

LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

October 2, 2012

The Legislative Performance Audit and Oversight Committee met on Tuesday October 2, 2012 at 1:30 PM in Room 212 of the Legislative Office Building.

Members in attendance were as follows:

Senator Peter Bragdon (Chairman)
Senator Sylvia Larsen
Senator Lou D'Allesandro
Representative John Reagan
Representative Patricia Dowling
Representative Marshall Quandt
Representative Laurie Harding
Representative Robert Foose

Senator Bragdon called the meeting to order at 1:38 PM.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

On a motion by Senator Larsen, seconded by Senator D'Allesandro, that the minutes of the June 27, 2012 meeting be accepted as written.

MOTION ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION OF ONGOING AND PENDING PERFORMANCE AUDITS:

Stephen Fox, Performance Audit Supervisor, Office of Legislative Budget Assistant, briefed the Committee and responded to questions regarding ongoing performance audits. Mr. Fox informed the Committee the Department of Corrections Security Staffing audit report had been drafted and the Audit Division was awaiting an exit conference with the Department. The report was anticipated to be presented to the joint Legislative Fiscal Committee at its October 26, 2012 meeting.

Mr. Fox also informed the Committee the Department of Corrections Non-Security Staffing audit report had been drafted and the Audit Division was awaiting an exit conference with the Department. The report was anticipated to be presented to the joint Legislative Fiscal Committee at its October 26, 2012 meeting.

Mr. Fox also informed the Committee the beginning of the performance audit of the Department of Revenue Administration, Uncollected State Taxes, would likely continue to be delayed until December or January 2013.

Mr. Fox informed the Committee the Audit Division had held an entrance conference with the Department of Health and Human Services for the

Juvenile Justice performance audit. The Committee's approval of the scope statement is on the agenda for today's meeting.

Mr. Fox informed the Committee the Audit Division had held an entrance conference with the Department of Administrative Services for the Employees v. Contractors performance audit. The Committee's approval of the scope statement is on the agenda for today's meeting.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF SCOPE STATEMENT FOR 1) STATE DECISIONS TO HIRE OR CONTRACT AND 2) JUVENILE JUSTICE:

Mr. Fox presented the proposed scope statement for the Employees v. Contractors performance audit and responded to questions from the Committee. The Committee recommended the audit scope be broadened to include large contracts issued by the Department of Transportation.

On a motion by Representative Dowling, seconded by Representative Foose, that the proposed scope statement be approved with amendment. MOTION ADOPTED.

Mr. Fox presented the proposed scope statement for the Juvenile Justice performance audit and responded to questions from the Committee. The Committee recommended additional input from major school districts regarding changes to the CHINS program.

On a motion by Senator D'Allesandro, seconded by Representative Reagan, that the proposed scope statement be approved with amendment. MOTION ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL AUDIT TOPICS:

Senator Bragdon led the Committee in a discussion of potential performance audit topics. Following additional discussion related to the timing of the DRA performance audit, the Committee discussed the audit of the Division of Motor Vehicles. Other potential topics were discussed briefly.

Without objection from the Committee, Senator Bragdon recommended the Audit Division conduct an audit of the Division of Motor Vehicles and recommend it to the Fiscal Committee.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Representative Quandt, seconded by Senator D'Allesandro, that the Committee be adjourned. MOTION ADOPTED.

Senator Bragdon adjourned the Committee at 2:27 PM.

Committee Clerk