LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES May 6, 2013

The Legislative Performance Audit and Oversight Committee met on Monday, May 22, 2013 at 10:00 AM 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. Sylvia Larsen

Sen. Lou D'Allesandro

Sen. John Reagan

The meeting convened at 10:00 AM.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Senator Reagan, seconded by Representative McGuire, that the minutes of the February 22, 2013 meeting be accepted as written. 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 Department of Revenue Administration audit was currently in field work and anticipated to be presented to the joint Legislative Fiscal Committee at its June meeting.

Mr. Mahoney informed the Committee the Department of Health and Human Services, Electronic Benefits Cards audit was also in field work and anticipated to be presented to the joint Legislative Fiscal Committee at its August meeting.

Regarding upcoming audits, Mr. Mahoney reminded the Committee it had left the Audit Division to decide the priority of pending audits. Mr. Mahoney informed the Committee the next audits to be conducted would be the Department of Corrections, Division of Community Corrections and the Community Development Finance Authority, and each of them would begin during the months of June and July. These audits would be followed by audits of the Department of Health and Human Services, Assisted Living and Nursing Facility Inspections; and the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Economic Development Programs;

while the Board of Pharmacy, Controlled Drug, Prescription, and Safety Program audit may have a revised due date of December 31, 2017 as a result of pending legislation.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF SCOPE STATEMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERIVCES, EBT CARDS:

Stephen Fox, Performance Audit Supervisor, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, presented the proposed scope statement for the Department of Health and Human Services, Electronic Benefits Cards performance audit and responded to questions from the Committee.

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

DISCUSSION OF PROPPOSED AUDIT OF POLICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING COUNCIL:

The Committee heard testimony from Representatives Peter Hansen and Dan Eaton, as well as comments from Representatives Ober and McGuire and Senators D'Allesandro and Larsen regarding the proposed performance audit of the Police Standards and Training Council. The Committee also heard testimony from members of law enforcement in New Hampshire, who also responded to questions from the Committee.

On a motion by Representative Ober, seconded by Representative McGuire, that the Committee delay any action on the audit until receiving clarification from the Attorney General's Office regarding charging agencies for performance audit costs. MOTION ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

On a motion by Senator D'Allesandro, seconded by Representative McGuire that discussion and consideration of the audit be tabled. MOTION ADOPTED.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

Chairwoman Weber adjourned the Committee at 11:44 AM.

Next meeting to be at the call of the Chairman.

Lucy McVitty Weber, Committee Chair