr. Smith informed the Committee of two audits currently in process: Consolidation of Certain Business Processing Functions at the Department of Administrative Services, and WorkReadyNH. The fieldwork for the Consolidation of Certain Business Processing Functions at the Department of Administrative Services audit had been completed and the report drafted. Fieldwork had also been completed on the WorkReadyNH audit and Observations were being drafted.

Mr. Smith informed the Committee the entrance conference for the Department of Transportation, Bridge Maintenance audit had been held on January 14, 2016. The entrance conference for the Department of Safety, Homeland Security and Emergency Management audit had been held on February 9, 2016. No work has yet begun on the remaining audits in the queue: the Department of Information Technology; the Department of Environmental Services, Air Division; and the Controlled Drug Prescription Health and Safety Program. This last audit will not be started until 2017 per legislation requiring its deadline.

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED SCOPE STATEMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE PERFORMANCE AUDIT:

Stephen Fox, Performance Audit Supervisor, presented the proposed scope statement for the Department of Transportation, Bridge Maintenance performance audit, and responded to questions from the Committee regarding the scope statement.

On a motion by Representative Weber, seconded by Senator Little, that the Scope Statement be accepted.

MOTION ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL AUDIT TOPICS:

The Committee discussed new potential audit topics. Representative Weber spoke to a request from Representative Rosenwald regarding an audit of the Board of Naturopaths.

On a motion by Representative Weber, seconded by Representative Gagnon that the Audit Division conduct a performance audit of the Board of Naturopathic Examiners.

MOTION ADOPTED.

Representative Peter Hansen presented a request from the Chairman of the House ED&A Committee for a performance audit of the Realtors Board.

On a motion by Representative Barry, seconded by Representatives Sanborn and Gagnon, that the Audit Division conduct a performance audit the Board of Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons.

MOTION ADOPTED.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

Next meeting will be at the call of the Chairman.

Senator Reagan adjourned the Committee at 1:38 PM.

John Reagan, Committee Chairman